



G7 Roundtable on Subnational Climate Actions

Key Points of Discussion

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- Established at the G7 Ministers' Meeting on Climate, Energy and Environment, April 15-16, 2023 in Sapporo, Japan.
- The Roundtable aims to enhance mutual learning and policy improvement among G7 members to promote subnational climate actions both domestic and across borders and to explore cooperative actions (e.g. facilitating city-to-city collaboration).
- The G7 Sustainable Urban Development Ministers gathered in Takamatsu, Kagawa on July 7-9, 2023 also committed to engagement in the G7 Roundtable on Subnational Climate Actions.

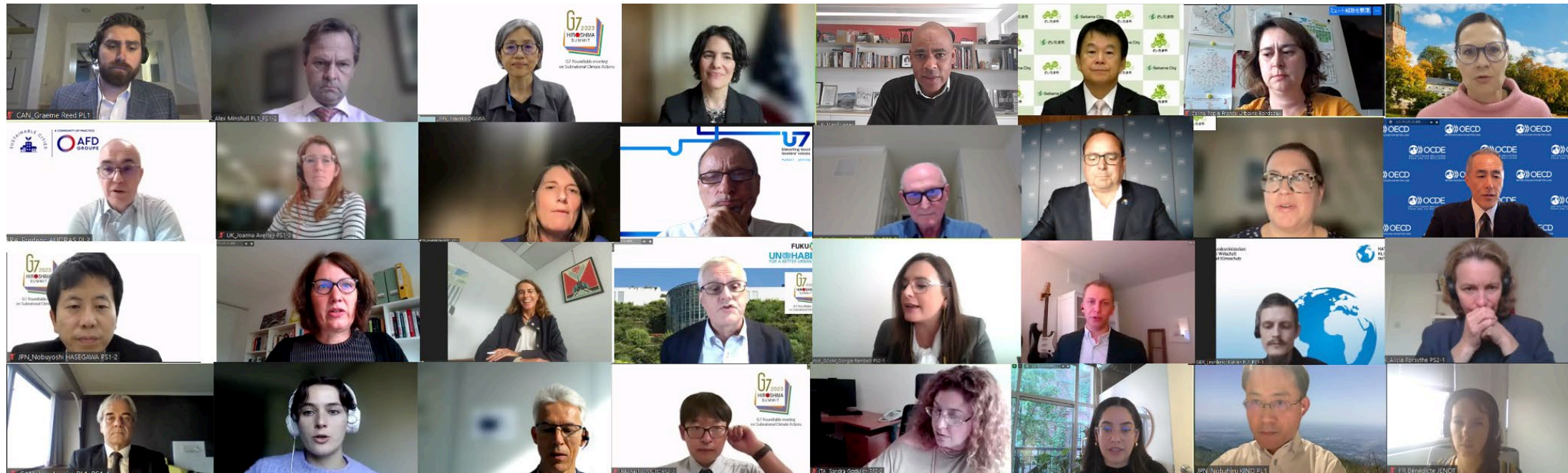


G7 Roundtable Meeting – Overview (1)

■Date: October 5-6, 2023

■Participants & observers:

More than 70 joined from the national and subnational governments, including the climate, energy, environment, and urban development ministers of G7 members, as well as UN-HABITAT, GCoM, OECD, ICLEI.



G7 Roundtable Meeting – Overview (2)



■ Agenda

Day 1

Plenary:

National support policies and programs in promoting subnational climate actions within their national boundaries

Parallel Sessions:

- Enhancement of national support policies and program
- Mainstreaming climate actions in urban development and management including usage of digital technology

Plenary for summary

Day 2

Plenary:

