

## Circular Development and Climate Action: ICLEI engagements during COP25

### ***“Circular Cities for Nature. Protecting biodiversity through local and regional circular economy strategies” (GPSC Peer exchange session)***

**Venue:** Polytechnic University of Madrid, room D

**Date and time:** Monday, 09 December 2019 from 14:00 to 15:30

**Partners:** ICLEI, GEF, C40, World Resources Institute

**Theme:** The session will explore the linkages between circular economy and biodiversity protection. An interactive panel discussion will explore current opportunities, challenges and tradeoffs and will be followed by concrete examples from four cities from four world regions which will showcase how they have used circular economy solutions to protect local and regional biodiversity.

### ***LESC Dinner “Circular Economy: Driving systems transformation towards net zero” (invitation only)***

**Venue:** Casino de Madrid

**Date and time:** Monday, 09 December 2019 from 18:30 to 23:00

**Partners:** ICLEI, WBCSD, SDSN

**Theme:** The aim is to promote dialogue between business, government and academia on what it means to realize a circular economy across to various sectors and what are the key solutions to getting to achieve cross-sectoral net zero emissions across all sectors by mid-century in a way that yield multiple co-benefits.

### **High-level circular economy roundtable: Cities and buildings as agents of climate action**

**Venue:** Pedro de Atacama Climate Action Room, Hall 4, Blue Zone

**Date and time:** Tuesday, 10 December 2019, 10:00 – 11:30

**Partners:** Global Climate Action (MPGCA): ICLEI and UN Environment as co-leads. Additional partners: FMDV, REN21, CCAC, WBCSD, ICC, UN-Habitat, SLoCaT, SIWI/AGWA, FAO, ITF

**Theme:** This session will look at how circular economy principles can be applied in the built environment to drive climate action. The role of cities, buildings, and other key actors as circular economy agents will be discussed. [More information.](#)

### **De-Carbonization and SDGs Localization: Challenge of Local and Regional Governments to achieve circulating and ecological economy**

**Venue:** Japan Pavilion

**Date and time:** Tuesday, 10 December 2019, 17:30 – 19:00

**Partners:** ICLEI Japan Office, International Strategy Division, Global Environmental Bureau, Ministry of the Environment, Japan

**Theme:** This side event aims at introducing the latest activities and challenges of local governments working to improve the overall environment, society and economy through decarbonization, SDGs localization and circular economy and thus hoping to contribute to the UNFCCC discussion. [More information.](#)