Political commitment letter to the CCRI Charter

CCRI Circular Cities & Regions Initiative

This charter formalises the cooperation between the CCRI CSO and the City/Region/Territorial Cluster of [X]

[place, date]

We, elected representative of the City/Region/Territorial Cluster of [X] recognize that

We need to move from a linear to a circular economy: Boosting circularity is part of the policy response to address systemic crisis such as climate change, pollution, waste generation and biodiversity loss. The transition towards a sustainable, regenerative, inclusive and just circular economy plays a significant role in the EU's recovery from the adverse socio-economic and environment impacts of the COVID-19 crisis, by providing systemic solutions for sustainable growth and economic recovery

Local and regional authorities play a key role: The circular economy concept should be strongly embedded in local and regional economies as cities and regions are suitable levels for closing material loops and creating sustainable circular ecosystems. It will contribute to implement the Sustainable Development Goals at local and regional level.

Breaking the silos and sharing insights is crucial: The roll-out of a circular economy requires a new form of governance. Innovative method of collaboration bringing competences and stakeholders together, both at local level or with other peers to foster mutual learning and build on existing knowledge and initiatives - is paramount to establishing an effective circular economy.

We, elected representative of the City/Region/Territorial Cluster of [X] commit to

Joining the CCRI as a pilot group member / Fellow.

Developing, implementing and improving Circular Economy Action Plans, Circular Systemic Solutions and/or Circular Economy Investment Plans with support of the CCRI-CSO (for pilot group members only).

Sharing experiences with the other members of the pilot group/Fellows, the CCRI Projects, the Associated Partners and other stakeholders not directly involved in this initiative.

Participating in the CCRI activities.