DIALOGUE FOR CLIMATE ACTION

SUB-NATIONAL GOVERNMENTS CALL FOR RAISING AMBITION TOWARDS COP26

MILAN, 30 SEPTEMBER 2021

Event in the framework of “ALL4CLIMATE” PRE-COP26 agenda
Hosted by: Lombardy and Scotland
Co-organized by: Regions4 (www.regions4.org/)
In collaboration with: Under2 Coalition (www.theclimagegroup.org/under2-coalition), 4 Motors for Europe (www.4motors.eu/)
Date and time: 30th September afternoon (4.15-7.00 pm CET)
Format: hybrid in-presence and virtual, live streaming for the public
Languages: simultaneous translations Italian, English, French, Spanish, German
Streaming link: https://www.regione.lombardia.it/wps/portal/istituzionale/HP/DettaglioRedazionale/istituzione/attivita-istituzionali/comunicazione-istituzionale/video-e-dirette

Venue: Milan, Palazzo Lombardia, Sala Biagi N4

Concept: The Governments of Lombardy and Scotland, in collaboration with networks of sub-national governments, promote an international meeting of sub-national governments from all over the world to share their on-going policies, to boost the actions against climate change, to enhance the resilience of the territories and to inspire the goals for the negotiation at the next COP 26 in Glasgow

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PROGRAM

16.00 – 16.35 / WELCOME ADDRESSES

CHAIR: Minister for Environment and Climate of Lombardy Region (on site) (10’)
- Alan Christian Rizzi, Deputy Secretary for the Relations with International Delegations of Lombardy Region (on site) (10’)
- Michael Matheson, Cabinet Secretary Net Zero, Energy and Transport of the Scottish Government (online) (10’)
- Arantxa Tapia, Regions4 Sustainable Development President and Minister for Economic Development, Sustainability and Environment, Basque Country (online) (5’)

16.35 – 16.50 / KEY NOTE SPEECH
- Nigel Topping, UN High Level Climate Action Champion Representative of the UK Government (on site) (15’)

16.50 – 18.25 / POLITICAL DIALOGUE
1. Secure global net zero by mid-century and keep 1.5 degrees >> accelerate the phase-out of coal, curtail deforestation, speed up the switch to electric vehicles, encourage investment in renewables.
2. Adapt to protect communities and natural habitats >> protect and restore ecosystems, build defences, warning systems and resilient infrastructure and agriculture to avoid loss of homes, livelihoods and even lives.


4. Work together to deliver >> finalise the Paris Rulebook, accelerate action to tackle the climate crisis through collaboration between governments, businesses, and civil society.

**MODERATOR:** Natalia Uribe, Secretary General of Regions4. Introduction of the Dialogue (on site) (5’)

**OPENING OF THE DIALOGUE ON CLIMATE CHANGE AND TERRITORIES:**
- Vincent Chauvez, Member of the COR – ENVE (Commission for Environment, Climate change and Energy) (online) (10’)
- Andreas Pinkwart, Minister of Economic Affairs, Innovation, Digitalization and Energy, State of North Rhine-Westphalia (video message) (5’)

**PANELISTS (ROUND TABLE)**

**PART 1: WE ACKNOWLEDGE:** given the new IPCC report, what impacts of climate change for your region, and direct implications for adaptation and mitigation actions?
- Benoit Charrette, Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment, and Fight Against Climate Change, Quebec (online) (5’)
- Adama Diallo, President of the Regional Council, Gossas (on site) (5’)
- Dr. Andre Baumann, State Secretary, Baden-Württemberg (online) (5’)
- Huguette Bello, President, La Réunion (online) (5’)
- Vice-President and Minister for the Ecological Transition, Emilia-Romagna (on site) (5’)

**PART 2: WE CALL FOR:** what are the main challenges and enabling factors for increasing ambitions? how should COP 26 enable accelerated action?
- Frédéric Bonnichon, Vice-President for Environment and Ecology, Auvergne-Rhone Alpes (online) (5’)
- Badara Samb, Vice-President, Region of Louga (on site) (5’)
- Sergio Graf, Secretary for the Environment, Jalisco (on site) (5’)
- Yang Seung-jo, Governor, Chungnam Province (tbc – video message) (5’)

**PART 3: WE COMMIT TO:** how are regions increasing ambition & accelerating action on the 4 areas: mitigation, adaptation, finance & collaboration?
- Julie James, Minister for Climate Change, Wales (online) (5’)
- Anna Barnadas, Secretary for Environment and Sustainability, Catalunya (on site – tbc) (5’)
- Marcos Penido, Secretary of Infrastructure and Environment, São Paulo Stat (online) (5’)

**CONCLUSION:** Natalia Uribe, Secretary General of Regions 4 (5’)

Announcement of the next event at COP 26 in Glasgow next 8th November (5’)

**18.30 – 19.00 / CLOSURE**
- President, Lombardy Region (on site) (5’)
- Minister for Ecological Transition of the Italian Government (on site) (10’)

Aperitif on 39th floor