

EuroGeographics Appoints New Secretary General



EuroGeographics has announced European Affairs Advisor Lela Bodossian as its new Secretary-General and Executive Director. In addition to a passion for geography, Bodossian brings high-level representation, communication and management skills to the Brussels-based membership association for European National Mapping, Cadastral and Land Registration Authorities. Her previous roles include Secretary-General of the Airport Regions Council and a number of positions within the European Commission and Parliament.

Commenting on her appointment, Bodossian said: "Official national geospatial data and cadastral services provided by members of EuroGeographics are a fundamental part of our everyday lives – whether or not we realize it."

"For example, they are currently supporting national responses to the global pandemic by delivering up to date, accurate data and expertise for government management and monitoring of COVID-19. We need to ensure these valuable contributions are widely recognized and understood so that all areas of society can benefit fully from our members' activities and expertise."

Delivering better data for better lives

"As a geographer and a lover of maps, it is of course an honour to join EuroGeographics, which enables the connection between maps, people and policies in Europe and beyond. I am, however, also thrilled to be part of an association which has a strong culture of collaboration and cooperation at its heart. In these uncertain and rapidly changing times, this unity is key to raising awareness among politicians and policymakers of our members' collective value in delivering better data for better lives."

President of EuroGeographics, Colin Bray added: "We are delighted to welcome Léa to head up our Association. We know that her extensive experience in successfully securing EU grants and delivering projects, as well as contributing to consultations and expert groups, and participating in hearings and meetings at the European Parliament, will help to ensure our members' roles, capabilities and concerns continue to be understood across the world."

Léa Bodossian succeeds Mick Cory who is retiring after leading EuroGeographics since 2015.

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