The Green Deal goes local!

300+ best practices from the Members of the European Committee of the Regions
Green, resilient, just and sustainable: Local and regional authorities and citizens are paving the way to a carbon-neutral future. It is on the local level where projects, citizens initiatives and policies for climate change adaptation and mitigation are implemented. Many of our villages, towns, cities and regions have inspiring examples of how the European Green Deal can become a reality. The European Committee of the Regions provides a forum to share and exchange on successful policies. The collection of over 300 stories of best practices proves the commitment of regions and cities to make Europe a leader in fighting climate change.

The CoR has launched a call for its Members to gather their best practices and relevant projects for addressing the triple crisis of climate change, biodiversity loss and pollution. Local and regional authorities are the key drivers for ensuring the successful implementation of the European Green Deal on the ground. Cities and regions are forging the way to a greener and healthier planet for today’s citizens and the generations to come.
European villages, towns, cities and regions invest in sustainable transition towards climate neutrality

Surf 300+ best practices on the CoR portal
Biggest obstacles faced in best practice projects:

- Burdensome bureaucracy: 76%
- Lack of financial support: 74%
- Impact of the crises: 54%

Regions and cities expect Green Deal’s support by

- New and more accessible EU funds: 69%
- Exchange of experience at EU level: 64%
- Increase awareness among citizens and business: 61%
- Legislation and policy for climate neutrality: 36%

Best practice projects help their regions to

- Protect biodiversity, health, quality of life: 74%
- Reach climate neutrality: 60%
- Increase citizens’ participation, notably Youth: 45%
- Help local SMEs to recover and create new jobs: 35%

(*) the survey is based on the answers from the CoR Members who submitted their best practices to the call launched by the CoR Working Group Green Deal Going Local. More info at www.cor.europa.eu/GreenDealGoingLocal.go
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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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