



Conférence des chefs
de gouvernement
des Régions partenaires

The Québec Joint Declaration on Energy Transition

WE, THE LEADERS AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PARTNER REGIONS

Aware that to achieve meaningful goals in sustainable technology development, and protection of the world's environmental resources, our societies must accelerate the transition to renewable energy and environmentally friendly methods of production and consumption;

Reaffirming that we must all be committed to building a new, strong, low-carbon economy;

Addressing the importance of taking actions to strengthen subnational cooperation on energy transition issues;

Considering the complementary and plural nature of our jurisdictions as well as our combined energy potential as shown by the database created by the RLS Energy Network.

1. **AFFIRM** our desire to see our regions become, by 2030, leaders in energy transition, primarily in relation to renewable energy and energy efficiency, in order to build a new, strong, low-carbon economy;
2. **TASK** the partner regions' RLS Energy Network with expanding our dialogue on energy transition, primarily respecting renewable energy and energy efficiency;
3. **COMMIT** our regions to protect and improve people's quality of life and health through energy policies specially adapted to changing environmental conditions;
4. **CREATE** a governance working group on best energy transition practices consistent with actions taken by the RLS Energy network researchers. The group will have three missions: to share expertise and information about the use of renewable energy and energy efficiency, particularly in relation to funding; to identify opportunities for cooperation between the regions; and to suggest actions energy leaders can take ahead of the 10th Regional Leaders' Summit;
5. **INVITE** political representatives and experts to a high-level conference on energy that will meet prior to the next Regional Leaders Summit, to follow up on the Declaration and strengthen cooperation on energy transition among the partner regions.
6. **RECALL** the ongoing discussions of the last years, ranging from digitalization and innovation to energy transition. The technological and social change emerging from these developments will be the focus of the 10th Regional Leaders Summit in Upper Austria in 2020 on the topic of "Smart Regions".

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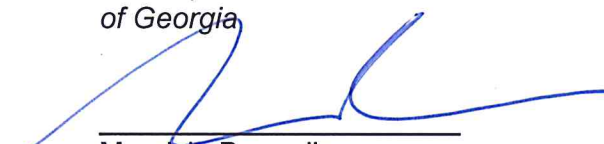
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