

ICLEI's Approach

- ☐ Climate solutions should be holistic, integrated and tailor-made for each city.
- ☐ Co-benefits from interactions between different sectors should be identified and harnessed by local governments.
- ☐ It is crucial that rural-urban linkages are explored to create a multiplier effect and maximize climate impact.

Reporting and Monitoring

ICLEI's carbon// Climate Registry (cCR) provides governments with a platform for tracking action, in a way that is transparent and credible. It is essential that governments have access to accurate data as this informs strategies to reduce GHG emissions.

As part of its [support to UNFCCC Race-To-Zero Campaign](#), and through its [Climate Neutrality Framework](#), ICLEI will seek to:

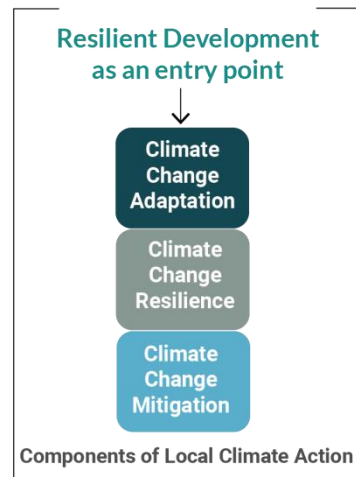
- (1) Ensure acknowledgment of the existing climate neutrality commitments;
- (2) Increase number of cities and regions that are committing to climate neutrality;
- (3) Encourage its members and network to consider re-assessment, recalculation or recalibration of their existing climate neutrality targets with the Science-Based-Targets Approach towards and beyond COP26 in 2021; and
- (4) Support monitoring progress & compliance.



ICLEI's Climate Neutrality Framework

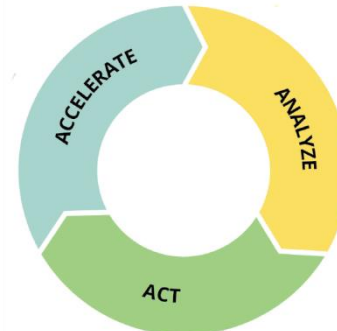
Resilient Development

- Resilient development is the entry point to the framework.
- Climate neutrality strongly aligns with ICLEI's low emission and resilient development pathways to sustainability.
- Enhanced resilience and adaptation to climate change across all sectors should be prioritized by local governments.



The GreenClimateCities (GCC) Program

- ICLEI's GCC Program guides subnational governments through the process of setting science-based targets, taking action using a consumption-based approach, and monitoring and learning from the results.
- ICLEI encourages local governments to use the program to embed a climate change lens in their own operations and across the city community because local governments and urban systems are interconnected.
- The GCC methodology is non-linear so it can be adapted to local governments to suit their needs, regardless of where they are on the path to zero carbon.



The Three Pillars of Climate Neutrality

- The pillars have been designed to encourage governments to raise their level of ambition and intensify action. They impact governmental commitments, actions, and the monitoring and reporting of progress.
- The priority for local governments is to reduce GHG and other harmful emissions in order to mitigate climate change.
- All actors must engage in reducing emissions and take responsibility for their contribution to climate change.

-  **1 Drastically Reduce GHGs**
-  **2 Divest, Repurpose & Reinvest**
-  **3 Offset & Compensate GHGs**