

# AGENDA

28 March 2022 | 10:00-11:00 CEST | Virtual event (Zoom)

## *Decarbonising Building in Cities and Regions*

Launch of OECD report



# Decarbonising Buildings in Cities and Regions

## What's the issue?

Accounting for nearly 40% of global CO2 emissions and sometimes as much as 70% in large cities, buildings and construction are central to the low-carbon transition. Green recovery from COVID-19 and global mega trends are providing further impetus for stakeholders to take action. Cities and regions have a pivotal role to play by leveraging their prerogatives in regulation, public procurement and stakeholder engagement. To accelerate and scale up their action, cities and regions need to work with national governments through effective governance mechanisms.

The *Decarbonising Buildings in Cities and Regions* report is one of the first attempts to document the potential of subnational governments in driving the decarbonisation of buildings in a shared responsibility with national governments. Drawing on the findings from a dedicated global survey of cities and regions and a two-year policy dialogue with government officials and key stakeholders, this report analyses how cities and regions are advancing the decarbonisation of buildings, discusses the main opportunities and challenges of an effective multilevel governance approach, and provides a checklist for action for both national and subnational governments.

## About the event

This event will **present** the main findings from the *Decarbonising Buildings in Cities and Regions* report, **share** the views of senior representatives from the public and private sectors and **discuss** ways forward to scale up the decarbonisation of buildings in cities and regions.

## Registration link

[https://meetoe.cd1.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_NDhksZEXSPq4hzbW5WzLjw](https://meetoe.cd1.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_NDhksZEXSPq4hzbW5WzLjw)

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10.00-10.20

### Opening remarks

SPEAKER **Lamia Kamal-Chaoui**, Director of the Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities (CFE), OECD

**Takashi Imamura**, Director for Building Policy Development, Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, Japan

**Robert Dijksterhuis**, Envoy for Sustainable Building, Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations, The Netherlands

10.20-10.30

### Presentation of the report

SPEAKER **Atsuhito Oshima**, Senior Policy Analyst, CFE, OECD

10.30-10.55

### Discussion

Speakers will comment on the key findings of the report and share their views on how to scale up the decarbonisation of buildings in cities and regions from supranational, subnational and business perspectives. Questions/Answers will follow.

SPEAKER **Gaspard Demur**, Team Leader for National Renovation Strategies and Recovery, Directorate-General for Energy, European Commission

**Andries Gryffroy**, MP and member of the European Committee of the Regions, Flemish Parliament

**Nora Steurer**, Programme Management Officer, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) / Global Alliance for Buildings and Construction (GlobalABC)

MODERATOR **Soo-Jin Kim**, Acting Head of the Cities, Urban Policies and Sustainable Development Division, CFE, OECD

10.55-11.00

### Ways forward

## **About the OECD Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities (CFE)**

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