



Le Médiateur

Namur, 5 octobre 2012

Madam, Sir, Dear colleague,

Since this September 1st, 2012, the Ombudsman of the Walloon Region and the Ombudsman of the French Community gave way to the Ombudsman common to the French Community and to the Walloon Region.

Indeed, the Parliament of the Federation Wallonia-Brussels and the Walloon Parliament, gathered in plenary session respectively on July 12th and 18th of this year, appointed me to the mandate of Ombudsman to the Wallonia and to the Federation Wallonia-Brussels, from September 1st, 2012.

The taking office of the new common Ombudsman is the realization of an agreement of cooperation between the Walloon Region and the French Community of February 03rd, 2011 approved by decree of the French Community of March 17th, 2011 and by decree of the Walloon Region of March 31st, 2011. The complete integration of both services in a new Service of the common Ombudsman will become reality in the next months.

As my predecessors, I am convinced of the importance to weave reliable links with the various partners, in this included with the colleagues Ombudsmen, in particular through the various networks (AOMF, IOI, EOI, Big Region), without forgetting the strengthening of the bilateral relations between our institutions. Numerous challenges are and will be to recover in the next months and years. It is together that will reach us there.

Thank you for the interest which you will carry in the present and looking forward to the pleasure to meet you.

Best regards,

Marc BERTRAND