Who are we?

The Covenant of Mayors in Sub-Saharan Africa (CoM SSA) is an EU funded initiative that supports Sub-Saharan cities and municipalities to develop and implement sustainable climate and energy actions that center on access to clean energy, climate mitigation and climate adaptation. It is a bottom-up initiative that allows cities to define and meet ambitious and realistic targets set by themselves. CoM SSA is the regional chapter of the Global Covenant of Mayors - largest coalition of cities committed to local climate and energy action.

Who can join?

CoM SSA is open to any city or municipality in Sub-Saharan Africa regardless of size.

How you can join the Covenant

In Sub-Saharan Africa, cities and municipalities are particularly vulnerable when it comes to climate change. Increasing floods and droughts threaten your city’s social and economic health, and the need for clean, stable energy is constant. The good news is, you’re not alone. The Covenant of Mayors in Sub-Saharan Africa, a network of over 202 cities, allows you to find solutions that are tailored to your specific climate and energy needs. You will:

- Gain access to best practices and to knowledge exchange activities;
- Get more visibility for your city’s climate and energy actions;
- Gain access to technical support through our helpdesk office in Accra;
- Develop decentralised cooperation mechanisms;
- Network and peer to peer exchanges in Sub-Saharan Africa;
- Build sustainable, resilient cities and municipalities that contribute to SDGs.

Be part of and benefit from our:

- Capacity building workshops
- Webinars
- Multi-level political dialogues
- Capacity building for civil society organisations and more

How you can join the Covenant:

1. **STEP 1**
   - City expresses an interest

2. **STEP 2**
   - Help Desk provides relevant information

3. **STEP 3**
   - City receives documents, reviews and expresses willingness to join

4. **STEP 4**
   - PCD presented at decision-making body for consideration, approval and sent back to helpdesk

5. **STEP 5**
   - Helpdesk sends email confirmation for participation with more guidance on next steps to develop SEACAP

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CoM SSA has succeeded in bridging the gap between national policy and the localisation of climate action through the: 

- **Abidjan Declaration**
- **Political Commitment Documents**
- **Advocacy Strategy**

**SIGNATORY CITIES**

- **202** cities
- **36** countries

**PEOPLE/CITY STAFF BENEFITING FROM CAPACITY BUILDING ACTIVITIES**

- Train
- Knowledge
- Webinars
- Skills
- Support
- Development

**NUMBER OF EVENTS ORGANIZED**

- Training sessions
- SEACP workshops
- International events
- Lesson exchanges

**13 PILOT CITIES HAVING RECEIVED TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE**

**23 CSOs SIGNING PRE ENGAGEMENT TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES FOR SEACP IMPLEMENTATION.**

**Percentage of pilot cities having completed their SEACP by the end of project period**

- 84%

**Types of Risk and Vulnerability Assessments**

- Oxygen/Water (TYPE 2)
- Nitrogen/Air (TYPE 1)
- Hydrogen/Fire (TYPE 3)
- Carbon/Fire (TYPE 4)

**Emissions Inventory**

**Access to Energy Assessment**