

Conclusions of the Rome European Council: excerpt on the consultation of local and regional authorities (14 and 15 December 1990)

Caption: Excerpt from the Conclusions of the Presidency of the Rome European Council (14 and 15 December 1990).

In the context of the preparatory work for the Intergovernmental Conference on Political Union, the consultation of local and regional authorities is a question of particular importance for some Member States.

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Rome European Council (14 and 15 December 1990) Conclusions of the Presidency

[...] The European Council notes with satisfaction all the preparatory work which is to serve as a basis for the Intergovernmental Conference on Political Union.

The Union will be based on the solidarity of its Member States, the fullest realization of its citizens' aspirations, economic and social cohesion, proper balance between the responsibilities of the individual States and the Community and between the roles of the institutions, coherence of the overall external action of the Community in the framework of its foreign, security, economic and development policies and of its efforts to eliminate racial discrimination and xenophobia in order to ensure respect for human dignity.

Without prejudice to other subjects raised by Governments or by the Commission in the preparatory work, the European Council asks the Conference to give particular attention to the following:

Democratic legitimacy

[...]

The European Council notes the particular importance which some Member States attach to:

- (i) the adoption of arrangements that take account of the special competence of regional or local institutions as regards certain Community policies;
- (ii) the need to consider suitable procedures for the consultation of such institutions.

[...]