

The Green Deal goes local!

400+ best practices from the Members of the European Committee of the Regions





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Local and regional authorities are paving the way to a carbon-neutral future in Europe. It is on the local level where projects, citizens initiatives and policies for climate change adaptation and mitigation are implemented. Many of our towns, cities and regions have inspiring examples of how the European Green Deal can become a reality in a just and fair manner. The European Committee of the Regions provides a forum to exchange and put forward a vision to improve policies to be better delivered on the ground. The collection of over 400 stories of best practices proves the commitment of regions and cities to make the European Union a leader in fighting the climate crisis. These stories are a compass that can quide future policy making towards a just and sustainable Europe for all."

The leadership and commitment of local and regional authorities lead the way to address the triple crisis of climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution. From investing in local renewable energy production, fostering sustainable public transport, implementing strategies to adapt to climate change, to efficient waste management, cities and regions contribute to the effective implementation of the Green Deal on the ground. This brochure with more than 400 best practices presents their achievements to build more resilient, innovative and sustainable local communities across the EU, for the citizens, for the economy and the planet."

Achieving climate neutrality

Clean, reliable and affordable energy

Financing the transition

Leave no one behind (Just Transition)

> Towards a modernised and simplified CAP

Green Deal Going Local



The transformation of agriculture and rural areas

Sustainable transport

Preserving Europe's natural capital

Transition to a circular economy

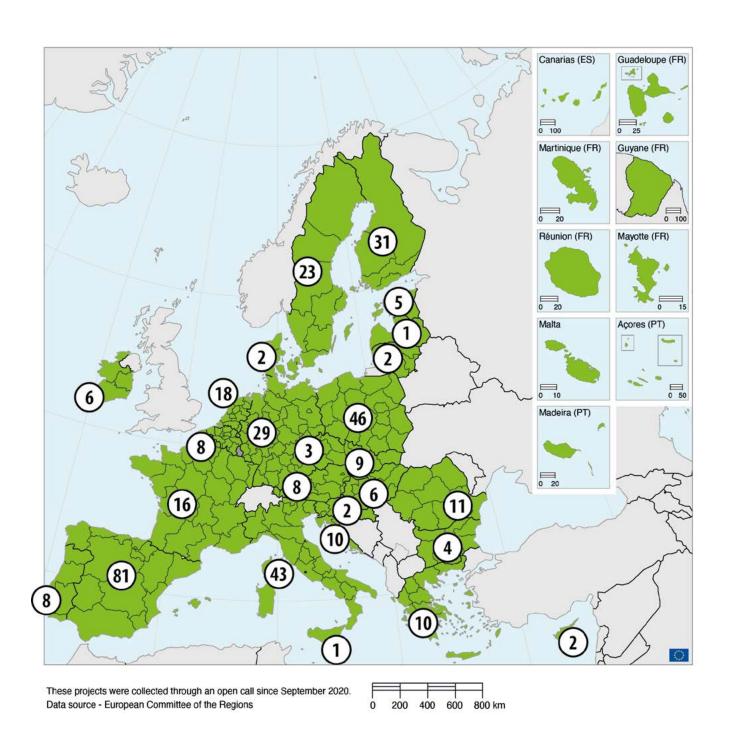
