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THE FUTURE OF CPMR

Enclosed are the papers prepared for the process;

- ❖ A background paper adopted by the CPMR Political Bureau in Sevilla 19 January 2008.
- ❖ **FUTURE OF CPMR ENQUIRY**, Paper prepared by Jean-Didier Hache in cooperation with the Geographical Commissions' Executive Secretaries.

This issue will be presented and discussed at the meeting 3 April 2008. Jean-Didier Hache is responsible in the CPMR Secretariat for preparing the final paper on the future of CPMR.

The activities for the process is planned as follows;

January 2008	CPMR Political Bureau, Séville. Decision to undertake an enquire into the future of CPMR.
February 2008	5th - Drafting of enquiry procedure by Executive-Secretaries Validation of procedure by email by Political Bureau Members.
STAGE 1	
March 2008	Start of interviews process Start of analytical study & background paper.
April 2008	3-4 th NSC ExCom, Vastra Gotaland 7 th – Meeting with CPMR Administrative Council 10-11 th IC annual Conference, Mallorca.
Mai 2008	
June 2008	12-13 th BSC-NSC Joint annual conference 12-13 th AA Annual Conference 23-24 th IMC annual meeting, Marseille 26thBBSC annual Conference, Rhodes 27 th CPMR Political Bureau Rhodes. Presentation of paper and report of debates and interviews to PB. Validation of Stage 1
STAGE 2	
July 2008	Drafting of scenarios and questionnaire.
August	Consultation sent to members by email
September 2008	Mid –September: end of consultation
October 2008	1-3rd CPMR General Assembly, Aquitaine. Presentation of enquiry conclusions. General debate.
November	Drafting of a synthesis position paper, or of different options. Circulation of these papers to members.
December 2008	
January 2009	
February 2009	Decision by CPMR Political Bureau. Start of recruiting procedure for future Secretary-General

The CPMR Political Bureau wants a thorough process and aims to involve the member regions, the Geographical Commission and external key persons to give their view of



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CPMR today and what CPMR should focus on for the future.

The issue will be discussed at the General Assembly in June and NSC will give our input to the process at that point.

All members will be given the opportunity to give their view in during July and August by answering a questionnaire.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 1. For discussion and information***



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