

Japanese Efforts to Promote Subnational Climate Action

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Ministry of the Environment, Japan







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Regional Decarbonization Roadmap



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 projects can solve problems in the region through the maximum use of regional resources, such as renewable energy.
- Every municipality can take initiatives and address it with current technologies (best available technologies).

Decarbonization Leading Areas

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100 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.





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 (amendment of Global Warming Countermeasures Law)

1.The subsidy for promoting renewable energy and local decarbonization

Main Financial support scheme:

 subsidy to local governments which are keen to implement local decarbonization measures
 2022:20 billion-yen(173 million USD)

2.The Institution for realizing the carbon-free society

 Financial support for corporations which implement decarbonization projects
 2022:20 billion-yen(173 million USD)



[Basic concept]

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



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

Cities taking part in the City-to-City Collaboration Program (FY2013~2022)



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

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2	Bangalore	Yokohama	
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3	Yangon (region)	Kitakyushu	
4	Yangon(city)	Kawasaki	
5	Ayeyarwady	Fukushima	
6	Sagaing	Fukushima	
7	Mandalay	Kitakyushu	
8	Yangon City	Fukuoka	
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Red: Ongoing projects in FY2022

Success Cases of City-to-City Collaboration

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Through city-to-city collaboration projects with other countries, Japanese systems and initiatives will be transferred in a form that meets the needs of these countries, thereby encouraging zero carbon pledges and implementation of specific measures in overseas cities.

Announcement on zero carbon supported by institutional transfer (Tokyo Metropolitan Government and Kuala Lumpur City)



City-to-city collaboration





Kuala Lumpur

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<Details of collaboration>

- ✓ Transfer of TMG's green building system
- ✓ Development of zero carbon scenario in KL

KL announced its commitment to be carbon neutral by 2050





- •In March 2022, the U.S. and Japan co-hosted the "Zero Carbon City International Forum" based on the "U.S.-Japan Global Subnational Zero Carbon Promotion Initiative".
- •22 cities and 10 organizations from 14 countries took the stage to share advanced examples of cities and discussed ways to further promote their efforts, confirming the importance of national and subnational cooperation and international city-to-city collaboration.

Organizers:

Ministry of the Environment, Japan Office of Special Presidential Envoy for Climate, the United States of America



Co-Organisers: UNFCCC、ICLEI、IGES

Collaborators: OECD、GCOM

Venue: Online, Simultaneous Japanese-English interpretation



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DAY1 3/9 10:00-12:15 (JST) / 3/8 20:00-22:15 (EST)

- Opening Remarks
 - KISHIDA Fumio, Prime Minister, Japan (video message)
 - Minister of the Environment, YAMAGUCHI Tsuyoshi
 Rahm Emanuel, United States Ambassador to Japan
- Framing Session
 - Patricia Espinosa, Executive Secretary, UNFCCC
- Session 1: How cities are moving towards zero carbon
- Session 2: National-subnational and city-to-city cooperation
- Closing Remarks

DAY2 3/10 21:00-23:15(JST), 7:00-9:15(EST)

- \bullet Opening Remarks
- Session 1: City-to-City Collaboration: accelerating the decarbonization domino
- Session 2: trends and initiatives to promote transition in key areas
- Session 3: Pursuing Resilient Cities
- Session 4: Zero Carbon Urban and Town Development
- Closing Plenary & Closing remarks



Domestic Measures

- Work closely between the national government and local governments
- Regional Decarbonization Roadmap
- 100 Decarbonization Leading Areas by 2030
- All Zero Carbon City by 2050

International Cooperation

- > city-to-city collaboration
- international forum

(In addition)

Promote further cooperation activities in cooperation with other countries and international organizations

Thank you for your kind attention

