



Borgarráð

Reykjavík, 3. febrúar 2026  
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### **Fyrirhuguð ferð borgarstjóra til München**

Fyrirhuguð er ferð borgarstjóra til München dagana 11.-13. febrúar nk. Þar mun borgarstjóri taka þátt í fundi sem ber heitið „City–Industry Caucus on Energy & Materials Security,“ sem er hluti af München-öryggisráðstefnunni. Að fundinum standa Climate-KIC, ICLEI Europe, BMW Foundation Herbert Quandt og World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD).

Á fundinum er verið að leiða saman 25 framkvæmdaleiðtoga frá framkvæmdastjórn ESB, ríkjum, borgum, atvinnulífi og fjármálageiranum og markmið fundarins er að kanna hvernig efla megi orku- og efnaöryggi Evrópu ásamt því að auka samkeppnishæfni. Borgir gegna lykilhlutverki þar sem þær nota megnið af orku og losa stóran hluta gróðurhúsalofttegunda, en búa jafnframt yfir miklum möguleikum til að draga úr innflutningsþörf og auka seiglu með hreinni orku, orkunýtingu og nýsköpun. Ferðakostnaður borgarstjóra er greiddur af boðsaðila upp að 500 evrum.

Heiða Björg Hilmsdóttir  
borgarstjóri

Hjálagt:

Boðsbréf – Energy Security Hub at BMW Foundation Pavillion  
Concept Note – City Industry Materials & Energy Security  
Travel Reimbursement – The City Industry Caucus on Energy & Materials Security

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9<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Dear Mayor Heiða Björg Hilmisdóttir,

**Climate-KIC, ICLEI Europe, the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD), and the BMW Foundation Herbert Quandt** are delighted to invite you to “**The City-Industry Caucus on Energy & Materials Security.**”

**12 February 2026 | 14:00–17:00, with lunch 13:00–14:00**  
**BMW Foundation Herbert Quandt | Praterinsel 3, 80538 Munich**

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**Session objective:**

The goal of the session is to form a caucus with committed interest in energy and materials security for the competitiveness and viability of Europe. The group will articulate a set of principles and critical priorities for joint action, in the context of the current political environment, which are extremely relevant for EU stability and security. These priorities include transitioning to more secure and reliable clean energy systems and resilient material chains; meeting rapidly rising projected future power growth needs; and delivering on the European decarbonization and resilience targets.

The attached Concept Note offers further context and background.

**Practical Information:**

- Please confirm your attendance by replying to this email. Spaces are limited, so please respond as soon as possible. The deadline for registration is December 18, 2025.
- After the meeting, participants are invited to the Energy Security Hub @ MSC 2026 at the BMW Foundation Herbert Quandt Pavilion, taking place 13–14 February. You will receive an email with more details on this shortly after confirming attendance to this event.
- Participation is by invitation only.
- The agenda and timings will follow shortly.
- For any questions about the event, please contact paula.mcginnell@climate-kic.org.

We look forward to welcoming you.

Best regards,



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# City-Industry Caucus on Energy & Materials Security: Concept Note

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The nexus of more tightly integrating policies, programs and initiatives, as well as investments across Europe's security, competitiveness, and urban decarbonization agendas offers a unique opportunity for greater positive outcomes and enables achieving them with greater speed and scale than could be accomplished singularly at this critical moment.

Decarbonization of metropolitan centers offers an underleveraged pathway for Europe to achieve greater energy and materials security, economic and climate resilience, and global economic competitiveness, notably:

- Europe's security is inextricably tied to gaining greater market integration over energy systems through modernizing the grid, more finely tuning the alignment and optimization of supply and demand, transitioning to new sources of locally generated clean energy and reducing reliance on imports especially of fossil fuels, and lowering per capita consumption through energy efficiency and technology innovation.
- Electricity demand is forecast to triple over the next decade due to the massive growth of AI, "electrification of everything" (e.g. EVs, heat pumps, industrial processes), and growth of digitization (e.g., cloud, crypto, IoT).
- Cities are home to most of the human population, consume 78% of global energy produced, and contribute more than 60% of greenhouse gas emissions. Large-scale city decarbonization and climate resilience efforts constitute a significant demand-driver for critical materials, innovative solutions for infrastructure and logistics and, as a result, green jobs, skills and social infrastructures for change.
- Significant investment to meet Europe's future grid load growth is targeted towards power center clusters being developed around large cities. This opens an opportunity to leverage the billions of Euros being deployed through public-private partnerships to not only add clean energy for AI but also expand its usage, for example in retrofitting buildings and bi-directional charging. Through accelerating the transition towards greater electrification and active mobility, it will also transform the way people and goods move. Additionally, it enables scaling European innovation and technology for global markets.

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# Travel Reimbursement for City-Industry Caucus on Energy & Materials

January 2026

- Reimbursement for travel to the **City-Industry Caucus on Energy & Materials Security** is available up to **EUR 500**. This amount represents the maximum that can be claimed.
- Please proceed with the booking and submit the following information to your designated contact:
- **Name of person travelling**
- **Evidence of Expenditure**
  - Proof of payment/receipts
- **Organisation Details**
  - Legal name of the organisation
  - Company registration number
- **Contact Information**
  - Head office street address
  - Town or city
  - Country/region
  - Postcode or ZIP code
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  - Bank account number
  - IBAN
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  - Bank street address
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- Please allow adequate time for processing reimbursements.