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Holcim and Bloomberg Media launch the Circular Cities Barometer

- **“Circular Cities Barometer” showcases top 25 cities leading the shift to circular living**
- **Scores based on circularity of buildings, municipal systems, urban amenities and policies**
- **Circularity critical to a sustainable future**

As part of their partnership, Holcim and Bloomberg Media launched the “Circular Cities Barometer” to understand how cities are leading the shift to circular living for a sustainable future. The Barometer’s first findings were unveiled on 27 April 2022, at the Bloomberg Green Summit.

Jan Jenisch, Holcim CEO: “Circular economy is a key element to stay within our planet’s boundaries and get serious about climate action. With our world’s rapid urbanization, cities are at the center of this shift from a linear ‘take-make-waste’ economy to a circular ‘reduce-reuse-recycle’ one. This Barometer, developed in partnership with Bloomberg Media, gives us unique insights into what the most innovative circular cities around the world are doing to accelerate this shift. I’m excited to learn about these best practices, so that we can all play our part to fast-track the transition to circular living.”

“At our core, Bloomberg is data centric and solutions driven,” said Lauren Kiel, General Manager for Bloomberg Green at Bloomberg Media. “That’s why we’re pleased to be partnering with Holcim to bring attention to what makes cities around the world circular. We hope that by providing these insights it will help inspire other cities to take action to enable change.”

Methodology

Using a proprietary algorithm, the Circular Cities Barometer measures the transition of 25 cities from a linear to a circular economy representing all global regions. They were scored on a dozen circularity indicators measuring circular buildings, circular systems, circular living and circular leadership.

Amsterdam	The Netherlands
Auckland	New Zealand
Beijing	China
Berlin	Germany
Bogota	Colombia
Chicago	United States
Copenhagen	Denmark
Delhi (NCT)	India
Dubai	United Arab Emirates
Johannesburg	South Africa
Lagos	Nigeria
London	United Kingdom
Mexico City	Mexico

Milan	Italy
Montreal	Canada
Nairobi	Kenya
New York	United States
Paris	France
Quezon City (Manila)	Philippines
Seattle	United States
Sydney	Australia
Toronto	Canada
Warsaw	Poland
Wuhan	China
Zurich	Switzerland

Holcim's commitment to driving circular construction

Holcim is leading the way in circular construction, recycling over 50 million tons of materials across its business in 2021 on its way to doubling this rate to 100 million tons by 2030 as part of its net-zero roadmap. To make buildings work for people and the planet, Holcim applies the circular economy principle of "reduce, reuse and recycle" across its business:

- **Reduce:** To reduce the footprint of buildings, Holcim continuously advances its portfolio of green building solutions. One example is the green concrete ECOPact, with a carbon footprint ranging from 30% to 100% lower emissions than standard concrete.
- **Reuse:** With 80% of Europe's building stock projected to still be in use by 2050, repairing and renovating buildings with green retrofit systems is a key priority. Holcim's advanced roofing, waterproofing and insulation systems enhance the energy efficiency of buildings and extend their lifespan.
- **Recycle:** Within the ECOPlanet range, Holcim launched the world's first cement with 20% recycled construction & demolition waste inside. Another example comes from Holcim's latest acquisition of Malarkey Roofing Products. Malarkey upcycles materials into roof shingles, including 3,200 plastic bags for an average residential home in the US.

To access the Circular Cities Barometer, visit www.bloomberg.com/circularcities

In addition to their Premier Partnership of Bloomberg Green, Holcim is also a Founding Partner of Bloomberg New Economy.

For more details on how Holcim is helping build circular cities, see: <https://www.holcim.com/sustainability/circular-economy/circular-cities>

About Holcim

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