CITY CLIMATE LEADERSHIP AWARDS

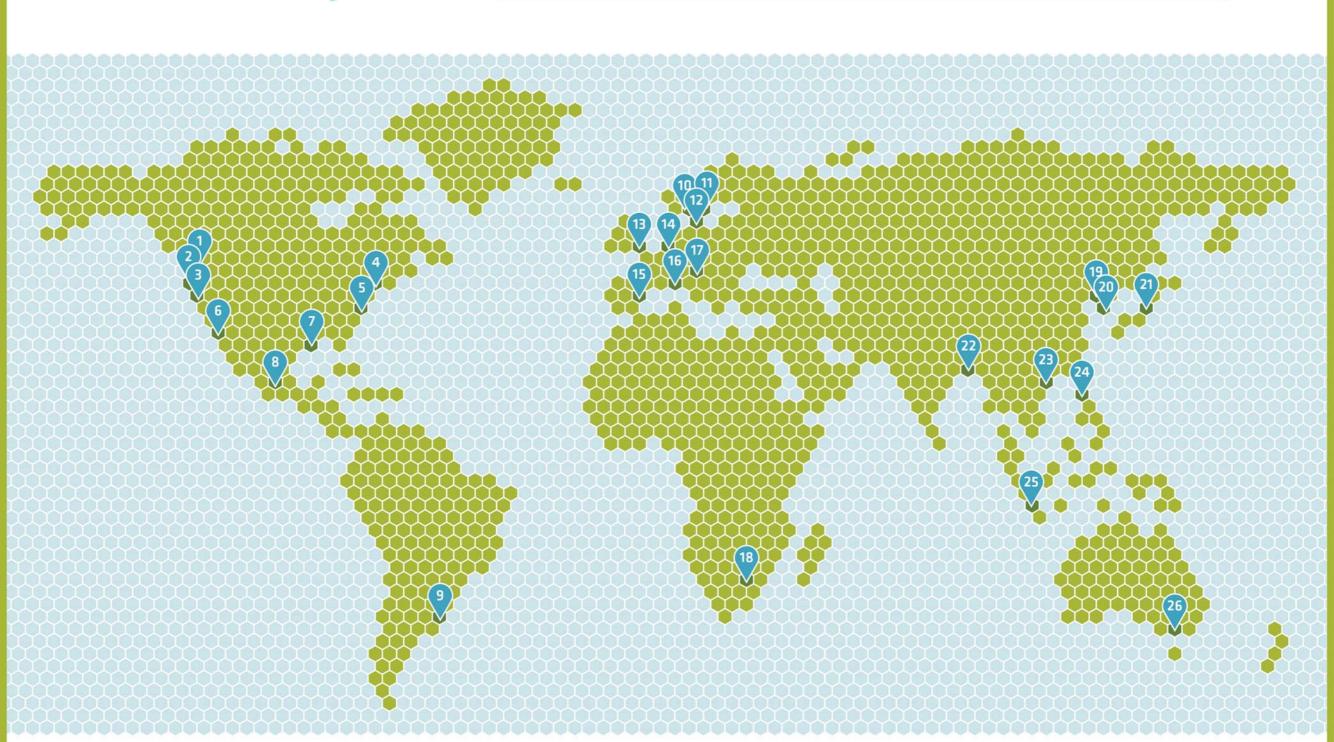## 2014 Finalists: Global Snapshot

The 2014 City Climate Leadership Awards take place on September 22nd in New York City, honoring ten cities for climate action, leadership and excellence in urban sustainability. The finalists comprise 31 projects across ten categories, covering 26 cities and 19 countries across six continents.

1. VANCOUVER
Carbon Measurement & Planning
Greenest City 2020 Action Plan: The GCAP will help double the number of green jobs, eliminate dependence on fossil fuels and make walking, cycling & transit preferred transportation options.

Green Energy
Neighborhood Energy Utility: Vancouver aims to become the World's Greenest City. This project plays a critical role through an expected 9,000 tons per year reduction in CO_2 emissions by 2020.

2. SEATTLE
Carbon Measurement & Planning
Seattle Climate Action Plan: Expected to be a carbon neutral city by 2050, the actions in this Plan reduce GHG emissions of the passenger transport and building energy sectors by 62% by 2030.

3. PORTLAND
Sustainable Communities
Healthy Connected City Network: Portland aims to bring complete neighborhoods - which are walkable, energy-efficient, and have a sustainable modal split - to 80% of the city's population by 2035.

4. NEW YORK
Energy Efficient Built Environment
Greener, Greater Buildings Plan & Mayor's Carbon Challenge: Reducing an estimated 5% of greenhouse gas emissions, this program can save the City $7 billion in energy costs and create roughly 17,800 jobs over 10 years.

5. WASHINGTON DC
Finance & Economic Development
Stormwater Retention Credit (SRC) Trading Program: The SRC program creates a market for voluntary stormwater retrofits in Washington DC, improving water retention across the district.

6. LOS ANGELES
Energy Efficient Built Environment
Street Lightning LED Conversion Project: Retrofitting street lighting in LA enhanced light quality, reduced energy consumption, reduced light pollution and improved street safety.

