**Istanbul Environment Friendly City Award**

**Application Form**

**Once completed, the application form must be sent by email to:** **istanbul.award@planbleu.org****, copied to iefca@unep.org**

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**City Introduction and Context**

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| City: |  |
| Country: |  |
| Date of submission: |  |
| Competent authority:Contact person (Name, Last name, position, email, telephone, postal address ): |  |

**Overview of the application: motivation and vision for the future (maximum 1 page).**

**Describe the main environmental problems faced by the city due to geographical, social and economic factors and what actions have been taken to face them (maximum 1 page).**

**Progress achieved in the city during the last 5-10 years in relation to environmental protection and sustainable development (please describe briefly the key achievements, in maximum ½ page).**

**Has an environmental award or other related distinction been received in the past (maximum ½ page)?**

**Please, complete:**

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| Indicator  |  Value |  Year of data |
| Population (Inhabitants) |  |  |
| Total area (Km2) |  |  |
| Distance from the coast (Km) |  |  |
| Population density (Inh./km2) |  |  |
| Coastline length (m) |  |  |
| GDP (€/Capita) |  |  |

You are kindly requested to answer the following questions, which are separated in four main categories. If your answer is “Yes” or “In process”, please fill the relevant tables to justify your answer according to the given indicators. Please try to respond to most questions. Provide a short description of measures, projects, initiatives and achievements, focusing on the last 5 years. Where appropriate, please provide available evidence of the measures taken (e.g. Environmental certificates).

1. **Nature and Biodiversity Protection**
* Has your city taken climate change related measures?

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| Yes  |[ ]
| No  |[ ]
| In process  |[ ]

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| Indicator | Evidence of the measures/progress achieved in the last 5years |
| Mitigation: Showing GHG reduction efforts (e.g. GHG emissions in tons per capita in 2005 & in 2015) |  |
| Adaptation: Demonstrating enhanced or maintained resilience of natural systems (key habitats and species / carbon sinks) against climate change impacts |  |
| Adaptation: Improved urban resilience to natural and human induced risks based on prevention, preparedness and response (in particular against sea level rise) |  |

* Has your city taken measures for marine and coastal ecosystem protection?

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| Yes  |[ ]
| No  |[ ]
| In process  |[ ]

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| Indicator | Evidence of the measures/progress achieved in the last 5 years |
| Protecting coastal and marine ecosystems |  |
| Contributing to the establishment and the management of protected areas (of international / regional labels)  |  |
| Preserving natural coastline  |  |
| Progress to reach the Good Environmental Status related to biodiversity (6-year cycle) |  |

* Is your city making wise/efficient/sustainable use of natural resources?

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| Yes |[ ]
| No  |[ ]
| In process  |[ ]

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| Indicator | Evidence of the measures/progress achieved in the last 5 years |
| Efficiency in water use(e.g. leakage as % of water supply, annual water exploitation, rate of reused water)  |  |
| Sustainable use of land-based resources (sand, gravel, etc.) |  |
| Sustainable use of marine and coastal resources  |  |
| The city’s footprint remaining within a given range that is meaningful in the context of the Mediterranean region |  |

1. **Built environment**
* Does your city have resilient coastal infrastructure?

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| Yes  |[ ]
| No  |[ ]
| In process |[ ]

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| Indicator | Evidence of the measures/progress achieved in the last 5 years |
| Existence of flood management and coastal protection measures (soft and/or hard infrastructure) |  |
| Defined set-back line for protecting against future sea level rise and preserving free access to the coast |  |

* Does your city proceed to a sustainable land use?

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| Yes  |[ ]
| No  |[ ]
| In process |[ ]

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| Indicator | Evidence of the measures/progress achieved in the last 5 years |
| Promoting green urban areas (e.g. m2 per number of inhabitants) |  |
| Limiting coastal urban sprawl  |  |
| Free access of public to the shore/beaches |  |
| Mixed use neighborhoods |  |
| Demonstration of easy access to basic services |  |
| Barrier-free urban design for disabled groups |  |

* Is the city’s local transport plan friendly to the environment?

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| Yes  |[ ]
| No  |[ ]
| In process |[ ]

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| Indicator | Evidence of the measures/progress achieved in the last 5 years |
| Promoting walking, cycling and public transport |  |
| Promoting car-free settlements |  |
| Limitations and management of access of private cars to the city |  |

* Is your city taking measures related to the pollution and waste?

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| Yes  |[ ]
| No  |[ ]
| In process |[ ]

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| Indicator | Evidence of the measures/progress achieved in the last 5 years |
| Air quality within allowed standards (including progress made) |  |
| Bathing water quality within allowed standards |  |
| Waste water management and treatment infrastructure available and functioning(e.g. % of the city population served by waste water collection, % of primary, secondary and tertiary treatment) |  |
| Light intensity within allowed standards (including the marine and coastal areas) & measures to reduce the ecological impacts of artificial light  |  |
| Measures to reduce noise level in city, including the marine areas  |  |
| Describe the solid waste management infrastructure available and functioning  |  |
| Types of waste treatment techniques used with relevant % (as well as % of city population with regular solid waste collection) |  |
| Existence ofopen dump sites  |  |
| Waste segregation put into place |  |
| 3Rs (Reduce-Reuse-Recycle)(including % of the city’s solid waste that is recycled & % of organic waste composted) |  |
| Marine litter removal/clean up |  |

* Is your city’s water system sustainable?

