

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

Wednesday, **November 8th**, 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 exploring 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 · Dr. Marcus Andreas



MODERATOR
MARCUS
ANDREAS

FAMILIAR ACTORS in NEW ROLES



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Regional coordination for LOCAL climate action

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Anita
SCHNEIDER
Head of District
Authority

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for Climate action!

WHY LEAD
Climate action
in such a way? → EVERY
BODY
is needed

It's like a
PUZZLE



DIFFERENT ACTORS & ROLES

Common
DATA
BASE

WHAT
is needed?
BREAK
DOWN
TOPIC

Heat
ENERGY

99%
Fossil
Fuel

IMPLEMENT
SUCCESSFUL
PROJECT

Country
Council
Decision

How to
BRING
the
ACTORS
TOGETHER?

Plan

PERSONNEL
STRUCTURE

KEY ELEMENT
ENERGY
BOARD

Emotions &
Empathie

WHAT DOES IT TAKE
TO ACT?



SCOTT A.
MULLER
LEDS GP

RAPID CITY GROWTH

INFORMATION &
DATA
EXCHANGE

New Relationship → BUILDS TRUST

RURAL
AREAS

Cities

How can
they benefit
from City-GROWTH?

Limits a
NOT Financial

HOW TO BEST SUPPORT
REGIONAL COORDINATION?



DR. ULRICH MAURER
UNDER2 Coalition

WE HAVE A
SANDWICH
Nations
CITIES
POSITION

From Local to GLOBAL
GO international



...to make
it WORK on a
BIGGER
scale!

CONCLUSION

CREATING
SPACES &
OPPORTUNITIES

REFRESHING
to HEAR
WHAT
CHALLENGES
GERMANY
Takes!

SUPPORTED BY
a NETWORK



WORK OUT
Processes
on a
SMALLER
scale

Municipal climate Relation fact
SUPPORT
FOR REGIONS

- Leading By Example
- Funding
- Proximity to Citizens



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WHAT
FORMS
OF REGIONAL
COORDINATION
FOR LOCAL
CLIMATE ACTION
DO YOU
VALUE?
OR:
...WOULD
YOU LIKE
TO SEE
in your context?

Key to
Public Transport
ESPECIALLY in RURAL
AREAS

EFFECTIVE
COORDINATION
with
REGIONS
Governmental

Associations
OLD to Renovated

move it

TRUST?
Local

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UNITING
FOR CLIMATE ACTION

Vinaka! Please join us again*

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