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## The Leading Role of Local Governments in Achieving a Sustainable City

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## **Abstract**

There is a clear link between the actions of the cities about climate change and the larger goals of being a low-carbon economy, poverty eradication and global environmental governance. The role of cities in this new institutional architecture, as defined by the Unites Nations, is a unique opportunity for cooperation. Shares of cities serve as a catalyst for national governments, aiming to provide support to public policies, creating a virtuous circle. The purpose of the present work is to demonstrate that, faced with a troubling and urgent climate reality, local governments have taken responsibility and have been working in the formulation of public policies with the participation of various actors in society.

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