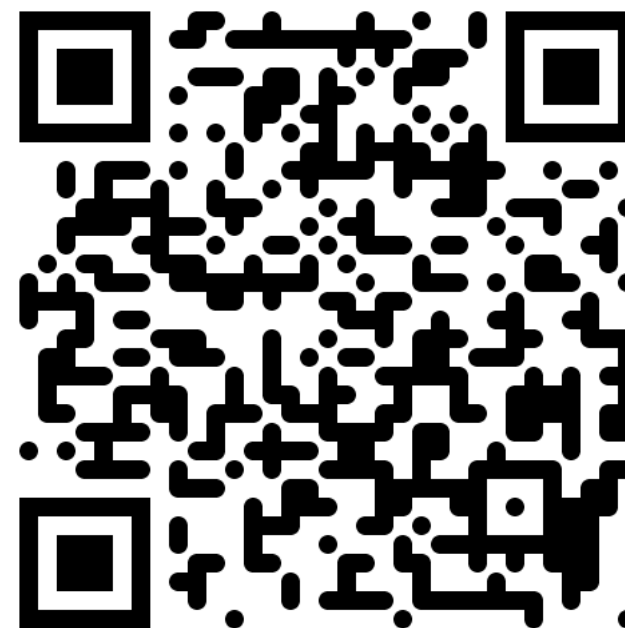
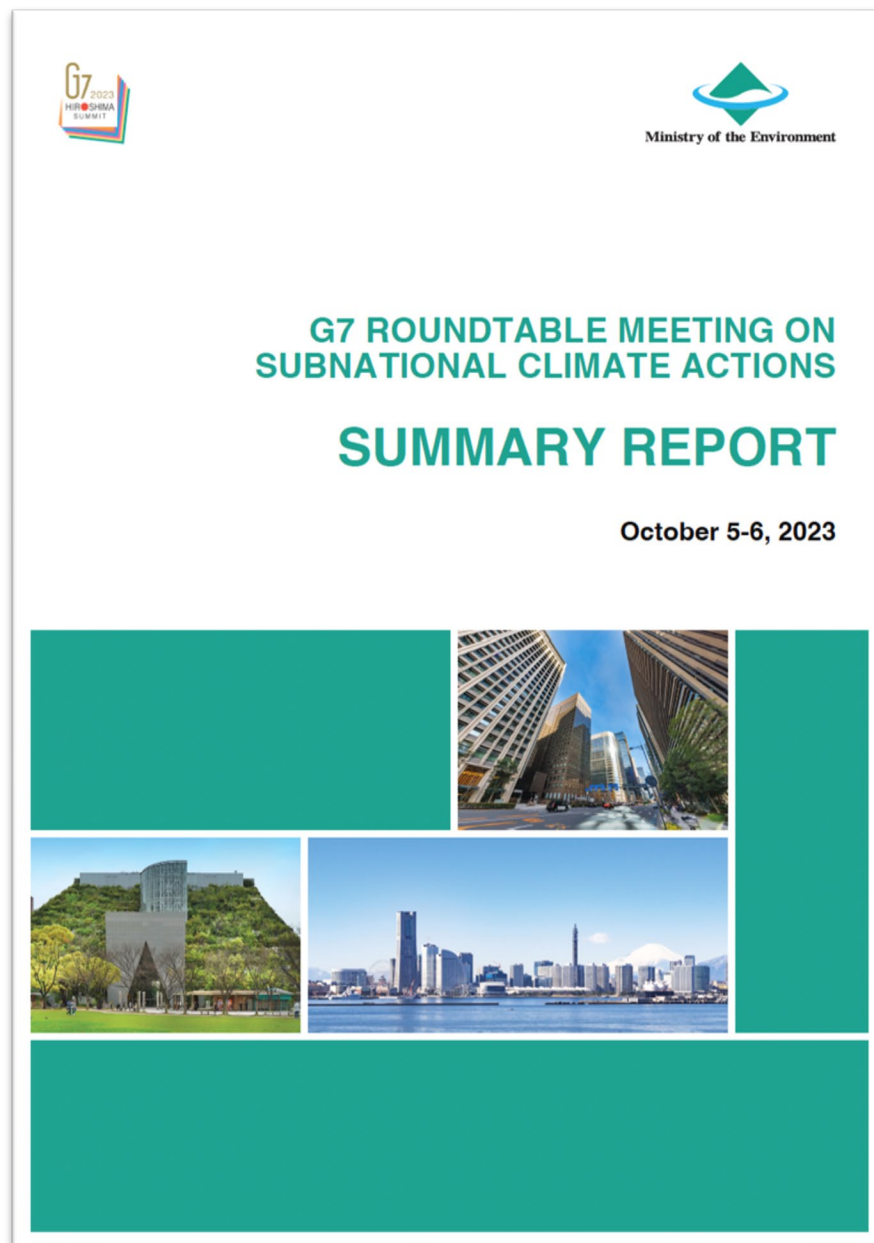
International cooperative programs in promoting subnational climate actions beyond G7 member countries

Parallel Sessions

- Advancing international cooperation by G7 national governments for subnational climate actions in non-G7 countries
- Integrated smart city development and user benefit

Plenary for summary Closing

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- **One of the biggest challenges: Channeling climate finance to cities.**

Examples of possible solutions:

Leveraging private funding with public funding sources using mechanisms such as blended finance, joint public-private financing initiatives, transition funds, and guarantee mechanisms.

Relevant on-going programs:

Local Net Zero Hub (UK), Milano Transition Fund (Italy), National Climate Initiative (Germany), Japan Green Investment Corp. for Carbon Neutrality (Japan), etc.

- Collaboration and scaling up of ambitious activities beyond regions should also be encouraged.

■ Important actions to raise ambitions and strengthen implementation at subnational levels include

- Knowledge sharing through either domestic or international city networking
- Inclusive approaches
(e.g. the First Nations Climate Lens (Canada), 2030 Plan for a Green Economy in Quebec, etc.)
- Technical support
(e.g. meteorological information services and a GIS platform of France, Local Net Zero Hub of the UK, etc.)
- Guidance at the national level
(e.g. national strategies, national and regional roadmap, etc)
- Local leadership and partnerships
- Engagement of actors at different levels (i.e., multi-level climate action)
- Digital transformation



- The participants of the Roundtable meeting welcomed the initiative and expressed their expectation of its continuation as a useful platform of mutual learning.
- This discussion would also prevail in other fora, including the G20.

Japan expects to

- continue mutual learning to **facilitate cooperation among G7 members to raise ambitions and enhance climate actions at subnational level**, in collaboration with subnational governments and relevant partners.
- continue this kind of platform/dialogue **connecting climate with energy, the environment and the urban development senior officials**, and serve as a model for cooperation with a common vision.

THANK YOU!

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