



**RegionsAdapt**  
**Official partner**  
**of the Race To**  
**Resilience**

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*We are part of a global movement that works to build the resilience of 4 billion people from groups and communities who are vulnerable to climate risks.*



The Race to Resilience is a global campaign led by the Marrakech Partnership for Global Climate Action High-Level Climate Champions – Nigel Topping and Gonzalo Muñoz –, 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 campaign aims to catalyse action by non-state actors that **builds the resilience of 4 billion people** from vulnerable groups and communities to climate risks, by 2030.

The UNFCCC has called for enhanced action on adaptation, highlighting that it must be addressed with the same priority as mitigation. To develop and implement effective adaptation strategies, all levels of government need to be engaged.

Due to their key position between national and local levels, **subnational governments facilitate coordination and policy coherence, innovate, and develop ambitious plans and adaptation actions that are crucial for long-term resilience.**



**RegionsAdapt**, proud partner of the Race to Resilience, **is the international initiative engaging subnational governments** (states, regions and provinces) in the global effort of raising ambition in adaptation to achieve the goal of the Race to Resilience.

RegionsAdapt is a unique platform that **inspires and supports subnational government in developing ambitious adaptation strategies, implementing concrete actions, and transparently reporting on their progress**, while actively contributing to building resilience for regions' most vulnerable communities with a multi-level governance approach. With 77 signatory members impacting over 300 million citizens RegionsAdapt is mobilizing ambition on adaptation worldwide.

**77 regional governments worldwide have already committed to continue working to adapt their territories while building resilience for the most vulnerable communities.**



## WHAT DO REGIONS COMMIT TO UPON JOINING?

- 1. Take stock** of the current impacts of climate change in their territory by developing a vulnerability risk assessment that includes all vulnerable communities;
- 2. Plan, prioritize and adopt** an ambitious adaptation plan and/or programme (mainstreaming adaptation into other sectoral policies) and including the most vulnerable, with interim targets and long-term goals;
- 3. Implement** concrete actions on adaptation in key identified priority areas;
- 4. Report annually** on their progress through RegionsAdapt / CDP reporting platform to inform and improve policies and actions, and the Resilience Pathways of the Marrakesh Partnership.

Priority areas: Water resources and management, Resilience and disaster risk reduction, Agriculture and zootechnics, Forestry, protected areas and biodiversity, Infrastructure and territorial planning, Economic impacts and opportunities, and Social adaptation and impacts



## RegionsAdapt HAS PLEDGED TO:

- 1. Double the number of signatory regions** working on building resilience from 70 to 140, raising the number of impacted people by 2030, positioning RegionsAdapt as the voice of subnational governments in the Race to Resilience.
- 2. Increase the number of regions developing adaptation plans** and integrating climate change adaptation and resilience in sectoral policies and local development planning.
- 3. Support regions in developing, adopting and improving their adaptation plans** and/or programmes (mainstreaming adaptation into other sectoral policies) through capacity building, knowledge exchange, compilation and dissemination of good practices, and cooperation amongst peers.
- 4. Support regions with capacity building and information in order to raise the number of implemented adaptation actions targeting vulnerable communities.**
- 5. Increase the number of regions reporting annually** and report back on their annual progress to inform the Marrakesh Partnership and members pathways on adaptation and resilience.

**Members of RegionsAdapt are automatically part of the Race to Resilience campaign. We encourage all members who are not yet part of the RegionsAdapt to join us in this global effort!**



## HOW TO JOIN?

Regional governments interested on being part of the Race to Resilience can do so **by joining the RegionsAdapt** initiative and are required to:

1. Complete and sign the [adhesion form](#) accepting the key RegionsAdapt commitments. Interested regions can request de adhesion form through email at [climate@regions4.org](mailto:climate@regions4.org)
2. Assign two representatives from your region who will work directly with us throughout the initiative.
3. Annoucement of your pledge to the campaign, and that you have joined

Regions joining RegionsAdapt **automatically become part of the Race to Resilience** and pledge to implement the commitments mentioned above. Member regions benefit from the initiative's support in enhancing their visibility, strengthening their capacities, and showcasing their leadership in adaptation and resilience.



## WHAT BEING PART OF THE RACE TO RESILIENCE MEANS FOR YOU

Being part of the Race to Resilience means you are part of a global effort to healthy, resilient, zero carbon recovery that adapts to future threats, protects livelihoods and unlocks inclusive, sustainable growth.

All members, through their partner initiatives (RegionsAdapt) **are committed** to the R2R Goal of making 4 billion people more resilient by 2030. Members can:

- **Take direct action** to contribute to the achievement of the R2R goal, through RegionsAdapt commitments.
- **Advance a transformation** that will help achieve the R2R goal.

COP27 in Egypt will be a key moment to define an adaptation goal, and is the opportunity to come together to advance ambition and action on building resilience, and thereby contributing to the success of the Conference and the Paris Agreement.

**We encourage all members to widely celebrate you being part of the campaign and announce how you are contributing to the R2R goal before and at COP26.**



## ANNOUNCING YOU ARE PART OF THE RACE TO Resilience

The Climate Champions Team has developed a series of communications resources to help you make your announcement. We encourage you to use these to convey and share your actions and commitments.

### Please be sure to follow:

- R2R [Member Toolkit](#)
- R2R [Announcement Guidelines](#)
- R2R [Logo Guidelines](#) and [Brand Toolkit](#)
- R2R [Overview Deck](#)
- R2R [Trello Board](#)

**Words matter!** Please use the main messages for R2R members (available in the Member toolkit) and Regions4/RegionsAdapt key messages to tailor and reinforce your announcement.

**Share your progress!** Members interested in showcasing their actions can engage with the Marrakech Partnership/RegionsAdapt climate events towards COP27 events and visit the Resilience Hub.





**THANK YOU!**

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