# Local actions and collaboration for carbon neutrality in the Republic of Korea

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION FOR CLIMATE & ENERGY TRANSITION

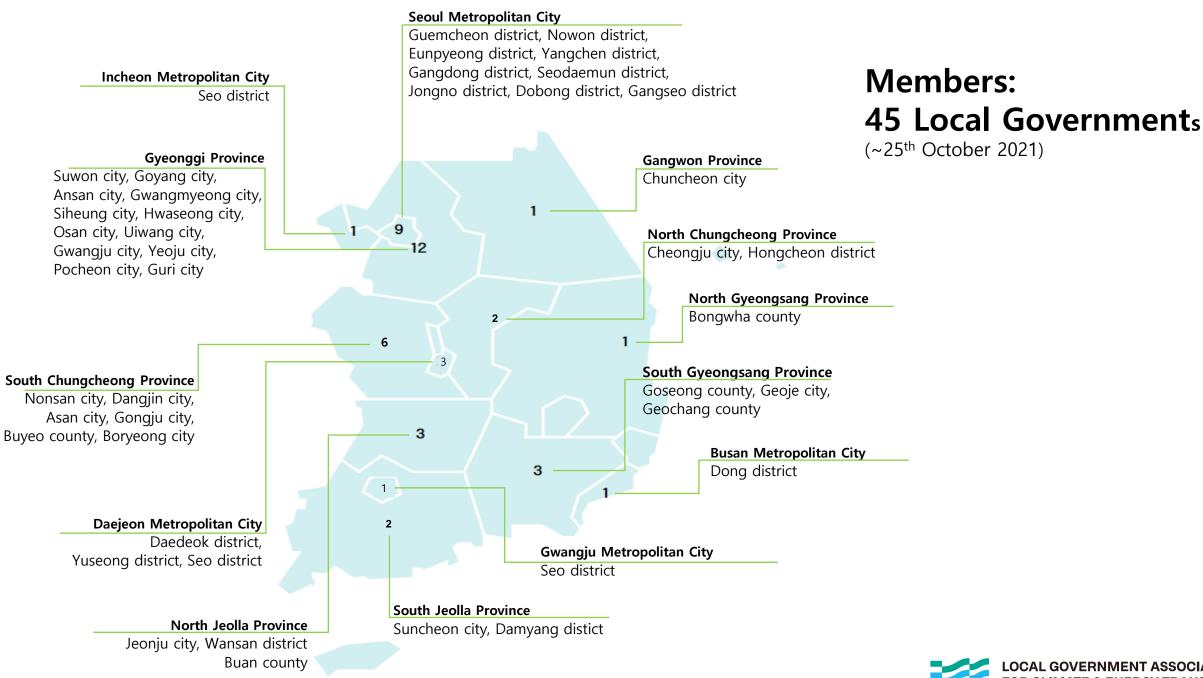
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# Local Government Association for Climate & Energy Transition



4<sup>th</sup> Executive Committee (until 31 December 2021)

Chairperson	Lee Jae Joon	Mayor of Goyang city
Vice-chairperson	Park Jeong Hyun	Mayor of Daedeok district
	Kweon Ik Hyeon	Mayor of Buan county
	Yoon Hwa Seob	Mayor of Ansan city
Secretary General	Park Seung Won	Mayor of Gwangmyeong city





### **About Association**

- 45 local governments focus on tackle climate crisis and promote energy transition to distributed renewable energy system, energy decentralization, energy independence and just transition in local communities by mutual cooperation with central governments, energy-climate related organizations, citizen societies, and other local associations.
- In January 2019, 3rd Local Government Association was launched and started proactive project and cooperation. Also, Local Energy Transition Network led by citizen societies in national wide was set up and consistently has made cooperation with the association.
- For local governments, governance with central governments and citizen is needed to strengthen the capacity and to be leading player for local energy transition and tackling climate crisis. LGACET will cooperate with various players and try to contribute for 2050 local carbon neutrality.

### What we Do

- To support local governments with following work after 'Climate Emergency Declaration'
- To participate in discussion for **2050 Local Carbon Neutrality Plan** which prioritizes tackling climate crisis and make momentum for local governments to lead carbon neutrality at local level
  - by delivering political opinion to central government and Carbon Neutrality Committee
  - by cooperating with national assembly for system, instruction and law improvement
- To enhance local capacities especially for establishing Local Climate-Energy Center (or Carbon Neutrality Center)



- To support local governments to build political capacity for transition to carbon zero society
- To cooperate with various agencies, organizations, civil societies, and other local associations from various fields
  - by collecting opinion on climate & energy transition
  - by organizing international/domestic event like conference, seminar, meeting to collect the voice and coordinate various opinions
  - by leading various projects to improve local acceptance
- To enhance online activities and promotions due to prolonged COVID-19
  - by making videos on <u>Youtube channel</u> to introduce practices at local level



we declare the following:

- 1. We declare that this is a time of climate emergency.
- 2. We set the goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions to maintain a global temperature increase of less than 1.5 degrees Celsius and work proactively towards that goal.
- 3. We urge the national government and National Assembly to promptly proclaim a state of climate emergency and declare their commitment to Carbon Neutrality 2050.
- 4. We shall expand the use of renewable energies to respond to the climate crisis, establish plans for attaining energy independence, and work for their phased implementation.
- 5. In partnership with our citizens, we shall arrange an effective institutional system to overcome the crisis of sustainability and operate it responsibly.

