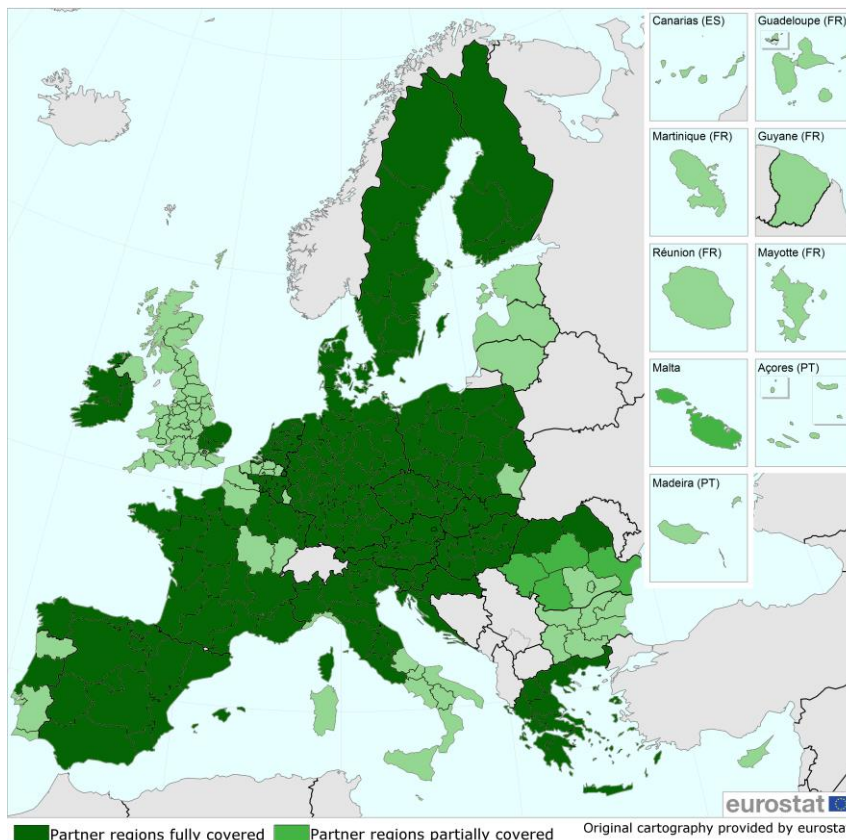


# BOOK OF SIGNATURES

## 337 SIGNATURES

188 NUTS 2 regions

Representing 68,1% of all 276 NUTS 2 regions and  
71,5% of the total EU population



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### A STRONG RENEWED REGIONAL POLICY FOR ALL REGIONS POST 2020

*"We, Regions and local entities of Europe, are responsible for the design and implementation of development strategies, for providing services to our citizens and for carrying out the necessary reforms to prepare our territories for the future. While deeply attached to the fundamental principles of EU Regional policy, we believe that there is still a long way to go to achieve economic, social and territorial cohesion in Europe. These goals remain more relevant than ever, given the crises that threaten the very heart of the European Project.*

*We are, and wish to remain, key partners of the European institutions and to be closely associated in the preparation of a renewed Regional policy that responds to the main challenges Europe faces today and into the future. We, Regions and local entities of Europe, are thus ready to contribute to the re-shaping of the post-2020 European Regional Policy. We are committed to provide concrete and innovative contributions on the various elements of the debate, including simplification, flexibility, results-based performance assessment and the link with the European semester."*

**For these reasons, we, the undersigned regions, have adopted the following declaration:**