Local Action Moves the World

Enhancing urban nature through a global network of local and subnational governments

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Founded in 1990, with the idea that a single municipality has a significant impact and that cumulative local actions can achieve tangible improvements in global sustainability.

Today, ICLEI is a world-leading association of over 1,500 cities, towns, metropolises in 86 countries, committed to building a sustainable future.

Committed to working with partners such as GoLS in ensuring biodiversity is mainstreamed at local & subnational level and to contributing to the achievement of Aichi Biodiversity Targets.

In 86+ countries

850+ million people

> 25% of the global urban population
Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD)
Strategic Plan for Biodiversity 2011 – 2020 – five goals
20 Aichi Biodiversity Targets

CBD COP decisions on subnational and local implementation of NBSAPs more effectively integrate the contribution of subnational and local governments into the implementation of the Strategic Plan

Subnational and local authorities possess valuable information and insights which contribute to policy and achievement of national commitments to Aichi Biodiversity Targets

Increasing recognition globally of the key role that local governments can & should play in contributing to global biodiversity & sustainability targets
WHAT IS IN THE GUIDELINES

• Guidance on vertical and horizontal integration to ensure successful implementation of NBSAPs and achieving common priorities
• Clarification of the role and contribution to be made at national, subnational and local level
• Successful implementation of NBSAPs at subnational and local levels requires
• 13 areas of action to promote integration, coordination and cooperation in developing and implementing NBSAPs
• Each area discussed in terms of:
  – CBD COP decision that provides mandate
  – Brief description of the main challenges/barriers
  – Highlights good or best practices
  – specific practical guidance for national, subnational and local levels