June 5th, 2020

Province or Town, County
City or District Position Name Signature





#### 1st EU-Korea Local Government Webinar

### Implementation of **2050 Cabon Neutrality** & Climate Budget by Local Governments



2021, 06, 08, Tuesday

Asia/Seoul 15:30~17:30 Europe/Oslo 08:30~10:30

YouTube Live-streaming EU-Korea Climate Action

Climate neutrality plans and climate budget of Oslo as the 2019 European Green Capital

- Lan Marie Nguyen Berg, Vice Mayor for environment & transport, Oslo City

#### Climate and energy governance and public education

- Seung-won Park, Mayor, Gwangmyeong City

Climate and energy transition policies and carbon-aware budgeting of lower-level local governments

- Jeong-hyeon Park, District Mayor, Daedeok District of Daejeon City

#### Facilitator

- Yu-iin Lee, Director, Institute for Green Transformation
- \* Simultaneous interpretation for English and Korean will be provided









#### 2nd EU-Korea Local Government Webinar

### City's Responsibility & Green Transition for 2050 Carbon Neutrality



2021, 06, 09, Wednesday

Asia/Seoul 16:00~18:00 Europe/Paris 09:00~11:00

YouTube Live-streaming EU-Korea Climate Action

Paris Climate Plan: Operational Roadmap to Achieve 2030 Climate Targets and Carbon Neutrality by 2050

- Dan LERT, Deputy Mayor, Paris City

Climate and Energy Policies of Goyang based on Paris Climate Agreement

- Jae-joon Lee, Mayor, Goyang City

#### Jeonju's Eco-city Plan

- Seung-su Kim, Mayor, Jeonju City

#### **Facilitator**

- Yu-jin Lee, Director, Institute for Green Transformation
- \* Simultaneous interpretation for French and Korean will be provided











# 라면이마래, The future of Gwangmyeong

# 시민과 머리를 맞대고 만들었습니다

We have made it head-to-head with citizens

## 기후에너지 전담부서 신설

Establishing the department of climate crisis and energy conversion

# 기후에너지센터 개소

Opening of the Climate and Energy Center

# 기후에너지학과개설

Establishment of Climate Energy Studies for Citizens

## 2018년 9월

2020 · 5 ·

# 2020년 6월

### 지방자치단체 최초

First among the local governments In Korea

### 수도권 최초

First in the metropolitan area In Korea

### 광명자치대학 운영

Gwangmyeong Autonomous University managed by the local government for citizens

# 시민과 함께 기후위기 극복

Efforts to cope with the climate crisis with citizens

OftheCitizens! BytheCitizens! 주민의 손으로 주민을 변화시키다

# 광명Bee에너지학교 시민강사 양성

Training some citizen instructors to teach other citizens in Gwangmyeong Bee Energy School(curriculum)



# 지역변화를 촉진하는 녹색일자리창출

Number of green jobs created to promote regional change





# 시민과 함께 기후위기 극복

Efforts to cope with the climate crisis with citizens





The Citizens create their own future by themselves 주민 스스로 미래를만들다

# 시민강사, 기후에너지 시민교육

Trained Citizen Instructors, teaching the other residents, climate energy for citizens

# 언제, 어디서나 기후에너지 교육

Providing high-quality dimate energy education to citizens, at anytime & anywhere

**26** 개 학교

Number of schools at each level that open climate education

# Creation of the Daedeok-gu Energy Transition Platform "Energy Café"



The starting point of local energy transition, fostering activists by creating energy cafes, and conducting energy transition education;

→ To create an energy independent society, it is a platform that plays a role in citizen participation and communication as a combined form of **Cafe (commercial space) + local energy center (shared space)** for all residents;



### RE100 Campaign



Daedeok-type RE100 agreement with companies promising to expand renewable energy to achieve carbon neutrality in 2050

- (Concept) A preemptive and voluntary campaign in which an enterprise within its jurisdiction declares that it will use 100% of its electricity for renewable energy,
- (Target) Companies with at least five employees located in the jurisoliction;
- (Goal) More than 12 companies peryear
- (Contents of Agreement)
- (Goal) 60% by 2030, 100% by 2040
- (Participating Enterprise) Voluntary obligation to achieve renewable energy goals
- Administrative support for the installation of renewable energy generation facilities



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[Global RE100] Voluntary campaign led by the international organization "CDP Committee" to declare that companies that consume more than 100 GWh (0.1 TWh) of electricity annually will use 100% of their electricity as renewable energy by 2050.