7. NEW ORLEANS
Adaption & Resilience
Urban Water Plan: The Greater New Orleans Urban Water Plan provides a roadmap for mitigating flood risk, limiting subsidence, and improving the quality of water.

8. MEXICO CITY
Waste Management
Barter Market: Diverting recyclable waste will ease pressure on the city's landfills as well as generating employment opportunities for citizens.

Air Quality
Real-time Monitoring of Carbon Concentrations: Data generated from assessing real-time concentrations of black carbon will provide Mexico City with a base for creating public policies that protect public health.

9. BUENOS AIRES
Waste Management
Solid Urban Waste Reduction Project: Major environmental goals for this project include treating 100% of waste prior to being sent to landfills, and reducing overall waste sent to landfills by 83% by 2017.

10. OSLO
Urban Transport
Electric Vehicles in Oslo: All municipal cars in Oslo must be emission free by 2015. A fund worth US$8.3 million is available interest-free to support agencies replacing vehicles.

11. STOCKHOLM
Sustainable Communities
Stockholm Royal Seaport: This development will improve the city's sustainability by providing 12,000 apartments and 35,000 work places that will be combined with space for recreation.

12. MALMÖ
Green Energy
100% Renewable Energy by 2030: Malmö aims to be climate neutral by 2020, emphasizing energy efficiency, reducing energy use, encouraging a green modal shift and investing in renewable energy.

13. LONDON
Carbon Measurement & Planning
Assessment of Greenhouse Gas Emissions: Using comprehensive emissions data, London will be able consider a greater range of mitigation actions and prioritize them more effectively.

Energy Efficient Built Environment
RE:FIT and RE:NEW Programs: London's RE:FIT and RE:NEW programs seek to retrofit city buildings, reducing their water use, CO_2, and NO_X emissions.

Air Quality
New Taxi for London: The New Taxi for London scheme seeks to reduce black taxi emissions by up to 100% in central London and by around 75% in the rest of the city.

14. AMSTERDAM
Finance & Economic Development
Amsterdam Investment Fund: In 2010, the Fund helped Amsterdam achieve a 20% emission reduction compared to 1990 levels, and is projected to reach 40% by 2025.

15. BARCELONA
Intelligent City Infrastructure
Urban Platform: Barcelona seeks to become a self-sufficient, hyper-connected, zero emissions city, with Information and Communications Technologies key to reaching this goal.

16. MILAN
Urban Transport
AREA C - Traffic-Restricted Zone: Milan's traffic-restricted zone has seen a 28% decrease in congestion, 49% decrease in polluting vehicles, and increase in cleaner vehicles to 16.6% of total traffic.

17. VIENNA
Intelligent City Infrastructure
Aspern Smart City Research: 240 hectares of land is being developed in Vienna as a test bed of smart city technologies, bringing 8,500 hi-tech housing units to the city.

18. JOHANNESBURG
Urban Transport
Rea Vaya Bus Rapid Transit: 71,000 people use Johannesburg's BRT system every day, exceeding the initial 65,000 estimate. The City expects 200,000 daily riders by 2020.

19. SEOUL
Green Energy
Make Seoul a City of Sunlight: Seoul is building more Photovoltaic facilities, aiming to reduce greenhouse gas emissions as well as dependence on fossil fuels and oil.

20. CHANGWON
Sustainable Communities
Sustainable Community Building Project: Changwon's Community Building Project resulted 132 community projects in 2012 alone, ranging from organic gardens to flea markets that improve recycling habits.

21. YOKOHAMA
Intelligent City Infrastructure
Yokohama Smart City Project: The YSCP demonstrates energy management and demand response across the city, contributing to the city's goal of reducing carbon emissions by 16% by 2020.

22. DHAKA
Waste Management
Integrated Solid Waste Management Plan: Dhaka hopes to collect and treat at least 68% of waste produced in the inner metropolitan area, which is a 180% increase on 2005 levels.

23. SHENZHEN
Urban Transport
New Energy Vehicle Promotion: This program has cut CO_2 emissions by 160,000 tonnes between 2009 and 2013, leading to the city to be ranked in the top 10 for best air quality in China.

Finance & Economic Development
Carbon Trading Market: Shenzhen's Carbon Trading Market deals with 40% of the city's total carbon emissions. The city projects a 30% reduction in carbon intensity by 2015.

24. TAIPEI
Air Quality
Clean Air: It's Your Move: By rewarding low-pollution vehicles and encouraging cycling and transit use, Taipei reduced pollution emissions and improved air quality and public health.

25. JAKARTA
Adaption & Resilience
Socially-Inclusive Coastal Protection: Jakarta is working to limit the impact that flooding will have on its citizens, restoring water systems and increasing capacity of rivers and canals.

26. MELBOURNE
Adaption & Resilience
Urban Landscapes Climate Adaptation Program: By increasing green space to 7.6% of municipal space and doubling the tree canopy, Melbourne is aiming to reduce drought vulnerability and cool the city by 4°C.