



C40 CITY SOLUTIONS PLATFORM – City Document

SUPPORTING CITIES TO ADVANCE CLIMATE ACTION THROUGH PUBLIC PRIVATE COLLABORATION*

Leading cities around the world are searching for innovative solutions to the major climate challenges they face, ranging from adapting to the effects of climate change, to providing their citizens with low carbon energy, waste, water and mobility options. C40 research shows that many cities are looking for opportunities to work in collaboration with private sector partners in order to identify new and innovative climate solutions and explore the potential in the green technological development. However, many cities face challenges when working directly with the private sector.

WHAT IS THE CITY SOLUTIONS PLATFORM?

C40 Cities Climate Leadership Group (C40) has developed the City Solutions Platform (CSP) as a way to support the early engagement between cities, the private sector, academic institutions and other solution providers to accelerate the deployment of climate solutions.

The City Solutions Platform offers you a tailored process, including:



* The City Solutions Platform is a not for profit programme which enables cities to engage with private sector partners through our unbiased, neutral platform to co-create innovative methodologies, technologies, and new business methods.



WHAT IS THE VALUE TO CITIES?

The City Solutions Platform will:

- Facilitate a process to develop innovative solutions to your climate challenges
- Provide support from a dedicated multi-sector team to drive the project development
- Provide access to leading solution providers and climate solutions, locally within your city as well as globally
- Create a space for multi-sector collaboration between experts
- Foster innovation through ground breaking technologies, efficient business models, and innovative governance approaches for urban development
- Accelerate the deployment of climate solutions in your city
- Disseminate successful solutions and methodologies across the network of C40 Cities and beyond.

CITY ROLE

If your city is selected to be one of our leading and innovating cities, you will:

- Collaborate with the City Solutions Platform team throughout the project
- Contribute sufficient staff time and resources to be an active city partner
- Provide inputs to your challenge to an audience of relevant innovators, experts and solution providers
- Host workshops in your city where local and international innovators, experts and solution providers can co-create solutions to your challenge
- Collaborate with the City Solutions Platform team to deliver an outcome that you can take forward towards implementing a solution
- Disseminate knowledge on the CSP process and solutions created to the broader network of C40 Cities and beyond.

SOLUTION PROVIDER ROLE

To be a solution provider in the City Solutions Platform, you will:

- Understand the complexity of sustainable urban development and support the future proofing of cities through innovative climate solutions
- Embrace open standards of communication and collaborate/co-create with other solution providers on the City Solutions Platform
- Collaborate with the City Solutions Platform team to deliver an outcome that can be implemented within the city
- Cover your own costs of attendance to all City Solutions Platform activity including travel to, and accommodation during, CSP workshops
- Help to assess the social, environmental, and economic benefits from any climate solutions developed.