MCR2030 Statement of Commitment

Goals and objectives

Making Cities Resilient 2030 (MCR2030) is an initiative that seeks to build on the success of the previous decade of advocacy work under the MCR Campaign. MCR2030 is a global platform of practitioners, thought-leaders, financiers and donors, policy makers, technical agencies, and networks with a collective commitment to contributing towards delivery of the 2030 Agenda. The platform links planning, policy, and strategy with on-the-ground support for implementation and leverage for delivery of specific actions. MCR2030 is a unique cross-stakeholder initiative for improving local resilience through advocacy, sharing knowledge and experiences, establishing mutually reinforcing city-to-city learning networks, injecting technical expertise, connecting multiple layers of government, and building partnerships at international scale.

The ultimate goal of MCR2030 is to ensure cities are becoming inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable by 2030, contributing directly to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goal 11 (SDG11) and other global frameworks including the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, the Paris Agreement and the New Urban Agenda.

Specifically, MCR2030 aims to have (1) increasing number of cities committed to reducing local disaster/climate risk and building resilience, with many demonstrably improving their sustainability through implementing disaster risk reduction, climate change adaptation and/or resilience plans and taking actions to enhance resilience, and (2) increasing number of resilience partnerships globally and regionally bringing synergized collaboration and support to cities along the resilience roadmap.

Convened by the UN in partnership with global and regional organizations, MCR2030 will support local governments with a pathway to resilience to risk-proof their cities to meet the challenges of disasters, climate change, and rapid urbanization, and provide cities with membership of a multi-partner movement dedicated to future-proofing places, people and service systems.

MCR2030 Core Partners:

- C40 Cities
- ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability
- International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC)
- Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA)
- Resilient Cities Network (R-Cities)
- United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG)
- United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-HABITAT)
- United Nations Office for Disaster Risk Reduction (UNDRR)
- United Nations Office for Project Services (UNOPS)
- The World Bank Group
- World Council on City Data (WCCD)
Commitment:

We, Core Partners of MCR2030,

... in accordance with the strategic objectives of the *Making Cities Resilient 2030*,

... linked to the Sustainable Development Goals, the priorities of the Sendai Framework for DRR, New Urban Agenda, the Paris Agreement,

... agree to be a committed Official Partner to *Making Cities Resilient 2030*.

We thereby commit to:

- strengthen collaborations with MCR2030 partners for increasing local resilience;
- share relevant experiences, best practices, tools, resources and technical information to support cities onto the resilience pathway;
- promote MCR2030’s work and objectives in local, national, regional and global fora;
- promote the aims of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the Sendai Framework for Disaster Risk Reduction, the Paris Agreement, and the New Urban Agenda at city levels;
- promote resilience and sustainability as a core part of city development strategies;
- support integrated approaches and city-led resilience planning and implementation;
- adopt an inclusive approach, taking into account the rights and needs of vulnerable groups;
- encourage wider participation in policy making, planning and implementation;
- support cities to use high-quality data, scientific data, rigorous research and analysis to inform decision making; and
- support partner organizations and cities to gain greater visibility for their work.

We will support, within the constraints of our capacity and mission, MCR2030 within our own organization, by:

- designating an MCR2030 focal point, as relevant;
- inviting cities in our network to become members of MCR2030, as feasible;
- circulating information on MCR2030 to our members and on our websites;
- supporting activities outlined in the MCR2030 strategy and roadmap, as relevant and feasible;
- linking to local governments and other relevant stakeholders; and
- sharing information, best practices, tools, and useful resources to the MCR2030 website and relevant communication.