

By joining P4CA, you will :

- Directly support the mission of P4CA, joining the community of planners and climate professionals to define and implement climate action.
- Participate in knowledge sharing, developing solutions and action-oriented initiatives related to urban climate action, and working with a vast number of partners to share a positive vision of cities.
- Contribute to P4CA events, including during the World Urban Forum.
- Enjoy numerous networking opportunities.

**Be a driver of change to address one of the biggest challenge of our times.**

**Be at the heart of climate action in your professional practice, education and research.**

# PLANNERS FOR CLIMATE ACTION

Catalysing and accelerating climate action through responsible and transformative urban regional planning practice, education and research.

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Convened by:

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"Climate Action is one of the most urgent tasks of our century."

Planning better cities is a huge responsibility towards the future generations."

The world is going through unprecedented climate change that is resulting in considerable stress to our societies and to the environment. From shifting weather patterns that threaten food production to rising sea levels that increase the risk of catastrophic flooding, the impacts of climate change are global in scope and unprecedented in scale.

Rapid urbanization is transforming places, populations, economies, and the built environment at an exceptional speed and scale. This transformation is occurring throughout the world, and it is accelerating in many places, generating increasingly large urban conurbations and agglomerations contributing to a substantial portion of the world's greenhouse gases. Growing cities are increasingly vulnerable to the impacts of climate change through extreme climate events including floods, storm surges, sea level rise, droughts, and heat waves. In addressing this rapid transformation, infrastructure development and urban form are playing a fundamental role as key drivers of GHG emissions.

In that context of urgency, the urban planners and the climate change communities of P4CA acknowledge their critical role and responsibility in tackling the future of cities. They realize the urgent need to take sustainable pathways towards addressing climate change in their practice.



Global Climate Action  
NAZCA

### Join a community placed under the UNFCCC NAZCA platform

Planners for Climate Action is a cooperative initiative born at the 23rd Conference of Parties (COP-23, Bonn 2017) to the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC). The initiative is comprised of associations of planning practitioners and planning educators, **collectively representing to date tens of thousands of professional and expert planners worldwide**, as well as other partners active in this area. P4CA is placed under the UNFCCC's Marrakesh Partnership of non-State actors for Global Climate Action. It is registered under the NAZCA (Non-State Actors Zone for Climate Action) Platform.

Through those mechanisms, urban and regional planners have a voice and seek recognition as key players to scale-up climate action. UN-Habitat that convenes the initiative plays a key role in promoting activities of the network from capacity-building to research and advocacy.

### Join a community convened by UN-Habitat, the Lead United Nations Programme working on cities

UN-Habitat has been mandated by the United Nations General Assembly in 1978 to address urban development issues and has been working for more than forty years throughout the world. This UN organization has gained a unique and a universally acknowledged expertise in all things urban, providing guidance to countries around the world and supporting operational activities at different levels and scales in countries, cities and communities.

UN-Habitat is currently active in over 70 countries around the world, with 400 core staff and up to 2,000 project personnel at any given time, working through its headquarters in Nairobi and four regional offices for Latin America and the Caribbean, Asia and the Pacific, Arab States and Africa.

## P4CA MISSION

Together, the community of professional planners and UN-Habitat are determined to promote the value and contribution of better planning to sustainable cities facing the impacts of climate change. Without bold action today, adapting to the impacts of climate change in the future will be more difficult and costly to future generations. It is imperative that planners play a critical role in accelerating climate action through responsible and transformative urban and territorial planning practice, education and research.

## OUR MISSION

**1. PRACTICE:** Integrate climate change in the professional practices of all planners and their institutions through integrated approaches that reduce emissions, and prepare human settlements to adapt to climate change.

**2. CAPACITY-BUILDING:** Build the capacity of all planners by ensuring that all graduate-level urban/regional planning curricula prepare planners to be effective climate change professionals.

**3. RESEARCH:** Support and commission research that can strengthen knowledge at the intersection of planning practices and climate change.