



# Context setting: Learnings from Cities for Clean Air

Future Cities: Developing Sustainable Urban Areas in Asia

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# Cities for Clean Air



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An initiative by Clean Air Asia for cities which provides:

- International recognition for actions addressing air pollution
- Guidance in making targeted and informed decisions
- Facilitation of learning opportunities and collaboration with stakeholders

# Cities for Clean Air



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Launched at BAQ 2016,  
piloting completed in 3  
cities:

- Baguio, Iloilo and Santa Rosa (Philippines)

## Participating Cities



# What cities need to do

Engage people  
to take action

## INSTITUTIONAL COORDINATION



## ENGAGING NEW STAKEHOLDERS



Consolidate and  
communicate  
data

## AIR QUALITY INFORMATION



## UNDERSTANDING POLLUTION SOURCES



## AIR POLLUTION REDUCTION



## PLANNING AND INFRASTRUCTURE



Implement actions  
to address air  
pollution

# Roadblocks to mainstreaming AQM action into development planning

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- Compartmentalization of AQM into the environment agency
- Challenge of aligning programs and activities of different city agencies
- Integrative method for prioritizing measures not being used (e.g. co-benefits approach)
- *Lack of an integrated planning system*

# Session objectives

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- Take the opportunity for practitioners and implementors of urban solutions to discuss mainstreaming air quality management, with an emphasis on contextualizing these within challenges cities face