

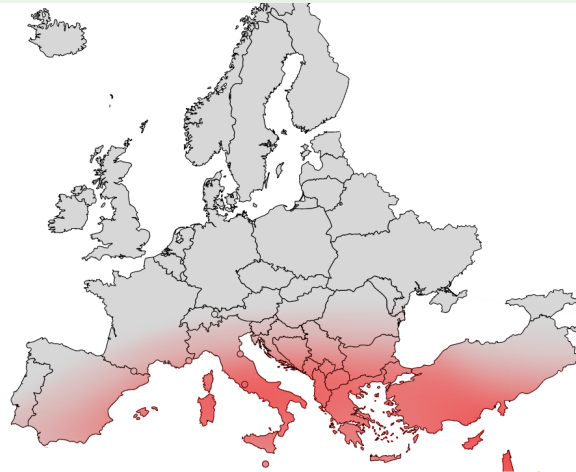
5 key facts for local implementation of the Paris Agreement

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1 OUR TERRITORIES FACE A CLIMATE EMERGENCY

Temperatures will rise at least 1.5°C over the next two decades

Southern and South-Eastern Europe will be especially affected by drought



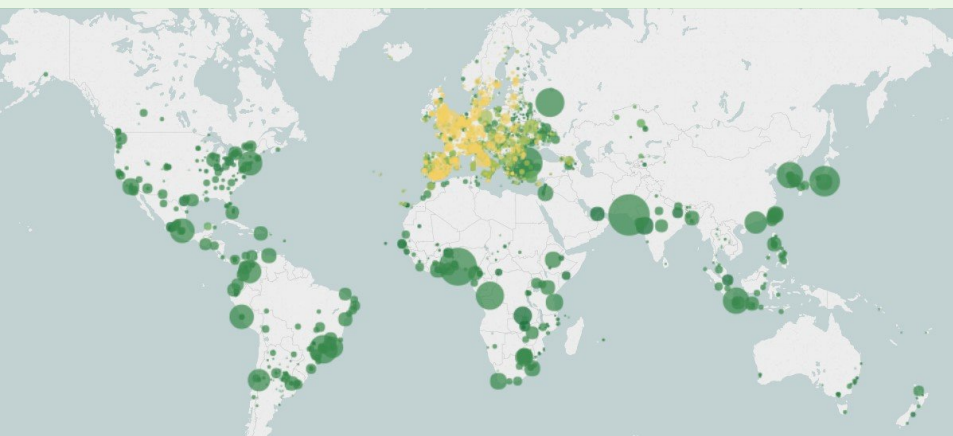
25% of the EU population lives in highly vulnerable territories

2 LOCAL ACTIONS TACKLE A WIDE RANGE OF CLIMATE CHALLENGES

Environmental solutions are already local. Towns and regions are responsible for wide range of services and investments related to environmental protection:

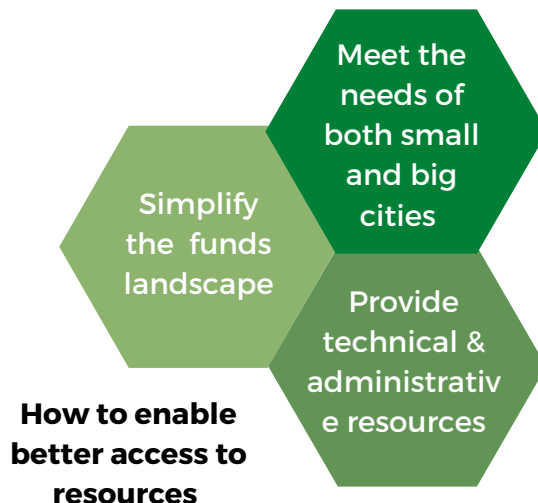
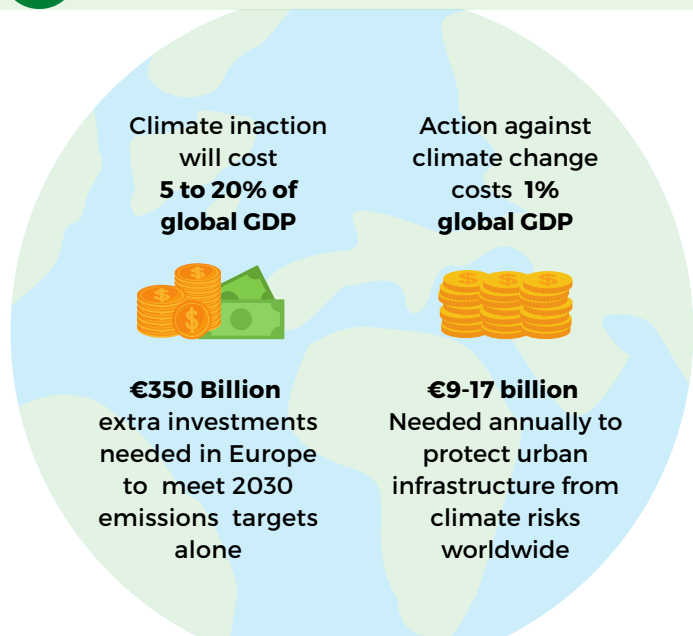
Waste	Water	Parks and green spaces	Noise and air pollution	Soil protection
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collection Sorting Treatment Reduction Recovery 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provision Reuse Sewage management and treatment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biodiversity promotion Temperature reduction in cities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noise reduction Cleaner air Healthier people 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reducing soil degradation Protection and recovery of deteriorated lands

3 LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ARE AT THE FOREFRONT OF THE BATTLE AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE



10,700+ signatories in Europe and more in the World across 131 countries are committed to achieving and exceeding UN climate and energy targets.

4 WISE ALLOCATION OF RESOURCES AND FUNDING IS A NECESSITY



5 SDG IMPLEMENTATION REQUIRES COOPERATION BY ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT



65% of the **SDGs'** 169 targets need engagement and coordination with **local and regional governments** to be achieved.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR LOCAL-LED IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PARIS AGREEMENT

CEMR's key messages presented at the November 2021 COP26 climate summit in Glasgow:

- ✓ Deliver the **Paris Agreement** now! Covering mitigation and adaptation at all levels
- ✓ **Local and regional leadership and action** can strengthen work at international level
- ✓ Appropriate **regulatory frameworks, financial and technical resources** are essential to enable Local and Regional Governments' climate action
- ✓ The **SDGs** need to be localised and territorialised
- ✓ **Climate justice and social equity** need to go hand in hand
- ✓ Focus on **resilience and recovery** beyond the pandemic crisis

The **Council of European Municipalities and Regions - CEMR** is the broadest organisation of local and regional governments in Europe, representing over 100,000 municipalities, counties regions. CEMR's objectives are twofold: to influence European legislation on behalf of local and regional governments and to provide a platform for exchange. CEMR is the European section of United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG).

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