

## Familiar Actors in New Roles! Regional Coordination for Local Climate Action

Wednesday, **November 8<sup>th</sup>**, 10-11 a.m., **Bonn Zone**

*„Talanoa means that you sit together, you share experiences, you respect each other ... you build relationships, ... and during all of this you gather information.“*

- Fijian chief negotiator, ambassador Nzhat Shameem Khan

### TOGETHER,

- we have explored the possible role of intermediary regional/ territorial actors in climate action,
- learned about different forms of regional leadership,
- arrived at an understanding of how to best support these actors.

**THE SESSION** was hosted by the *Deutscher Landkreistag* (German County Association), representing all 294 *Landkreise*. The inspiration stems from an adelphi project, supported by the German Federal Ministry for the Environment (BMUB), empowering counties to lead local authorities in climate action.

**WELCOME & INTRODUCTION:** Deutscher Landkreistag; Dr. Marcus Andreas, adelphi

Thesis: Local climate action undertaken by local governments can profit from (collaborative) regional leadership, e.g. by districts, counties and provinces.

**CONVERSATION** with **Anita Schneider**, Head of District Authority, District of Gießen

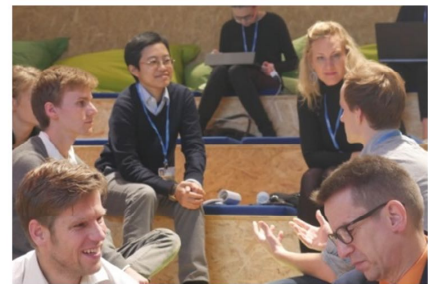
Key insights into how to solve the “puzzle” of regional coordination, e.g. by creating an “energy board” but also through calling forth emotions and empathy.

**WORKSHOP** on “Similar roles, various interpretations”

The workshop-part invited examples from the audience, on the question(s): “*What forms of regional leadership for local climate action do you value?, ...would you like to see emerging in your context?*” Answers included waste and transport systems, but also highlighted the role of trust in relationships.

Germany:  
a) federal system  
b) applied subsidiarity principle  
c) climate action = voluntary  
> 11.000 Cities, munic's and towns  
< 300 Landkreise

**Taking a New Role:  
Regional Coordinator  
for Climate Action!**



**KEY LISTENER:** **Scott A. Muller**, Chair LEDES GP Working Group on Subnational Integration

Scott placed the session in a larger picture and highlighted urban-rural relationships (in times of rapid urbanisation especially in the Global South) as well as the benefits of shared data and information.

**PRESENTER:** **Dr. Ulrich Maurer**, Under2Coalition and Head of Department Europe and Int'l Cooperation, Ministry of the Environment, Climate Protection and the Energy Sector Baden-Württemberg

**HOW TO BEST SUPPORT  
REGIONAL COORDINATION?**

Ulrich Maurer took climate action to another level by explored the states' potential to support (and scale up) subnational/ regional leadership.

**DISCUSSION**  
with the speak-  
ers standing at  
high tables



Dr. Ulrich Maurer · Anita Schneider · Saskia Schütt · Scott A. Muller · Marcus Andreas



# FAMILIAR ACTORS in NEW ROLES



Regional coordination for LOCAL climate action

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HOW TO BEST SUPPORT REGIONAL COORDINATION?



DR. ULRICH MAUERER  
UNDRR2 COORDINATOR



WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO ACT?



SCOTT A. MULLER  
LEDS GP



INFORMATION & DATA EXCHANGE



Work is not financial

WORK OUT Processes on a STRONGER SCALE



Municipal Climate Relation fact

- LEADING BY EXAMPLE
- FUNDING
- PROXIMITY to Citizens



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TAKING A NEW ROLE: REGIONAL COORDINATION FOR CLIMATE ACTION!



ANITA SCHNEIDER  
HEAD OF DISTRICT AUTHORITY

WHY LEAD climate action in such a way? → EVERYBODY is needed



COMMON DATA BASE

Heat Energy, BREAK DOWN TOPIC

IMPLEMENT SUCCESSFUL PROJECT



Emotions & Empathie



EFFECTIVE COORDINATION with Regions



LOCAL

CONCLUSION

CREATING SPACES & OPPORTUNITIES

REFRESHING to HEAR WHAT CHALLENGES Germany Takes!



Come in & join us!



WHAT FORMS OF CLIMATE ACTION DO YOU VALUE? ...WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE?

Key to Public Transport especially in Rural Areas



Vinaka! Please join us again\*

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