**Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy Mediterranean**

**Letter of Intent of [City]**

Dear Covenant of Mayors Office in the Mediterranean,

I, **[Name of the Mayor (or equivalent representative)]**, **[Mayor (or Job Title)]** of **[Name of City or Local Authority]** have been mandated by the **[Municipal Council (or equivalent decision-making body)]** on **[date]** to declare the commitment of the **[type of jurisdiction, e.g. city/town/village/etc]** of **[name of city or local jurisdiction]** to join the Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy in the Mediterranean **(CoM Med).**

Local authorities are faced with growing challenges as regards the satisfaction of their citizens’, as well as their buildings/ facilities’ energy needs in a sustainable way. The municipalities’ aim to join the Covenant of Mayors Mediterranean is providing improved services and better quality of life to the citizens and mitigating / adapting to the adverse impacts of climate change in their region in the long-term horizon.

I recognise that a commitment to the Covenant of Mayors Mediterranean, CoM Med requires a pledge to implement policies and undertake measures to (i) reduce (or limit where relevant) greenhouse gas emissions, (ii) prepare for the impacts of climate change, (iii) increase access to sustainable energy, and (iv) track progress toward these objectives. Specifically, within no more than 3 years of the present commitment the **Municipality of [Name of City or Local Authority]** will develop and report on the following:

* A municipal-scale greenhouse gas emission inventory and an assessment of climate hazards and vulnerabilities;
* Ambitious, measurable and time-bound target(s) to reduce/limit greenhouse gas emissions;
* Ambitious adaptation vision and goals, based on quantified scientific evidence when possible, to increase local resilience to climate change
* Ambitious and just goal to improve access to affordable sustainable energy; and
* Plan(s) to address climate change mitigation, adaptation, and sustainable energy access, including provisions for regular (annual or biennial) evaluation and revisions.

The quantified targets and action plans will be consistent with or exceed relevant national commitments defined through the UNFCCC (Intended) Nationally Determined Contribution.

I acknowledge that participation in the CoM Med is contingent on complying with the above.

Yours faithfully,

**[Name and complete address of the local authority]**

**[Name, email and phone number of the Mayor]**

**[Name, e-mail and phone number of the contact person]**

**[number of]** Inhabitants**, [Area]** sq. miles

**[Country],**

**SIGNATURE**

CoM Med is a regional part/body of the Global Covenant of Mayors for Climate & Energy (GCoM) – the world’s largest alliance of mayors and local leaders committed to climate action[[1]](#footnote-1) – envisions a world where committed mayors and local governments – in alliance with partners – accelerate ambitious, measurable climate and energy initiatives that lead to an inclusive, just, low-emission and climate resilient future, helping to meet and exceed the Paris agreement objectives.

1. Global Covenant of Mayors was formed in 2017 through a merger between Compact of Mayors established by [Bloomberg Philanthropies] and Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy launched by the European Commission [↑](#footnote-ref-1)