



# EXCHANGE of EXPERIENCES AND GOOD PRACTICES Related to SUSTAINABILITY and to the COVENANT of MAYORS for **CLIMATE & ENERGY**

**December 13th – Seville**

## LOCAL AUTHORITIES FOR **CLIMATE AND ENERGY**

## EXPERIENCES & GOOD PRACTICES

On November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016, the Paris Agreement, the result of negotiations of representatives from 196 countries which took place in the French capital from November 30<sup>th</sup> to December 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015, entered into force. The impressive speed at which it was ratified - by 169 countries as of October 2017 - is a testimony to the global momentum and consensus which have been building up around the urgent need to act against the negative consequences of climate change.

The Directorate-General for Climate Action of the European Commission underlined the crucial role of cities, regions and local authorities in achieving the goals set by the Agreement. Indeed:

*“The agreement recognises the role of non-Party stakeholders in addressing climate change, including cities, other subnational authorities, civil society, the private sector and others.*

*They are invited to*

- *scale up their efforts and support actions to reduce emissions;*
- *build resilience and decrease vulnerability to the adverse effects of climate change;*
- *uphold and promote regional and international cooperation.”*

Thus, exactly two years after the adoption by consensus of the historical agreement, Partenia will materialise its commitment to fulfilling the ambitious goals that were set during the COP21 and those which appear in the Declaration of Ourense by gathering its members as well as experts of the struggle against climate change during a European-level working session in Seville, Spain on December 13<sup>th</sup>.

The event will seek to foster cooperation between Partenia members and the municipalities from their territories, support their ever-greater efforts to implement decisive actions aimed at making local sustainability a tangible reality and give them the necessary guidelines to be successful in their endeavour.

Representatives from Local and Local Intermediate Authorities committed to implementing sustainable development projects in their territory will gather to compare existing initiatives, create synergies and to demonstrate their crucial role in the struggle against climate change

## PROGRAMME.-

### 9.30 - 9.45 - Opening:

- Fernando Rodríguez Villalobos, President of the Diputación Provincial de Sevilla
- Mario García Bascones, Member of the Diputación provincial de Castellón in charge of sustainability, Presidency of Partenia

### 09.45 – 11.00 - The role of Local Authorities as actors of sustainability. Cooperation of Regional authorities.

- Bartolomé Nofuentes, Member of the Diputación Provincial de Valencia in charge of European Projects Secretariat Partenia
- Ciarán O'Sullivan – *Covenant of Mayors Central Office*

### 11.00 – 11.30 - The new orientations of the EU after the Paris Climate Agreement: New Challenges and Opportunities for Local Authorities until 2030.

- Joint Research Center of the European Commission in Seville

### 11.30 - 12.00 - Coffee break

### 12.00 - 13.30 - Good Practices workshop: Sustainability and Innovation towards EU2020

- Provincia de Sevilla: Covenant of Mayors related Initiatives from local municipalities
- Province de Liège: Coordinator of the Covenant of the Mayors for Climate and Energy: How can intermediate authorities support municipalities in implementing Local actions?  
Case Study: the FP7 European project « BRICKER: Energy Reduction in public Building Stock »
- **Provincia de Almería: LIFE ALCHEMIA – Toward a smart & integral treatment of natural radioactivity in water provision services.**
- Provincia de Orense: Strategy approaches promoting sustainable energy and rural development
- Provincia de Valencia: Integrated system of intelligent water leaks detection

### 13.30 - 13.40 - Closing session

- President of the Diputación Provincial de Sevilla
- Mario García Bascones, Member of the Diputación provincial de Castellón in charge of sustainability, Presidency of Partenia

### 13.40 – 15.00 – Lunch



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### **15.0 – 16.00 - Presentation of the Partenia Observatory of European Funds**

- Eduardo Navarrete EMC (European Management Consulting - TBC)
- Feedback and discussions between Partenia members

### **16.00 – 18.00 – Meeting of the Managing Board**