**Regions Race to Resilience**

**Regions4** is a global network of subnational governments mobilizing ambitious leadership of regions for impactful action on Climate, Biodiversity & Sustainable Development, to build a resilient future for all.

At the Paris Climate COP21 in 2015, Regions4 launched **RegionsAdapt**, the first global initiative that inspires and supports subnational governments in developing ambitious adaptation strategies, implementing concrete actions and transparently reporting on their progress. With more than 70 signatory members impacting over 300 million citizens, RegionsAdapt is mobilizing ambition on adaptation worldwide.

Since 2021, RegionsAdapt is an official partner of the Race to Resilience, focusing on engaging subnational governments (states, regions and provinces) in the global effort of raising ambition in adaptation to tackle climate change.

**RegionsAdapt leads the Regions Race to Resilience which offers States and Regions the unique opportunity to showcase action, drive ambition and learn from peers around the world.**

The **Race to Resilience** is a global campaign led by the Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action High-Level Climate Champions – launched in January 2021 to catalyse a step change in global ambition for climate resilience, putting people and nature first in pursuit of a resilient world where we don't just survive climate shocks and stresses, but thrive in spite of them.

The Race to Resilience aims to catalyse action by non-state actors to build the resilience of 4 billion people from vulnerable groups and communities to climate risks by 2030.
WHAT DO STATES AND REGIONS COMMIT TO WHEN JOINING THE REGIONS RACE TO RESILIENCE?

States and Regions who want to demonstrate their leadership on adapting to climate change and join the Regions Race to Resilience are invited to commit to the following pledges:

1. ASSESS
climate change impacts through vulnerability risk assessments that include all vulnerable communities

2. PLAN
prioritize and adopt an ambitious adaptation plan and/or programme (mainstreaming adaptation into other sectoral policies), including the most vulnerable, with interim targets and long-term goals

3. ACT
to implement concrete actions on adaptation in key identified priority areas

4. REPORT
annually on their progress through the CDP States and Regions reporting platform to inform and improve policies and actions, and track their commitments to the Race to Resilience

BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATING IN REGIONSADAPT

When regional government engage with the RegionsAdapt initiative, they:

Demonstrate leadership
in becoming part of the global solution to tackle climate change and build resilience

Access the Race to Resilience
joining RegionsAdapt automatically qualifies your State or Region to be a part of the Race to Resilience led by the High-Level Climate Champions, ensuring formal recognition for your efforts by the UNFCCC

Join a dynamic network
learn from peers and exchange knowledge, experiences and good practices with leading regional governments from across the world to improve your climate adaptation actions

Access useful tools and events
participate in our RegionsAdapt Community of Practice webinars, or stay up-to-date with latest information, opportunities and resources through our dedicated newsletter

Participate in shaping a common voice
by joining RegionsAdapt advocacy actions and collective messaging to better position the key role and expertise of regions in relation to climate adaptation

Increase visibility and recognition
by accessing global campaigns such as #RegionsVoice or #WhatsAtState, by sharing your expertise through publications or events, and by featuring your relevant case studies in the RegionsAdapt Annual Report, all shared with the Race to Resilience
HOW TO JOIN THE REGIONS RACE TO RESILIENCE

The RegionsAdapt initiative is open to all governments situated between the local and national level, at the level of subnational/regional government around the globe.

Joining RegionsAdapt and the Regions Race to Resilience is easy:

1. Visit the Regions Race To Resilience webpage and learn more about how this can benefit your region.

2. Sign the online adhesion form.

Once confirmed, there will be a follow up call and announcement of your adhesion through Regions4 and the Race To Resilience social media platforms.

Joining RegionsAdapt and therefore the Regions Race To Resilience does not entail any cost.

"Regional governments are key actors in the race against climate change, and their actions to bring climate adaptation to the same level of mitigation, to eventually achieve global resilience, cannot be overlooked. Thanks to partners like Regions4 the word is getting out there for the Race to Resilience to achieve the goal to protect and empower 4 billion people from the most vulnerable communities to climate change by 2030."

Nigel Topping
UN High-Level Climate Champion

Join RegionsAdapt to join the Regions Race to Resilience

Get in touch with us to know more: regionsadapt@regions4.org