Local Governments for Sustainability

# Community vitalization through SDGs

# Utilizing local renewable energy

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# Important role cities can play is increasingly being recognized Proactive actions are being taken by cities

#### I.C.L.E.I Local Governments for Sustainability

### High Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development

- Follow-up and review of SDGs at the global level
- 2018: Transformation towards sustainable and resilient societies





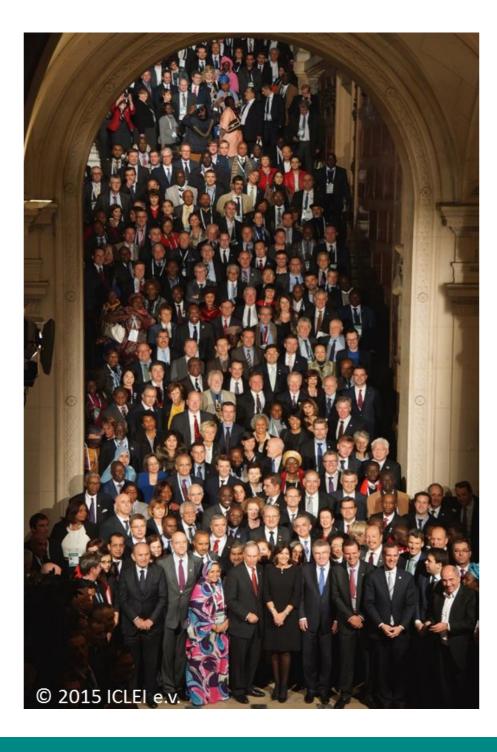
### Marrakesh Partnership for Global Climate Action

 Initiative to catalyze action among nations and climate stakeholders including businesses, local and regional governments, civil society and national governments











#### Global 100% RE Cities and Regions Network

Cities, towns and regions with:

- a 100% RE target in at least one sector or commitment to explore the 100% RE pathway
- interest in international cooperation

Community of practice for knowledge exchange and policy dialogue

- inclusive, global
- access is free of charge

Join us! Engage in the Global 100% RE Cities and Regions Network <u>100re.network@iclei.org</u> www.iclei.org/lowcarboncity/100RE

More on the Global 100% RE Campaign at go100re.net

RENEWABLES

# Focusing on local renewable energy

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# SUSTAINABLE GEALS



- Local renewable energy within the context of SDGs
- Energy is **fundamental** to local sustainability
- Promotion of local renewable energy
  - Local circulation of energy cash flow
  - Local economic development, job creation
  - Involvement of the **community / local businesses**
  - Integrative approach to solve multiple local challenges (e.g. aging society, resilience, energy security)











**3** GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEIN

### Local Renewables Conference 2017

Creating and Networking Energy Autonomous Community for a Low Carbon Society

7-8 September 2017, Nagano Japan









LOCAL

# **THE NAGANO DECLARATION**

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Local leaders working together to achieve 100% Renewable Energy cities and regions

8 September 2017

- We, the Mayors and Governors of Japanese cities and regions gathered today at the "Local Leaders' Summit," declare to take new action and enhance cooperation towards achieving 100% renewable energy cities and regions.
- ... we commit to utilizing local renewable energy to overcome the challenges that we face, protect the livelihoods of our residents, and improve local economies.

# lida City (Nagano)

### **Community involvement Cooperation with local businesses**

### **Ordinance of Local Environmental Rights**

Ordinance related to sustainable regional development through the introduction of renewable energy in Iida City

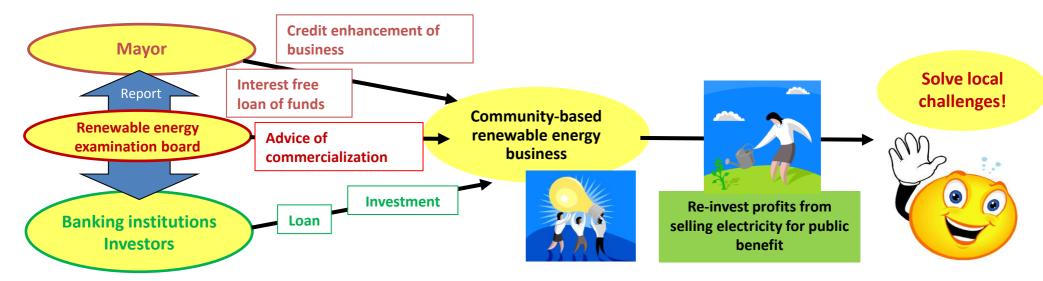
**First in Japan** 

Local environmental rights

Iida citizens have the preferential rights to use natural resources available in the city as renewable energy in an environmentally harmonious manner, and thus helping the city move towards sustainable development.

