

The Secretary General

## Council of European Municipalities and Regions European Section of United Cities and Local Governments

## **CIRCULAR LETTER No 6**

To the Secretaries General and Directors of the national associations and associate members

Brussels, 3 May 2016

Re: Dissemination of CEMR's Call for a Common European Asylum Policy

Dear Colleagues,

In Nicosia, the Policy Committee approved the Call for a Real Common Asylum Policy enclosed. We wish to use this momentum to boost our political influence on this matter towards decision-makers, both at national and European levels. To ensure this, we need your help and support in order to gain greater visibility and recognition for our position.

CEMR will launch a media campaign at European level showing the endorsement of the call by a first group of European local and regional leaders and mayors, including the presidents of our member associations who adopted the text in Nicosia. We will invite those who wish to, to further promote this campaign in their own country.

CEMR Secretariat is currently preparing a list of Mayors and Leaders to be invited to sign the Call and will come back to each of you with those proposals. In addition, we are planning a translation of the Call into several languages.

More information can be provided by CEMR's policy officer on Governance and Citizenship, Mr Carlos Mascarell Vilar (email: carlos.mascarellvilar@ccre-cemr.org; Tel.: +32 2 500 05 44).

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