



EUROPEAN UNION



EU MISSIONS

100 CLIMATE-NEUTRAL AND SMART CITIES



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CITIES ON A JOURNEY TO CLIMATE NEUTRALITY

OBJECTIVES OF THE EU CITIES MISSION

- 100 **climate-neutral** and **smart cities** by 2030
- Ensure that these cities act as **experimentation and innovation hubs** to put all European cities in a position to become climate neutral by 2050

SELECTED CITIES

100 EU cities

12 cities from Horizon Europe associated countries



Cities from every Member State



Capital cities



Small, medium, large cities



Frontrunners and less prepared cities

BENEFITS FOR CITIES

- **Being part of a powerful community of ambitious cities**, which fosters learning and exchange of experiences
- **Enhanced development of local cross-sectoral net-zero solutions**, through tailored advice and assistance from a Mission Platform
- **Attracting investments** from EU and national programmes, as well as private investors, including Research & Innovation funding opportunities
- **Engagement with national governments** through national coordination networks
- **Boosted support from citizens and local communities** through citizen and stakeholder involvement
- **Higher visibility** and political profile, attractiveness for skilled workers, and international outreach

EU CITIES



THE CLIMATE CITY CONTRACTS



All Mission Cities develop a **Climate City Contract (CCC)**



CCCs are tools for cities to **plan and implement concrete actions** in a collaborative way to **reach climate neutrality by 2030**



Through CCCs, cities **deliver on the Mission's objectives by engaging with citizens and partners** at the local, national and EU level



Cities whose CCCs are reviewed positively by the Commission will be awarded with **the EU Mission Label acknowledging the quality of the CCC process and the commitments** made by the city



The Mission Label is intended to **facilitate access to further funding and finance** at EU, national and regional level, and in particular to private investment



GET INVOLVED IN YOUR CITY'S JOURNEY TO CLIMATE NEUTRALITY:

ARE YOU A PUBLIC AUTHORITY?

- ✓ Offer financial and regulatory support to your city
- ✓ Support the coordination with related initiatives and funding streams at national, regional and local level
- ✓ Get involved in the co-creation and implementation of your city's CCC and support its climate neutrality projects

DO YOU LIVE IN A MISSION CITY?

- ✓ Participate in the co-creation of your city's CCC to have a concrete impact on your city's future
- ✓ Join the journey to climate neutrality and contribute to make your city a better place to live in for everyone, with cleaner air, safer streets and greener spaces

ARE YOU A LOCAL BUSINESS?

- ✓ Help make your city a more attractive place for your employees and work towards your own climate objectives
- ✓ Get involved in the co-creation and implementation of your city's CCC and participate in projects on topics such as stationary energy, sustainable transport, and industrial processes

ARE YOU AN INVESTOR?

- ✓ Speak to your city about your interests in investment and help align public resources with private capital
- ✓ Invest in certified climate-neutral solutions that are part of your city's CCC and pursue environmental, social and economic opportunities

ARE YOU A CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATION?

- ✓ Support your city with your organisation's expertise and contacts
- ✓ Create synergies between the objectives of your organisation and your city's plan to achieve climate neutrality

Learn more

[EU's Climate-Neutral and Smart Cities mission](#)

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