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**An Urban Agenda for the European Union: Application of the City of
Karlsruhe for participating in and coordinating the Thematic Partnership
"Urban Mobility"**

Dear Madam or Sir,

With great interest, the City of Karlsruhe follows the political discussion evolving around the Urban Agenda for the European Union and welcomes the formation of thematic partnerships involving urban and regional players as partners on equal terms.

Like many other European cities and urban interest groups, the City of Karlsruhe is convinced that these thematic partnerships hold the potential to be a successful and sustainable form of cooperation between cities, EU Member States and EU institutions within the system of European multi-level governance.

Therefore, the City of Karlsruhe is looking forward to actively shape the Urban Agenda for the EU within the framework of the thematic partnership "Urban Mobility", participate in analysing existing EU policies from a local point of view and implement its expertise to propose specific suggestions for improvement.

Attached, please find Karlsruhe's application for participating in and coordinating the thematic partnership "Urban Mobility" ("scoping paper"). Our application is supported by the Council of European Municipalities and Regions (CEMR) as well as the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation, Building and Nuclear Safety (BMUB) and the German Federal Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure (BMVI).

I would greatly appreciate your active support for the application of the City of Karlsruhe within the decision-making bodies of the European Commission.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Frank Mentrup". The signature is written in a cursive style with a small flourish at the end.

Dr Frank Mentrup

Lord Mayor, City of Karlsruhe

Attachment