



Local Governments
for Sustainability

AFRICA

MEMBERSHIP Benefits

All Members enjoy access to **standard membership benefits**, designed to support your sustainability journey, increase your visibility, and connect you with the global ICLEI network. In addition, our **premium offering** gives you access to enhanced support and services tailored to your priorities, whilst the **standalone paid services** are designed to meet specific needs.



GET RECOGNISED

Demonstrate your municipality's commitment to sustainability as part of the global ICLEI movement.

Position your municipality among **recognised sustainability leaders**.

Be **formally represented in international sustainability negotiations** through ICLEI's mandate to speak for local and subnational governments.

Ensure your **local priorities inform international decision-making** that shapes the global sustainability agenda.



GET ENGAGED

Engage with the ICLEI network across Africa and around the world. Participate in **exclusive Member-only co-learning sessions and events**.

Share knowledge and collaborate through initiatives supported or hosted by ICLEI.

Shape **ICLEI's strategic direction** by voting in elections and standing for leadership roles on governance boards.



GET SHOWCASED

Have your municipality's sustainability achievements **featured in ICLEI newsletters, social media, website and events**, both regionally and globally.

Take part in campaigns that **amplify your sustainability work** and achievements.

Be eligible for **Member Awards** that celebrate local innovation and leadership.

Premium offering

The premium offering is ideal for cities seeking deeper technical engagement, hands-on support, and enhanced visibility.

- Annual membership fee of **\$15,000**
- Includes **all standard membership benefits listed previously, PLUS the enhanced technical support and engagement opportunities below:**

Enhanced support and engagement

- **8 × 1-hour technical assistance sessions** (online or in-person) per year, tailored to your city's priorities and ICLEI Africa's capacity (to be selected from the technical assistance menu list below).
- Additional sessions available (capped at 30 hours) at **\$50 per hour.**

Technical assistance menu

- Expert technical advice on any aspect of your sustainability agenda/plan within ICLEI's 5 development pathways (zero-emission, nature-based, circular, equitable, resilient development), including a comprehensive review of the plan's strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats.
- One in-person engagement in your city per membership year such as a full day facilitated workshop, planning session, diagnostic exercise, or technical training module (includes preparation, facilitation and co-designing of the intervention, as well as the development of a short diagnostic/summary report). Travel and associated ICLEI Africa staff costs are included in this premium offering fee.
- Support integrating the sustainability dimension in other projects and strategies.
- One-on-one coaching/advisory session for mayors/technical teams to enhance skills and knowledge in urban sustainability. For example: how to make sense of the Rio Conventions, a guide to the LGMA or any topic/thematic area within ICLEI's expertise (such as circular development, biodiversity, waste management, water, finance, communicating for impact etc.)
- Guidance on how to ensure that projects are both bankable and meet the eligibility criteria for finance institutions.
- Assistance with drafting a communications campaign around a project or a strategy on your website.
- Assistance with writing up profiles and contributing local actions to the UN-endorsed Action Platforms of CitiesWithNature and RegionsWithNature.
- Support in seeking and enriching twin city opportunities.



Standalone paid services

- All Members can also opt for tailor-made additional services to meet specific needs.
- For a full list of standalone paid services, see below:

Capacity building & training (online/in-person)

- Climate change 101: Why tackling climate change is essential in cities
- How to build climate resilience in coastal cities
- How to enhance disaster preparedness via city planning
- How to enable multilevel governance for the achievement of climate-resilient development
- Climate finance: Navigating how to access climate finance and/or utilise existing finance for climate action; from project idea to spade in the ground
- How to utilise urban natural assets to build climate resilience
- How to mainstream nature-based solutions that build climate resilience within city planning and decision-making
- Identifying nature's contributions to people (NCP) and using NCP to create and build better cities Local Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (LBSAP) development and ensuring vertical integration with National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plans (NBSAPs) Cities' Biodiversity Index (2-part course: Introduction to the CBI and Deep Dive)
- Understanding urban food systems governance and management
- How to apply circular economy principles for inclusive and sustainable urban development
- How to promote integrated solutions through food-water-energy nexus: lessons for governance and financing
- How to approach urban data collection for sustainability monitoring and evaluation
- Communicating for impact: Effective sustainability communications for cities



Standalone paid services (continued)

Technical services

- Greenhouse gas emissions inventories
- Vulnerability assessments
- Climate change plans – mitigation, adaptation and energy access (includes target setting), in alignment with your country's Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC)
- Ensuring climate change plans comply with global initiatives such as the Global Covenant of Mayors (GCoM) and regional initiatives such as the Covenant of Mayors in Sub-Saharan Africa (CoM SSA)
- Assist cities with reporting climate change actions into global reporting systems, such as the merged CDP-ICLEI reporting platform
- UNDRR Disaster Risk Reduction scorecard
- Disaster Risk Reduction strategies and action plans
- Vehicle emissions reduction strategies
- Food systems policy development
- Circular economy action plan development
- Strategy and implementation plan development for: food-, water-, energy-, waste systems Integrated catchment management plan development
- Benchmarking current performance as a water sensitive city/settlement
- Local Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan (LBSAP) development
- Development of thematic atlas of nature's benefits to the city
- Invasive species control and management plan development
- Assist cities to apply the Cities' Biodiversity Index
- Assist cities to set biodiversity targets and report against these
- Development of local-level indicators for sustainable development monitoring
- SDG localisation processes
- Assist with the development of communications and awareness strategies and campaigns

Finance services

- Project/programme enabler support for sustainability projects seeking funding
- Climate finance: Identifying projects and link these projects to potential donors/funders/project preparation facilities



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