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Labor commits to working with local government on climate action

Earlier this month the Shadow Minister for Climate Change and Energy, The Hon. Chris Bowen MP joined over 200 Mayors and elected members representing over 108 local governments from across Australia to discuss Labor's priorities to adapt, mitigate and build resilience. If elected, the Shadow Minister committed to a roundtable with Mayors in June to discuss how to accelerate climate action with local governments. Read about the commitments that were made and [Watch the event](#).

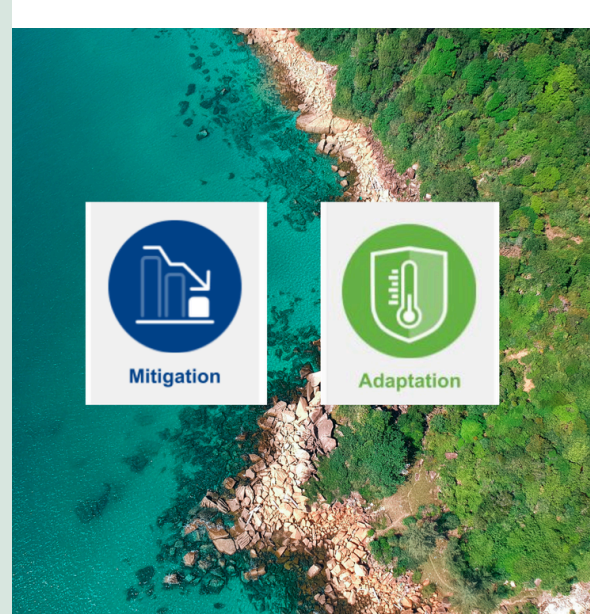


CitiesWithNature Launches New Action Platform



Participating local governments of the [CitiesWithNature](#) program can now gain more recognition for the critical role they play in protecting and restoring nature and biodiversity with the launch of the new CitiesWithNature Action Platform. Pieter Botha, the Global Coordinator for CitiesWithNature and RegionsWithNature from the Cities Biodiversity Centre offered a demonstration. [Watch the webinar](#).

30 cities certified as champions for climate action



Over thirty cities across Oceania have been awarded badges to certify their climate mitigation and adaptation plans and progress by the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy Oceania. Find out which councils have been presented with awards. [Read the story here](#)

Special GCoM 2022 Reporting Webinar: Report with the Click of a Button



Now there's a way to quickly report emissions data with the click of a button to fulfil the [Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy \(GCoM\)](#) and [Cities Race to Zero](#) reporting requirements. Find out more about the Global Covenant of Mayors and how to use this new reporting tool. [Watch the Webinar](#)

Upcoming Events

ICLEI World Congress 2021 - 2022: The Malmö Summit



ICLEI Oceania will be sending a delegation to represent the Oceania region at the upcoming [ICLEI World Congress](#) event in Malmö. The event is open to ICLEI members and will feature the Research Symposium as the highlighted Research & Innovation component, as well as three days of rich and engaging sessions around climate neutrality, resilience, and equitable solutions which can be accessed virtually as well as in person. [Check out the program here](#)

Register

Malmö Summit: Research Symposium

10 May @ 5pm AEST

We are happy to announce that ICLEI will be live streaming the Research Symposium so that all interested people can engage and benefit from the discussions at the event. ICLEI's Research Symposium, the 6th in ICLEI's 32-year history, will bring together leading urban sustainability researchers, innovators, and city leaders from across the globe. [Find out more](#).

Register

Malmö Summit: Our Vision for a Sustainable Urban World

11 May @ 5pm AEST

The Malmö Summit will kick off with an opening plenary welcoming all participants, in-person and virtual, to the City of Malmö. Recognizing the current state of sustainable development, the meeting will set the stage for discussions on challenges and opportunities, highlighting impact, and the importance of cooperation at all levels. [Find out more](#).

Register

Malmö Summit: Role of AI in Achieving Sustainability in Cities

13 May @ 9:45pm AEST

This session explores the role of Artificial Intelligence (AI) in supporting climate neutral cities. Learn how AI technology is accelerating cities' transition to carbon neutrality and is being deployed in a variety of sectors such as mobility and energy. [Find out more](#).

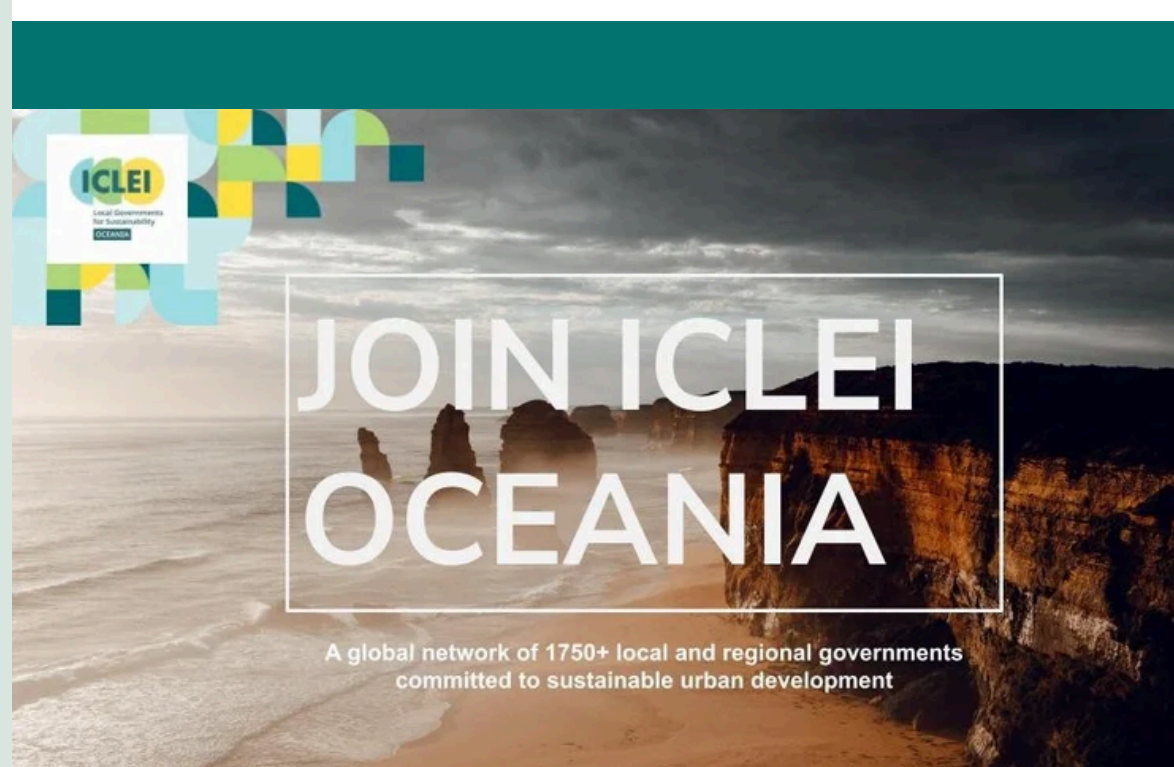
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Malmö Summit: Nature-based solutions Green Blue strategies and tools

13 May @ 7:15pm AEST

Join this session for a reassessment of the importance of integrating Nature in land use, infrastructure, and investment planning since the conservation of land and water ecosystems offers multiple co-benefits for city dwellers including climate change resilience and health. [Find out more](#).

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