

Sustainable, integrated urban and territorial development and Multilevel collaboration

in development cooperation towards 2030

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Why?

- **Cities as innovation hubs – for centuries**

Multilevel collaboration to turn diplomacy into action

- **Seizing the opportunity of the Urban World**

Impact and spill-over effect beyond SDG11

- **Responding to climate change – biggest driver**

Transformation to low-carbon, high-resilient civilization



Transforming the Urban World towards Sustainability



ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability (ICLEI) is the leading global network cities, towns and regions, committed to building a sustainable future.



Over 300 staff in 22 offices around the globe

1750+
cities, town
and regions

active in
124+
countries

> 25%
of urban
population
globally
impacted



ICLEI Montreal Strategy 2018-2024

5 Pathways to Sustainability



HOW TO ACHIEVE CLIMATE NEUTRALITY





CitiesWithNature



Ambitious City
Promises



GreenClimateCities



EcoMobility Alliance



Sustainable Public
Procurement



100%RE Cities &
Regions



Front-Line Cities and
Islands



Urban Transitions
Alliance



CITYFOOD

Introducing the Urban-LEDS II project

- **Duration:** April 2017 – March 2021
- **Target countries:**
 - Brazil, India, Indonesia, South Africa (from Phase I)
 - Bangladesh, Colombia, Lao PDR, and Rwanda
 - Supported by 16 European cities
- **Budget:** €8M.
- **Joint implementation**
by UN-Habitat and ICLEI





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The Hague, 14 March 2016

Subject: Capacity building under the Convention and under the Kyoto Protocol:

Promoting Low Emission Urban Development Strategies in Emerging Economy Countries (URBAN-LEDs)

Donor: European Commission

Recipient countries/region: Brazil, India, Indonesia, South-Africa

The Urban-LEDs project has the objective of enhancing the transition to low emission urban development in emerging economy countries by offering selected local governments a comprehensive methodological framework (the GreenClimateCities methodology) to integrate low-carbon strategies into all sectors of urban planning and development. It offers tailor-made training to local governments, organizes study tours, workshops and seminars. Through its HEAT+ greenhouse gas emissions quantification and monitoring software and a pool of experts, it ensures appropriate verification processes are established (MRV).

The project is implemented by UN-HABITAT + ICLEI.



Talanoa Dialogues



CITIES & REGIONS
TALANOA DIALOGUES

step forward for multilevel climate action

Talanoa Dialogue is an opportunity fix-and-lift Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) and make-them-fit for Paris Agreement by;

- *bridging sustainable urban development with climate action and*
- *engaging all levels of governments.*



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1. 54 sessions are scheduled, 44 confirmed, 10 tbc, 10 in Sept-Nov.
2. Sessions are taking place in 36 countries, ~ 75% in the Global South.
3. [2nd URBANET Article](#): Highlights from Togo, the Philippines, Indonesia, South Africa and Ecuador on urban-climate synergy, multilevel governance and institutional frameworks
4. Capturing Outcomes
 1. Submission by 29 October 2018;
 1. Where are we? mobilization in numbers
 2. Where do we want to go? Key commitments and announcements
 3. How do we get there? Initiatives towards 2nd NDCs in 2020 and Climate Neutrality by 2050
 2. Report at COP24
 3. Communique announced on 10 December as input to the Political Phase on 11 and 12 December at the COP24 High Level Segment



Things to consider for DEVCO 2021-2027

- The implementation phase of 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
- IPCC highlights the next decade as critical for the success of 1.5oC
- By 2020, nations are expected to submit their 2nd plans (NDCs) for the Paris Climate Agreement, expected to have more integration with urban development as well as engaging all levels of governments – ***lock-in/out effect!***
- CitiesIPCC; First phase of global research and innovation agenda for cities towards IPCC Special Report on Cities in 2023
- 2nd phase of Biodiversity Action Plan for Cities and Other Subnational Governments expected in 2020
- UN Development System reform – more emphasize on Country Level Strategies and engaging with national partners
- 2020; G20: S. Arabia – G7:USA – EU:Croatia-Germany
- 2019; European Parliament

