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Climate Alliance

Europe's largest city network backs more ambitious climate action

Climate Alliance members adopt visionary charter

Frankfurt am Main, 9 September 2021. Municipalities from across Europe have renewed and reaffirmed their commitment to ambitious climate action at the local level. Climate Alliance members adopted the city network's new charter yesterday at their annual general assembly. The charter shows how equitable climate protection must look on the local level. It also opens up a target range with which municipalities can aim for more ambitious emissions reductions in the future.

"Be it flood disasters, extreme heat or the latest report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) – the events of recent months have made it clear how important ambitious climate action is. Acting now is essential, but what that action looks like is at least as important. The adoption of the charter is a milestone for our network and a big step towards the future", comments Andreas Wolter, President of Climate Alliance and Mayor of the City of Cologne, Germany.

The member charter points out the importance of asking how we should fight global heating. From climate neutrality to 100% renewable energy to the introduction of a carbon price – with the charter, Climate Alliance provides its members with concrete recommendations for the promotion of a sustainable and just transformation at the local level.

Climate Alliance has been committed to local climate action for more than 30 years. With over 1,800 members, it is the largest European network of municipalities committed to comprehensive and equitable climate action, paring local approaches with global responsibility.

FURTHER INFORMATION

- Climate Alliance Charter ([DE](#) | [EN](#))
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THE CLIMATE ALLIANCE

For over 30 years, Climate Alliance member municipalities have been acting in partnership with indigenous rainforest peoples for the benefit of the global climate. With more than 1,800 members spread across 27 European countries, Climate Alliance is the world's largest city network dedicated to climate action and the only one to set tangible targets: each member city, town and district has committed itself to reducing greenhouse gas emissions by ten percent every five years. Recognising the impact our lifestyles can have on the world's most vulnerable people and places, Climate Alliance pairs local action with global responsibility. climatealliance.org