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Commitment letter

for the HORIZON EUROPE project

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On behalf of Municipality of the City of Budapest I hereby express our commitment to implement the activities described in the project proposal on Positive and Clean Energy Districts to be submitted in the frame of the *Research and Innovation actions to support the implementation of the Climate-Neutral and Smart Cities Mission* call for proposal by the Lighthouse cities of Lyon and Munich.

The Municipality of the City of Budapest is a public body, representing Budapest which is the capital and the largest city of Hungary. Budapest is the country's principal political, cultural, commercial, industrial, and transportation centre. The Municipality of Budapest is responsible for provide public utility services, such as public transport, waste, wastewater and water management, district heating, public lighting etc.

As a Multiplier city, the Municipality of the City of Budapest will carry out dedicated experimentation in the district of Újpest. In particular, the implementation and replication activities will focus on co-designing and co-developing of PCED concept with local citizens, since Budapest is responsible for 15% of Hungary's GHG emission. Within this 44% of the city's CO2 emission is attributed to electricity generation and most of the energy related emission are tied to buildings. Only 4% of the city's energy is supplied by renewables. According to the 2030 vision of its SECAP, the total capacity of solar panels operating in Budapest should increase to 1,500 MW, which is equivalent of the whole installed capacity of the country at the moment. Budapest will develop several planning documents – from feasibility to deployment plan – aiming at demonstrating positive and clean energy neighbourhoods by 2030. Additionally, the City will use its participatory tools and methods to engage the relevant stakeholder.

In the event that this proposal is accepted by the European Commission, the Municipality of the City of Budapest will honour the planning decisions and commit the necessary human resources for their implementation during the life of the project.

Yours sincerely,

Gergely Karácsony
mayor