The Transformative Actions Program (TAP)

The Transformative Actions Program (TAP) is an inclusive and cooperative effort by networks of local and subnational governments to accelerate implementation of climate action of local and subnational governments. This is to be done by scaling-up their direct investments and their increased engagement in national and global mechanisms, focusing on capacity building, technology transfer and access to climate finance. Specifically, the TAP will collect promising and transformative climate action projects and showcase them to potential financiers as well as to national negotiators delegations at COP21.

The TAP aims to:

• support climate investment in urban areas over the next ten years;
• increase the scope and quality of local and regional climate action;
• create support mechanisms to assist cities and regions in designing bankable and transformative projects;
• contribute to the elaboration of new finance mechanisms for local and regional climate action;
• create trust among subnational governments, financing institutions and investors, to lower the current perception of risk;
• support regular monitoring and reporting of project implementation developments;
• encourage multi-level cooperation and governance in the area of climate mitigation and adaptation;
• raise visibility of local and subnational climate action at the national and international level; and
• develop aiding mechanisms such as mapping exercises of funding opportunities and obstacles.
The 4 Pillars of the TAP

TAP objectives translate into 4 Action pillars:

- **TAP Project Pipeline**
  - Selection of 100 TAP frontrunner cities and regions every year
  - Support with application and project proposal development

- **TAP Platform**
  - Online platform that visualizes action potential in a structured, unified format
  - Information and communication facilitation for local/regional governments and funding bodies

- **TAP Advocacy for Accelerated Climate Action**
  - Mobilization of cities and regions
  - Sustained awareness-raising
  - With focus on: multi-level governance, effective vertical integration, new financing mechanisms

- **TAP Pavilion**
  - Kick-off at COP21, at every future COP thereafter
  - Space for showcasing of TAP projects to a multi-actor public

The TAP is
- Embedded within the scope of the Local Government Climate Roadmap,
- Motivated by the “Lima-Paris Action Agenda” (LPAA) of the COP20 and COP21 Presidencies,
- Encouraged by the NAZCA Platform operated by the UNFCCC Secretariat, and
- In support of the Compact of Mayors and the Compact of States and Regions.

The TAP is developed
- In collaboration with networks of local and subnational governments (ICLEI, R20, UCLG, C40, Eurocities, CEMR...)
- In synergy with the members of the Cities Climate Finance Leadership Alliance (CCFLA) (e.g. AFD, GIB, WWF, GEF, WB...)
- In partnership with other key institutions.

The TAP is launched and managed by ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability (ICLEI). It will be presented at the COP21 Pavilion co-hosted by City of Paris and City of Bristol – European Green Capital 2015 – from 30th November to 11th December 2015.

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Criteria for TAP Projects

The Transformative Action Program (TAP) calls for project applications from subnational authorities that are ambitious, cross-cutting, and inclusive - our definition of transformative.

The Type of Projects

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<td>• Ready-to implement, fully designed projects/action plans with an identified need for funding (investment and/or grants)</td>
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<td>• Identified need for funding, capacity building, technical advice, strategy development, finance expertise, etc.</td>
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Defining the Transformative Potential of Projects

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<td><strong>First-time projects/ action plans</strong>&lt;br&gt;that will serve a meaningful percentage of the population OR <strong>Existing projects/ action plans</strong>&lt;br&gt;that will be scaled up and that will serve an increasingly large amount of the population/jurisdiction area/etc.</td>
<td><strong>People</strong>&lt;br&gt;Demonstrate how citizens, in particular those identified from disadvantaged communities, will benefit in the short- and mid-term, e.g. urban poor, unemployed, elderly, youth, women, ethnic minorities, etc.</td>
<td><strong>City administration</strong>&lt;br&gt;Coordinate within the city administration, i.e. cross-departmental coordination processes and mechanisms have to be in place to assure effective project implementation and financing</td>
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<td><strong>Place</strong>&lt;br&gt;Improve different aspects of the location by optimizing the use of local resources [air, water, waste, land, biodiversity / ecosystems, energy] across services and sectors</td>
<td><strong>Planet</strong>&lt;br&gt;Contribute to national and global sustainability goals (SDGs)</td>
<td><strong>Civil society</strong>&lt;br&gt;Engage citizens and local stakeholders actively, encouraging their participation in the design, implementation and monitoring of the project.</td>
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| **Multi-level governance**<br>Establish concrete efforts to foster collaboration and cooperation with govern-mental stakeholders at all governance levels: municipal, local, sub-national, national, regional | **Business**<br>Reach out to local business and industry to stimulate green growth in the local private sector | }

Submit your project! At [tap-potential.org](http://tap-potential.org)

1st application round – to finish on 15th June 2015 / 2nd application round - to finish on 15th July 2015 / Final application round finishes on 15th August 2015