The "ordinance of local environment rights" supports regional development promoted by the citizens through renewable energy business.

⇒Creating community-based renewable energy business and promote energy autonomy that aims for sustainable regional development



#### By the support of the ordinance of local environmental rights, 9 community-based renewable energy businesses have been established.

# Miyama City (Fukuoka) & Ikoma City (Nara)

Solving multiple local challenges Aging society, well-being

## **Miyama City**

#### Miyama Smart Energy

- Promotion of climate mitigation actions (energy saving & renewables)
- Renewable energy Local production & consumption (local economy)
- Coupling with welfare services
- Co-benefit / Multi-benefit





### 生活支援サービスについて

◎特に、高齢者の皆さんに対する 生活支援のサービスを充実いたします

健康サービス

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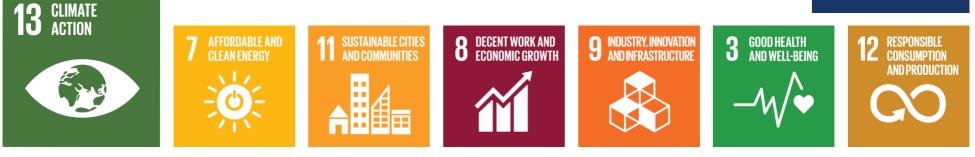
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Source: Miyama City Press Release (16 Feb. 2016)





### The First Eco-Model Residential City "IKOMA"

Ikoma is a residential city located in the northwest of Nara with a population of 120 thousand and an area of 53 km2

#### Features

- 1. Residential city close to a big city
- 2. Historical city with rich nature
- 3. High citizen power



#### Challenges

#### 1. Decreasing birthrate and aging population

The population growth rate in the high growth period was prominent in the country.

- = The speed of aging population is among Top 5%.
- $\Rightarrow$  The fiscal structure stabilized by the population growth is now shaking.

#### 2. Weak industrial structure

85% of the tax revenue depends on the resident tax/fixed property tax.

 $\Rightarrow$  Insufficient actions toward revitalizing industries

#### 3. Use of citizen power

- It is impossible to meet all the needs by government only
  - $\Rightarrow$  Occasions to use citizen and community power need to be made urgently.

Issues common to any residential cities in Japan

# We will make efforts to solve the issues through "Environment and Energy" as the eco-model city!

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Source: Presentation by Ikoma City Mayor Masashi Komurasaki at the Local Renewables Conference 2017, 8 September 2017, Nagano, Japan

### Ikoma Civic Power Company Established in July 2017!

#### Business description

Electric power retailing by procuring renewable energy in the city with the highest priority and supply it to public facilities, private companies and ordinary households.

Ikoma Civic Power" aims at...

### Improving attraction in the city and solving issues through energy

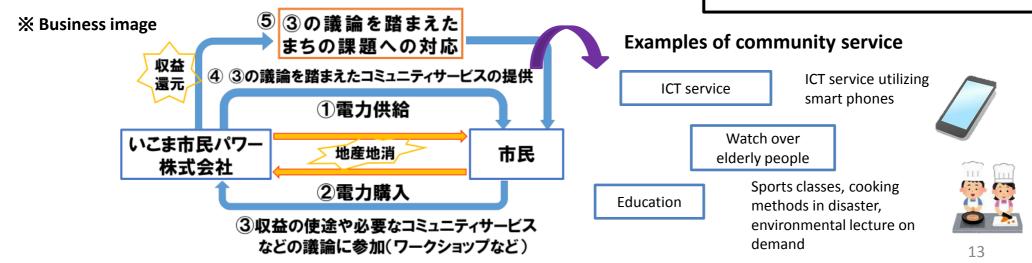
EconomyThe profit are not allotted to stockholders, but are used for civil service and revitalization of the city.EnvironmentWe promote acquisition of new renewable energy sources and a local production for local consumption<br/>system for energy.

Society We strive to be a "power company by the citizen and for the citizen" which we think together and create together with citizens.

