

How can political guidance and leadership create good conditions for local climate adaptation?

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Central issues

- Agenda setting and policy:
 - Identification, definition and formulation
 - Relation to other policy issues
 - Hierarchical relations
- Political priorities
 - Limited resources forces prioritisation
 - Prioritisation is always political and political values (implicit and explicit) guide prioritisation
 - Priority translates into organisation



Central issues

- City growth and attractivity vs. Climate risks and adaptation
 - A clear hierarchy
 - City growth and attractivity frames the identification, formulation and prioritisation of climate risks
 - City growth = Local government as risk producers driving demands for future climate change adaptation measures
- “The Attractive City”?
 - A water front city facilitating growth?
 - A safe city mitigating climate risks and reducing climate vulnerabilities?



Conclusions

- Political leadership and guidance?

