

Environment Committee - Regional Climate Action Planning

At the Global Congress for Climate Change & Sustainability Professionals
December 9, 2019 (1pm-3pm)

We will be holding our December Environment Committee in conjunction with the first Global Congress for Climate Change & Sustainability Professionals, which is from Dec. 9-12 at The Westin Chicago Northwest at 400 Park Blvd. in Itasca.

The Environment Committee meeting on Dec. 9 will support our work to develop a regional climate action plan that connects our Greenest Region Compact (GRC) to the Global Covenant of Mayors (GCoM) for Climate and Energy to reduce impacts of climate change and build thriving, resilient communities. The GCoM recognized the GRC collaboration as a leading force in municipal sustainability and one of just four metropolitan regions in the US chosen to demonstrate the power of regional and collaborative planning for climate change. The meeting on Dec. 9 is a follow-up to the kick-off meeting held in Chicago in October.

Please join us at this interactive session, as we strategize to create a plan that connects our GRC Communities with 9,200 global cities and 131 countries working to build sustainable and livable cities. We will build on foundational work done by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) to inventory greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in the region. Our Chicago regional climate plan will connect local actions to critical global targets for GHG reduction to amplify our collective impact on climate change.

Environment Committee members and GRC Community representatives will have the opportunity to attend the full conference from Dec. 9-12 at a 10% discounted rate by clicking on the following link and entering the promo code "WeAreTogether-MMC": <https://www.accoissp.org/registration-regular> The registration rate for governments is \$400 for members/\$475 for non-members of the Association of Climate Change Officers and International Society of Sustainability Professionals. Rates increase on Thursday, Nov. 21.

To attend the Environment Committee meeting only on Dec. 9 at no charge, please go to <https://www.accoissp.org/metromayors> and choose "Register for this session only."

We are excited to announce that Environment Committee Chairman and City of Geneva Mayor Kevin Burns will be providing opening remarks at the Global Congress on Dec. 10.