



# CoGovernance

## LUND, SWEDEN

### Emissions domains addressed by the ECT Activity



Multi-sector  
waste  
management &  
disposal



Land use  
(agriculture,  
forestry & other  
land uses)

### Key Terms

Governance Model | Private Sector Engagement | Local Climate Contracts | Capacity Building | Peer Learning | Three-Zone Framework

### Levers of Change

Democracy and participation | Financing and funding | Governance and policy | Learning and capabilities

### Context & Challenges

Lund recognizes that only a small fraction of necessary climate actions fall under municipal control, highlighting the importance of multi-stakeholder collaboration. Building on a successful innovation district governance model, CoGovernance scales this framework citywide. The model enables structured collaboration across sectors using a three-zone engagement framework and stepwise local climate contracts. This governance and capacity-building project creates enabling conditions for future climate action rather than direct emissions reductions. This approach supports diverse stakeholders in co-creating roadmaps and portfolios for climate neutrality, making the model transferable to cities with varying capacities. The project builds on and complements Lund's Pilot City Project (CoPilot) on portfolio management.

#### Objectives

- Adapt and scale the three-zone governance model citywide
- Develop new local climate contracts for stakeholder commitment
- Engage at least 40 stakeholders in analyzing climate opportunities
- Create collaborative roadmaps and project portfolios
- Conduct four peer-to-peer learning events with other European cities
- Perform international outlook on best practices (scientific and practitioner-based)
- Build replicable tools for multi-actor governance

### Activities & Innovations

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- Adapt the innovation collaboration model to climate context at citywide scale
- Arrange workshops with private stakeholders within two themes: (1) climate transition/energy in buildings/infrastructure, and (2) financing
- Analyse policy and stakeholder landscapes to design future-oriented roadmaps
- Develop tools and a stepwise model for deepening climate commitments
- Create guidance materials for model replication in other cities

### Expected Impact & Outcomes

Short-term, during the 18-month project duration:

- Operational citywide governance model engaging 40+ stakeholders
- New stepwise climate contracts formalizing commitments
- Enhanced municipal staff capacity for multi-stakeholder collaboration
- Increased collaboration capacity across the stakeholder ecosystem

Long-term, post-project:

- Accelerated private sector-led climate action and investments
- Improved project bankability and access to financing
- Replicable governance framework transferable to cities at varying maturity levels
- Strengthened ecosystem-wide collaboration capacity extending to partner cities