⇒Japan's first new local power company invested by a citizen group

 $\Rightarrow$  Use of the profit is discussed in workshops with the citizens.

First, local and new electric power with thorough citizen participation and collaboration



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# Higashi Matsushima City (Miyagi)

### Solving multiple local challenges Energy security, resilience against natural disasters

### HigashiMatsushima City

### Efforts toward realization of resilient city



2011~2015 PV and storage batteries (GND) built in core shelters within the city



Mar. 2013 Installation of smart poles (10 sets) Formulation of energy vision

Mar. 11, 2011 The Great East Japan Earthquake





2014 Carport solar system established at the same time as mega solar through private investment



まちづくり計画 Dec. 2011 Adoption of "FutureCity" Initiative

(11 cities in Japan)

Dec. 2011 Formulation of reconstruction town development plan



2014~2016 Smart disaster prevention eco town supplying electricity to residences and healthcare facilities





Dec. 2014 "FutureCity" Initiative Promoting International Forum

G7富山環境大臣会合パラレルセッション

May. 15, 2016 G7 Toyama Environment Ministers' Meeting Parallel Session The Role of Cities

Oct. 2012 Establishment of Higashimatsushima Organization for Progress and Economy, Education, Energy Nickname : HOPE

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2014

independent electric power and

specific low power radiotelephone



2014 Awarded a Platinum City certification (Platinum concept network)

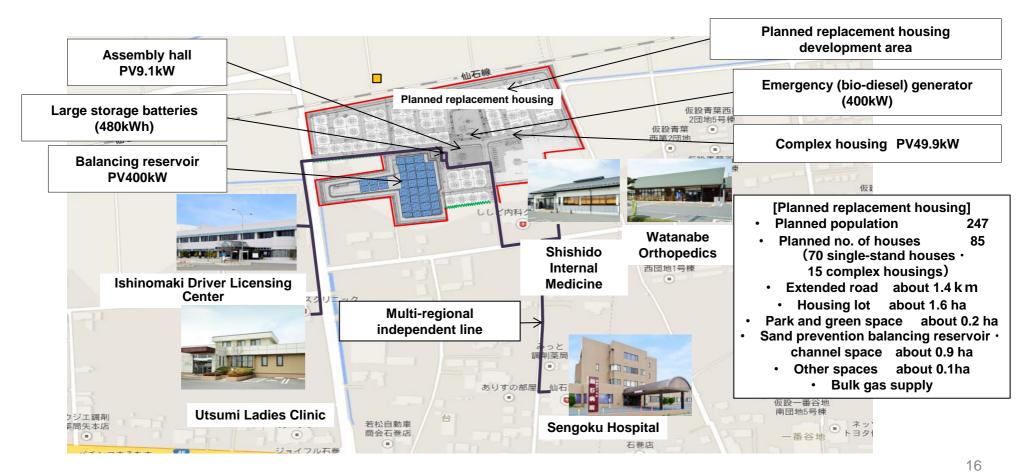
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Source: Presentation by Higashimatsushima City Vice Mayor Morio Furuyama at the Local Renewables Conference 2017, 8 September 2017, Nagano, Japan

#### **Higashi Matsushima Smart Disaster Prevention Eco-Town**

• Energy provision to planned replacement housing areas, hospitals and public institutions through independent line PPS. In times of emergency electrical power will be provided by emergency generators through independent lines.

• It is composed of 460kw of solar power, large storage batteries and emergency generators. It is usually self-consuming the electrical power produced by a combination of solar power and storage batteries within the areas, and the regional new power company supplements the shortfall by sourcing the power from electric power companies and market.



Source: Presentation by Higashimatsushima City Vice Mayor Morio Furuyama at the Local Renewables Conference 2017, 8 September 2017, Nagano, Japan

# **Towards community vitalization**

Challenges and potential solutions moving forward

### Challenges

- Community-led efforts, community participation
- Collaboration with businesses
- Creating environments that enhance community/business action

### **Moving forward**

- Networks to support local government cooperation
- Support from national governments



## **100% Renewable Energy** Cities and Regions Network



 Network of leading cities, towns and regions that are driving the transition towards 100% Renewable Energy

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- Community of practice for knowledge exchange and policy dialogue
- Opportunity to network with other leading cities and experts on a global scale

# Thank you!

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