# Development of GHGs reduction plan to comply with the Paris Agreement



### Lay the institutional foundation

- Develop environmental policies complying with the Paris Agreement (6 areas, 17 strategies, 54 goals, and 92 tasks)
  - → Mitigation target: Reduction of its GHG by 32.8% from 2030 BAU
- Enacted the climate change response ordinance (August, 2020)
  - → Check the progress of 92 tasks to reduce carbon emissions

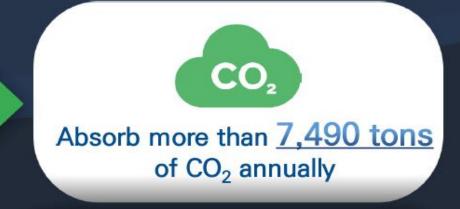


# Conservation of Carbon Sinks for the climate and environment



Conservation of the Janghang Wetland its inscription on the Ramsar List

- The Janghang Wetland was <u>included to EAAFP</u> (May, 2019)
- Effort to conserve the Janghang Wetland with citizens
- MOU among International Crane Foundation (ICF), Goyang,
- Suncheon, Chulwon Inscribed on the <u>Ramsar List</u> (May, 2021)









# Achieve a vision of city for green buildings by laying the foundation for building eco-friendly buildings



### Increasing energy efficiency of buildings

- Enacted the 「Ordinance to support for the construction of green buildings」 and 「Goyang green building construction design standards」
  - Efforts to reduce building carbon footprint with prompt green building transitions

Goyang projects to support the construction of green buildings

#### Green transition

#### Equipment cost support

Enhanced energy performance (hermetic doors/windows, insulation, etc.)

GHG emissions reduction

#### Green welfare

#### Tech/product support

Installation of low-cost and highly efficient products with green retrofit technologies

### Green diagnosis

#### Energy diagnosis

Diagnosis on outdating energy system of buildings, tech consult to improve their energy efficiency





### Strategies & Tasks of Jeonju Sustainable Eco-City

### 1. Energy Shift City

Jeonju Energy Center

2015 Organization of Jeonju Citizens' Forum for Energy Shift



Discussion with NGOs, activists, administrative organizations, and municipal council on the direction of the local energy shift. Joint Workshop of Jeonju-Citizens Forum to establish local energy plan implementation strategies.



Establishment of local energy plan with citizens in 2016

Chairman: Kim Jae-byeong (Environmental Movement) Establishment of Jeonju Citizens Sunlight Power Plant with 11 organizations, council members and experts.

Implementation of private sector projects in the local energy plan.

#### \*Jeonju Energy Center

- Intermediate support organization implementing Jeonju energy policy on sites.
- Citizens partnership project, energy saving education for citizens, formation of local network, etc.
- Zero energy building certification by renovating an existing building.

Official launch of Jeonju Citizens Forum for Energy shift in 2017



Organization of task force team in citizens forum. Discussion on position and roles of task force team. Discussion on revision of ordinances, team members & projects

Operation of Preparation

Jeonju Energy Center

Task Force Team to Promote

Launch of social cooperative by joint resolution among participants in Jeonju Citizens Forum for Energy

에너지 다소비랑 건축설계



Establishment of social cooperative for Jeonju energy shift in 2018 Discussion on operational structure of energy center based on private and public partnership in 2019



Appointing the Jeonu citizens forum for energy shift to steering committee of energy center.

Begin operation of Jeonju Energy Center in 2019

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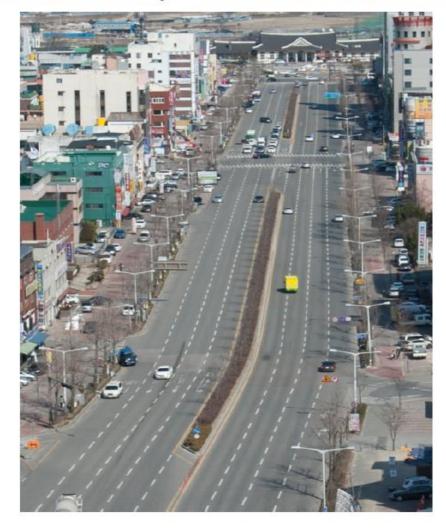
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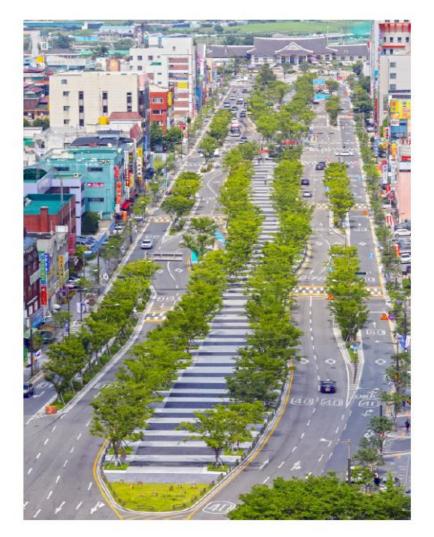
### Strategies & Tasks of Jeonju Sustainable Eco-City

### 2. Eco-Transport City

Walkable City – First Pedestrian Plaza







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