



ECOLISE welcomes EC Communication on the Climate Pact initiative

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ECOLISE welcomes the European Commission's Communication on the Climate Pact initiative. Through it citizens, communities and other non-state actors across Europe now have an opportunity to impact the decision making process to ensure a more sustainable, more resilient, and healthier future, one that they are fully invested in and are already taking ownership of.

Meera Ghani, ECOLISE Policy Coordinator said: *“We are excited to work with the European Commission on its Climate Pact and are hoping that our action programme Communities for Future, which offer spaces for learning, inspiring and collaborating becomes one of the corner stones for community and citizens engagement within the Pact.”*

Communities for Future aims to mainstream regenerative and transformative community-led action on climate change and sustainability. It involves a Europe-wide call to action for citizens and communities; national and regional level access to information and support for engaged citizens and communities; strategic action towards transformative policy, legislative and institutional change; and the upskilling of transformative changemakers through education, training and sharing of best practice.

“We are hoping that aside from providing this Climate pact platform and for an opportunity to connect with the many innovative and brilliant efforts across Europe, the EU will also be providing the much needed direct financial support to community-led initiatives so that they can be scaled out. This is vital in order for the systemic transformation that is required to ensure that all people and the planet thrive,” added Ghani.

Many ECOLISE members have submitted their applications to become Climate Ambassadors, roles that will be announced during the Climate Pact launch on December 16th. ECOLISE also hopes [that our projects](#) such as the Climate Coaches, UrbanA, COMETS and our Communities of Practice can inform the work of the Climate Pact.

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