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| Yes  |[ ]
| No  |[ ]
| In process |[ ]

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| Indicator | Evidence of the measures/progress achieved in the last 5 years |
| Availability and affordability of water for human use (e.g. % of population with potable water supply service) |  |
| Efficient and sustainable water demand management (e.g. % of city population benefiting from rain water collectors) |  |

* Does your city promote energy efficiency?

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| Yes  |[ ]
| No  |[ ]
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| Indicator | Evidence of the measures/progress achieved in the last 5 years |
| Promoting/demonstration of energy conservation in buildings  |  |
| Production and use of renewable energy (e.g. % of total energy derived from renewable sources, as a share of the city’s total energy consumption) |  |

* Does your city promote green settlements, building materials and technological systems?

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| Yes  |[ ]
| No  |[ ]
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| Indicator | Evidence of the measures/progress achieved in the last 5 years |
| Promotion of local and recycled materials  |  |
| Focusing on reuse of brownfields for urban transformation  |  |
| Amount (m2) of green areas per population (e.g. urban public open space per capita) |  |
| Construction of green buildings or retrofitting of existing buildings  |  |
| Budget allocation for retrofitting of historical building  |  |

1. **Social, Economic and Cultural Sustainability**
* Does your city promote integration and solidarity for its citizens?

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| Yes  |[ ]
| No  |[ ]
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| Indicator | Evidence of the measures/progress achieved in the last 5 years |
| Upgrading slums/informal/illegal settlements |  |
| Promoting mixed income neighborhoods |  |
| Building child-friendly settlements (e.g. Child-friendly city recognitions) |  |

* Does your city promote and ensure the sustainability of local cultural values and traditions?

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| Yes  |[ ]
| No  |[ ]
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| Indicator | Evidence of the measures/progress achieved in the last 5 years |
| Efforts/budget allocation for renovation/retrofitting/rehabilitation of historical buildings and settlements (e.g. projects of rehabilitation of historic centers) |  |
| Promotion of Ecotourism and Hospitality |  |

* Does your city promote green economy?

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| Yes  |[ ]
| No  |[ ]
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| Indicator | Evidence of the measures/progress achieved in the last 5 years |
| Sustainable consumption and production |  |
| Eco-innovation, sustainable employment and green jobs |  |
| Promoting local market, short channels, and the circular economy principles |  |
| Promoting women entrepreneurship |  |
| Promoting territorial synergies (connections with neighboring settlements and hinterland) |  |

1. **Policy and Governance**
* Has your city developed policies for environment and sustainable development?

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| Yes  |[ ]
| No  |[ ]
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| Indicator | Evidence of the measures/progress achieved in the last 5 years |
| Existence (with allocated budget) of environmental policy, strategies and action plans for sustainability  |  |
| Existence (with allocated budget) of resilience policy (natural disasters) |  |
| Existence (with allocated budget) of climate change mitigation and adaptation strategy |  |

* Do the city’s authorities promote environmental planning and management?

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| Yes  |[ ]
| No  |[ ]
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| Indicator | Evidence of the measures/progress achieved in the last 5 years |
| Urban planning |  |
| ICZM (national or local) existence and implementation (with budget allocation)  |  |
| Promoting strategies for sustainable mobility (with budget allocation) (e.g. integrated public transport systems; promotion of public transport, bicycles) |  |
| Pollution prevention action plans for water, waste, air, noise (with budget allocation) |  |

* Are there appropriate institutional measures in place?

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| Yes  |[ ]
| No  |[ ]
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| Indicator | Evidence of the measures/progress achieved in the last 5 years |
| Accountable and transparent local government |  |
| Partnerships with NGOs and other stakeholders |  |
| Participation in decision-making (empowered society) |  |
| Capacity enhancing |  |

* Does your city promote and support implementation and monitoring?

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| Yes  |[ ]
| No  |[ ]
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| Indicator | Evidence of the measures/progress achieved in the last 5 years |
| Existence of standards, rules and regulations for developers/investors |  |
| ICZM implementation practices  |  |
| Demonstration/achievements of green public buildings, green transport systems, etc. |  |
| Definition and adoption of a monitoring system (e.g. dashboard of sustainability, urban observatory of the environment and sustainable development) |  |
| Sustainable finance (fees, taxes, etc.) |  |
| Green procurement |  |
| Sustainable municipal finance (percentage devoted to environmental management) |  |

* Is communication and outreach promoted?

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| Yes  |[ ]
| No  |[ ]
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| Indicator | Evidence of the measures/progress achieved in the last 5 years |
| Public awareness on sustainability/environment (with budget allocation)  |  |
| Education and training programs/activities (on environment and sustainability) targeting adults and children (with budget allocation/person assigned)  |  |
| International cooperation and networks |  |