**Speech of Mayor George Ferguson**

**in his presentation of carbonn Climate Registry**

**at the World Summit Climate and Territories in Lyon**

**on 2 July 2015.**

It is a great pleasure for me to address you here in Lyon in my capacity as the Mayor of Bristol in the UK, the 2015 Green Capital of Europe.

The carbonn Climate Registry is a voluntary process designed by and for local and subnational governments to ensure the global transparency and accountability of their climate efforts.

As of March 2015, more than 500 cities and regions, representing more than 14% of world´s urban population, were engaged in this effort, thanks to valuable partnerships with 12 national and global initiatives, including the Compact of Mayors as its central repository and Compact of States and Regions as one of its reporting platforms.

carbonn also supports the NAZCA Platform as the prime data partner since its launch in December 2014.

Transparent data provided by more than 200 local governments reveals that their commitments in community GHG emissions reduction and their measures is estimated to reach 1 billion ton of CO2 by 2020 – equal to the total emissions reductions achieved by the European Union over the 1990-2012 period.

So here is my appeal to all my fellow Mayors, and subnational leaders;

1. **Global Data supports Global Advocacy**: lets accelerate robust reporting of our commitments, performance and actions.
2. **Commitment accelerates Action:** In order to ensure this 1 billion ton GHG reduction commitment by 2020, lets scale-up our Transformative Actions and ask national and global partners in Paris 2015 to mobilize additional resources.