
« Transborder Cooperation Should Be Developed Between Armenia And Georgia », Chairman Of Communities Association Of Armenian Believes

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YEREVAN, OCTOBER 22, NOYAN TAPAN. The international workshop titled "Euroregio as a modern instrument of transborder cooperation" started in Yerevan on October 22 on the initiative of the Communities Association of Armenia and the "OST-EURO" German organization, as well as with the financial assistance of the Ministry of Economic Affairs of Germany.

According to the information provided to a Noyan Tapan correspondent by Emin Yeritsian, the Chairman of the Communities Association of Armenia, the goal of the event is to establish a transborder cooperation between Armenia and Georgia: through creating "Euroregios", based on the example of the experience of other countries. He declared that at present such a practice is being applied in the Western Europe, where two different border structures (office-organizations) under the title "Euroregio" unite, create one juridical person and solve a number of issues of the region of social, ecological, and economical character.

According to Emin Yeritsian, the approval of the higher authorities of the country is not so decisive in respect of such a cooperation: the role of self-governmental bodies is great. It was mentioned that all the countries, which have signed the "Transborder Cooperation Charter" of the Council of Europe allow their self-governmental bodies to create "Euroregio". In the conviction of the Chairman of the Association, since a transborder cooperation can be developed even in case of absence of interstate relations, it is not excluded that in case of establishing Euroregios with Georgia, border structures of Armenia will take similar steps in the direction of cooperating with Turkey and Azerbaijan as well.
