

Japanese Efforts to Promote Subnational Climate Actions

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To achieve Carbon Neutrality in 2050 and a 46% Reduction of GHG in 2030, the Roadmap was formulated on June 2021.

Key Message

- Regional decarbonization is a regional growth strategy.
- Decaronization can simultaneously address socio-economic challenges in the region with the best use of regional resources, such as renewable energy.
- Every municipality can take initiatives and address current technologies (best available technologies).

Decarbonization Leading Areas



Decarbonization Leading Areas aim to achieve the goal of its decarbonization by FY2030.

46 Decarbonization Leading Areas were selected. Subsequently, MOEJ will call for applications will semi-annually until FY2025.



Create more than 100 Decarbonization Leading Areas (DLAs)



Create advanced models of decarbonization in diverse areas such as urban, agricultural, and tourist areas





Develop regional implementation system and national support mechanism

- Human Resource (capacity development of local stakeholders and entrepreneurs)
- Technical knowledge sharing (RE potential, local economic analysis)
- Funds (investment for attracting private sector funding of decarbonization projects)

1.Subsidy for transition to regional decarbonization and renewable energy promotion

Subsidy to local governments which are keen to implement regional decarbonization measures Budgets in 2022: 20 billion JPY (173 million USD)

2.Japan Green Investment Corp. for Carbon Neutrality(JICN)

Financial support for corporations which implement decarbonization projects Budgets in 2022: **20 billion JPY (173 million USD)**

City-to-City Collaboration Program(C2P2)



Pairing Japanese cities with partner cities abroad and promoting transfer of knowledge and experience for decarbonization in partnership with private solution providers.

<Cooperation activities>

- Co-create low-carbon projects
- Support developing policies and plans to promote climate actions
- Build capacity for government staff
- Raise awareness of stakeholders

<Expected outcomes>

- Deliver net-zero commitment
- Deploy decarbonized technologies/infrastructure
- Develop action plans and regulations

Partnering 20 Japanese cities with 45 cities/regions in 13 countries



Success Cases of City-to-City Collaboration

- 環境省
- JICA has cooperated with BMA that led to development of the Master Plan on Climate Change. Yokohama City has cooperated in dispatching an expert and providing a training.
 Yokohama City and BMA continued to engage in a City-to-City Collaboration Program for the implementation of the masterplan with financial support of MOEJ.



Clean City Partnership Program (C2P2)

- MOEJ and JICA, in partnership with other key stakeholders, roll out a Clean Cities Partnership Program (C2P2), which:
 Mobilize engagement of multi-stakeholders on target cities.
- Provide a comprehensive and synergetic support to urban agenda including climate change, environmental pollution and circular economy.
- ■Collaborate with ongoing and new city initiatives by G7 members and MDBs.



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Collaborative Initiatives with Other Partners



Work with bilateral and multilateral partners on promoting subnational climate actions
 Further discussion expected at G7 Ministers' Meeting on Climate, Energy and Environment in Sapporo

U.S.-Japan Global
 Subnational Zero Carbon
 Promotion Initiative



Convening
 The "Zero Carbon City
 International Forum"

NOW!!







Convening
 The "EU-Japan 100 Cities
 Event on Climate Action"



Q-CHAMP

(Quad Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Package)



Convening The "Quad Workshop on Subnational Climate Action under Q-CHAMP"





Domestic Policies and Programs

- Close cooperation between national and subnational governments
- Regional Decarbonization Roadmap
- At least 100 Decarbonization Leading Areas by 2030
- > All Zero Carbon City by 2050

International Cooperation

- City-to-City collaboration
- Co-organize events with bilateral and multilateral partners
- Promote comprehensive multilevel support (C2P2)
- Explore cooperative actions with G7 countries and MDBs

Thank you for your kind attention

