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LGMA Response to COP28 CMA Agenda.no.4 (GST Outcomes text 2.0) as of 11 December 17:00

We call on all Parties to continue leadership of the COP28 Presidency and Step Up Multilevel Action in the GST Outcomes.

The Local Governments and Municipal Authorities (LGMA) Constituency, as a united voice of subnational governments in the UNFCCC process, urges all UNFCCC Parties, in particular 70 nations who endorsed Coalition for High Ambition Multilevel Partnership ([CHAMP](#)) for climate action, to include references to multilevel action more prominently in the GST 2.0 (published on 11 December at 17.00).

This is fundamental to bridging the gap between ambition and implementation. It is only through a whole-of-government and whole of society approach that we can keep the 1.5C objective of the Paris Agreement alive and, with it, the hope of a liveable future.

Please see our suggestions to be inserted in next version of text below:

1. **NEW PREAMBLE PARA: *Emphasizing that collaborative and science-based multilevel climate action is critical and creates additional potential for emissions reduction, building resilience, and avoiding severe climate impacts, acknowledging respective national legislations, regulations, and circumstances.***
2. **Para 203.** Invites all Parties to initiate or intensify domestic preparations for their successive nationally determined contributions **including through multilevel cooperation, as appropriate and applicable**
3. **Para 219.** Encourages Parties to implement **multilevel** climate policy and action that is gender-responsive, fully respects human rights, and empowers youth and children;

We are heartened by the strong praise and endorsement by [Japan to CHAMP and multilevel action at the GCA closing plenary](#) (1:33:14). We also welcome the positive message from Senegal, Brazil and USA for engagement of non-Party stakeholders. We encourage all 70 Parties that endorsed CHAMP to consider similar practices to acknowledge the role of subnational governments in climate action and implementation to achieve Paris Agreement goals.



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About Local Governments and Municipal Authorities (LGMA) Constituency

Since the Earth Summit in 1992, when nine stakeholder groups – including local authorities – were designated as essential partners in implementing the global sustainability agenda, the Local Governments and Municipal Authorities (LGMA) Constituency has represented networks of local and regional governments under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). The LGMA has served as the voice of cities and regions since the first Conference of Parties (COP) in 1995 and continues to achieve advocacy success for multilevel action in the climate, nature, and desertification processes. The LGMA has grown to more than 45 accredited networks of local and regional governments. The LGMA coordinates inputs to the global climate negotiations all year, influencing and informing outcomes toward meeting the Paris Agreement.

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