



Solar Mayors' Club Charter

We, the undersigned, are adding our names to the Solar Mayors' Club Charter and share a joint vision of a transition to energy sustainable cities where communities have an active role in creating their future by proposing and funding solar projects that contribute to community development.

We jointly commit to make solar energy a key element of our communities' energy plans. As local leaders, we know that our communities are particularly well-suited to adopt solar power and should be provided the right to lead this transition.

As Mayors adding our names to this charter, we recognize that to help cities to implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, we need to integrate citizens and the private sector. Collectively we identify the need and opportunity to promote greater collaboration across sectors and partners to deliver impacts at scale. This venture will utilize limited resources efficiently and ensure finances can be mobilized from private individuals, companies, public groups, and organizations. Specifically, we see our role in implementing Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 7: Affordable and clean energy; and Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 11: Make cities inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable.

We, the undersigned Mayors, commit to scaling up investment in clean-energy infrastructure by mobilizing public finance and leveraging both domestic and international private capital. We commit to support the installation of solar PV on new developments through city development plans, to achieve greenhouse gas reduction and to generate decentralized solar energy on site.

We, the undersigned Mayors commit to exchange good practices between our cities for information, advice, funding, as well as creating a solar best practice guide for cities, energy cooperatives, schools, and community groups. We also understand that giving citizens a central role in taking on sustainable energy challenges leads to more energy independence and recognizable and relevant solutions, which is a prerequisite for creating more resilient cities.

We, the undersigned Mayors commit to supporting energy cooperatives and community energy schemes that can contribute to community cohesion, create employment opportunities, generate revenue and combat fuel poverty. We firmly believe that community ownership and participation in

renewable energy projects can also help to generate public support and acceptance for solar energy projects more widely and reduce local opposition.

We, the undersigned Mayors want to lead on the example and support good practice solutions to set a national policy framework that unlocks cities solar energy potential.

This charter is prepared with support from the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and Citizenergy platform. The Solar Mayors' Club is permanently open to admission to other city representatives worldwide. By signing this charter, we commit to supporting efforts to advance solar energy in our local communities, cities, regions, and countries.

The undersigned,