



May 26, 2015

Dear Mayor

We invite you to demonstrate your leadership by committing to the **Compact of Mayors** – a global coalition of the world’s leading mayors and city leaders committed to ambitious and transparent climate action. Last September, C40, ICLEI and UCLG launched [the Compact of Mayors](#) at the UN Climate Summit, in partnership with UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, his Special Envoy for Cities and Climate Change, Michael R. Bloomberg and UN-Habitat. Now is the time to send a strong message to the global community that your city is taking action.

Your leadership on urban climate action is already well-recognized within our city community, and many of you have already made your commitments public. Unfortunately the collective impact of city action is not yet well known on the global stage. The Compact of Mayors aims to recognize both new and existing local climate commitments, and make sure that these are recognized globally. By connecting to two recognized reporting platforms – carbonn Climate Registry and CDP - cities of all sizes can share their commitments publicly and report consistently on targets, activities and impact via either platform, and we can visibly demonstrate your collective investment in a sustainable future. We will also communicate your commitments to the UNFCCC’s repository for non-state action actors, [NAZCA](#) – profiling your city’s leadership.

We believe this is a critical time and an essential initiative, and one that grows in strength with each mayor and city leader who joins us. We ask you to take the first step in submitting a letter to indicate your commitment through the carbonn or CDP platforms or sending directly to info@compactofmayors.org. We hope that you will join your fellow mayors and encourage your twin cities and neighboring communities to shine a light on urban climate protection under the Compact of Mayors and to make a resounding statement in Paris this December that cities and towns are committed to a solution.

Enclosed is additional information about how to become involved. Please visit the Compact of Mayors website, www.compactofmayors.org, for more information about this exciting new effort or for more details on how to participate. We thank you for your continued commitment to global sustainability and for all your important work.

Sincerely,

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Mark Watts, C40

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Gino Van Begin, ICLEI

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Josep Roig".

Josep Roig, UCLG