A zero-pollution **Europe**

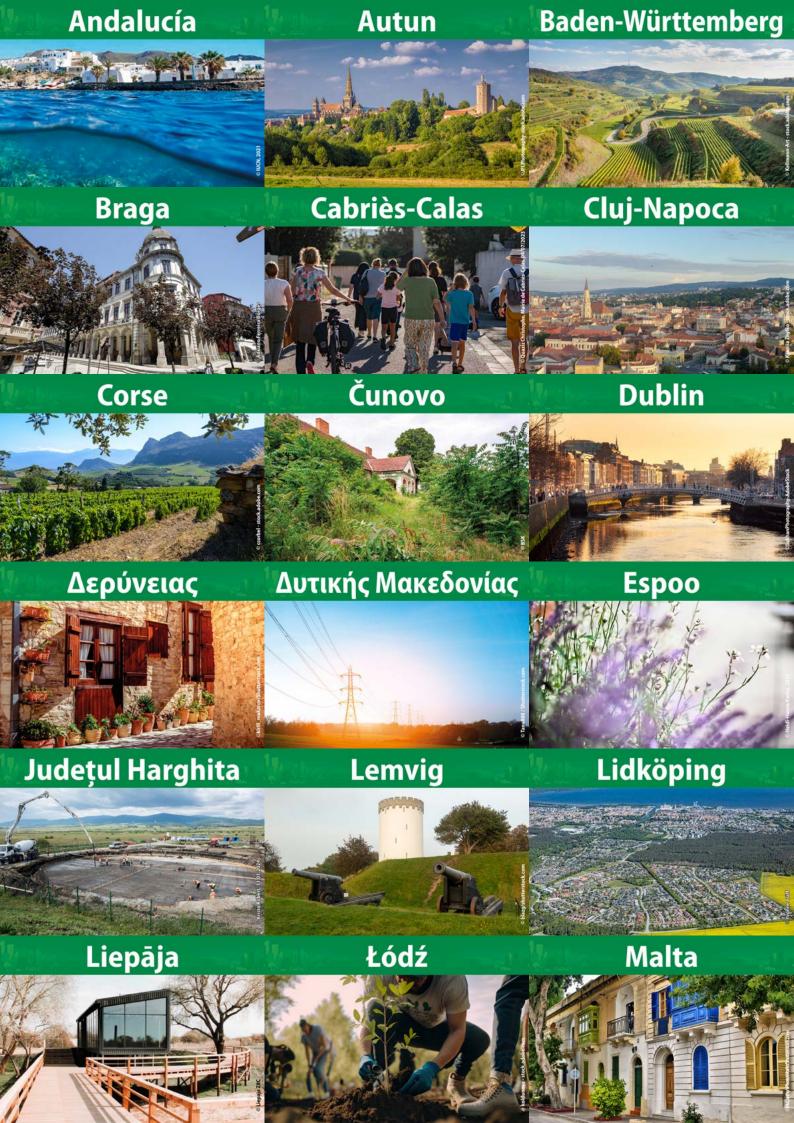
From farm to fork



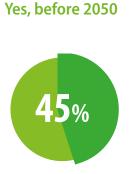
European villages, towns, cities and regions invest in sustainable transition towards climate neutrality

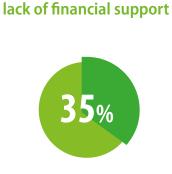
Surf 400+ best practices on the CoR portal https://cor.europa.eu/en/regions

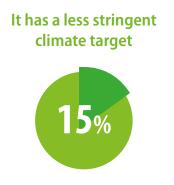




Climate Neutrality target at regional or local level



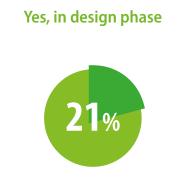




Plans for sustainable development at the regional or local level







Policy area missing in the Green Deal at the regional or local level







(*) these figures are based on the Network of Regional Hubs for EU Policy Implementation Review - The future of the Green Deal: Taking stock and looking ahead. Read the full report at https://cor.europa.eu/en/engage/Documents/RegHub/green-deal-taking-stock-looking-ahead.pdf





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Do you want to share your local **Green Deal best practice?**



This is an initiative of the

'Green Deal Going Local' working group

At the European Committee of the Regions, the 'Green Deal Going Local' working group aims at placing cities and regions at the core of the European Green Deal.

It ensures that both the EU's sustainable growth strategy and the COVID-19 recovery plan translate into direct funding for cities and regions and tangible projects for every territory.

The 'Green Deal Going Local' working group has three specific objectives:

- > To make the voice of cities and regions heard on the numerous policy initiatives under the European Green Deal.
- > To place cities and regions at the heart of EU institutions' policies promoting carbon neutrality.
- **>** To highlight achievements and best practices of local and regional authorities in implementing local green transition, and facilitate replication across the EU.

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