

**COUNCIL DECISION****of 22 October 2012****appointing an Austrian member and an Austrian alternate member of the Committee of the Regions**

(2012/657/EU)

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1*

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 305 thereof,

The following are hereby appointed to the Committee of the Regions for the remainder of the current term of office, which runs until 25 January 2015:

Having regard to the proposal of the Austrian Government,

(a) as member:

— Mr Hannes WENINGER, *Geschäftsführender Gemeinderat und Abgeordneter zum Nationalrat*;

Whereas:

and

(1) On 22 December 2009 and on 18 January 2010, the Council adopted Decisions 2009/1014/EU <sup>(1)</sup> and 2010/29/EU <sup>(2)</sup> appointing the members and alternate members of the Committee of the Regions for the period from 26 January 2010 to 25 January 2015.

(b) as alternate member:

— Mr Markus LINHART, *Bürgermeister*.*Article 2*

This Decision shall enter into force on the day of its adoption.

(2) A member's seat on the Committee of the Regions has become vacant following the end of the term of office of Mr Markus LINHART.

Done at Luxembourg, 22 October 2012.

(3) An alternate member's seat will become vacant following the appointment of Mr Hannes WENINGER as member of the Committee of the Regions,

*For the Council*  
*The President*  
S. ALETRARIS

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 348, 29.12.2009, p. 22.

<sup>(2)</sup> OJ L 12, 19.1.2010, p. 11.