



## European Association of State Territorial Representatives (EASTR)

30 years of experience serving the challenges of the  
State in European territories



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# A European Association

EASTR allows territorial representatives of the State in Europe (EU and non-EU) to exchange their professional experiences in a unique setting.

## Objective

Allow STRs to share their professional experiences in a unique setting in Europe.

## Dialogue agora

A space for dialogue between STRs, to appreciate their role as a "center-periphery" relay and to work towards social cohesion.

## Formation & Practices

Communal and ongoing training: mutual understanding of administrative cultures, promotion of collective intelligence.

## European policies

Exchanges contribute to a better implementation of European policies and regulations in the territories.

## EASTR offers

- An opportunity for contacts and exchanges unmatched in Europe
- A better mutual understanding of administrative cultures
- A dissemination of best practices in light of European law
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- The promotion of collective intelligence and collaboration
- Syntheses and publications



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## A unique expertise for over thirty years

Insights and analyses on the role of STRs from various thematic perspectives.

### Civil protection

The role of the STR in managing civil security crises and protecting populations.

### Catastrophes

Prevention, response, and recovery in the face of natural disasters (floods, fires, storms).

### Threats & Security

Security and energy, terrorism, cyberattacks, and emerging risks.

## The benefits of EASTR

- Share operational responses (what works / what fails)
- Compare institutional frameworks without wasting time on theory
- Build trust among European counterparts
- Supporting decisions with documented experience

# The European STR Days (JERTE)

Organized every spring, the JERTE increase contacts between STRs and help to better understand the complex challenges.

## Objective

Analyze the immediate concerns of the members and share concrete, field-applicable responses.

## Participants

European STRs, with the support of experts, academics, and central administration leaders.

## On the agenda (example)

- Targeted interventions
- Peer workshops
- Field visits
- Summary & follow-ups

## Latest themes

The themes are chosen with the members, based on urgencies and institutional developments.

2026 — Resilience and Vulnerability of Populations

2025 — STRs and Sustainable Development

2024 — Natural Disasters

2023 — Consequences of the War in Ukraine

2021 — COVID-19 Crisis & Heritage Protection

## Frequently Explored Axes

### Civil protection

Crisis management, multi-stakeholder coordination, service continuity.

### Natural catastrophes

Prevention, response, recovery: floods, fires, storms.

### Security & citizens

Security and energy, threats, terrorism, cyberattacks.

### Hybrid threats

Resilience, cybersecurity, protection of critical infrastructure, information management.

### Social cohesion

Trust, tensions, mediation, daily security, institutional proximity.

### Data & Innovation

Smart regions, data usage, AI, digital governance, and public ethics.

Various themes, closely aligned with the responsibilities of STRs.

## Would you like to suggest a theme?

The secretariat gathers the members' priorities and creates a short, concrete, and solution-oriented program.



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## What EASTR provides

An association at the service of its members: training, best practices, and collective intelligence.

### Communal training

A better mutual understanding of administrative cultures and ongoing training of STRs.

### Best practices

Concrete comparisons, dissemination of useful practices adapted to European frameworks.

### Collaboration

Collaboration among senior officials from various countries, a network that can be mobilized according to the subjects.

## Why this matters for an STR:

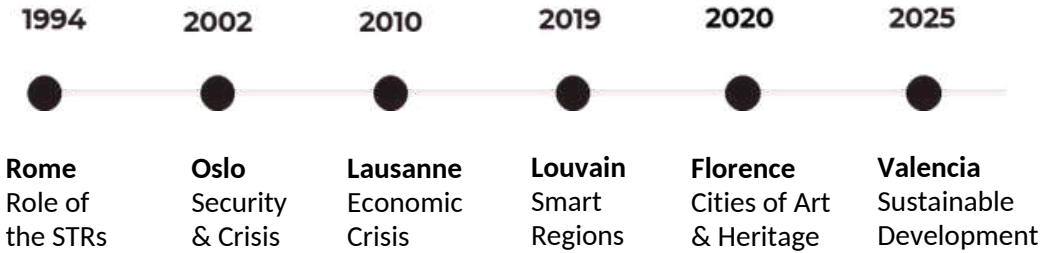
- You save time: you compare solutions already tested elsewhere.
- You secure your decisions: you have European perspectives and on-the-ground feedback.
- You expand your capacity for action: the network quickly mobilizes on an urgent issue.
- You enhance the ongoing training of your teams (managers, crisis units, etc.).



Izmir, Turkey - 2024

# 30 years and 6 milestones

An expertise accumulated on the complex subjects of the territorial role.



## Complete List of Themes (1994–2026)

Scan to access the full list of European Days and the associated publications.



The work resulting from the JERTE is published in various journals or books.



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## Member countries

Current network (14 countries)

Albania  
Belgium  
Finland  
France  
Germany  
Hungary  
Italy  
Morroco  
Norway  
Poland  
Spain  
Switzerland  
The Netherlands  
Turkey



### Do you represent another country?

Please contact the secretariat to discuss  
membership and participation in JERTE.



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