Local authorities and the engagement of private actors in climate change adaptation

Guiding questions for the semi-structured interviews conducted in Helsinki and Copenhagen. Because the interviews were part of a larger research initiative the interview guidelines also include questions that are not relevant for the study presented in this article. The question that are of special importance for this article are highlighted in bold letters.

- 1. Why did your organization start climate work (mitigation and/or adaptation)?
- 2. Does your organization contribute to both, adaptation and mitigation of the city?
- 3. Are adaptation and mitigation considered jointly or separately in your organization? Please explain why.
- 4. What are the main priorities and goals of the climate work in your organization?
- 5. How has the climate work been carried out in your organization?
- 6. Who is/has been involved in climate work of the city in collaboration with your organization?
- 7. What is the role of your organization in the climate work in Copenhagen/Helsinki?
- 8. What is/was the role of the participants that are/were involved with your organization in the climate work in Copenhagen?
- 9. Is your organization involved in practical implementation of climate work?
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- 11. How has the awareness of climate change changed over time (1) in your organization? (2) in the city?
- 12. What kinds of resources are available for climate work in your organisation?
- 13. How is your organization's climate work funded?
- 14. What kinds of adaptation and mitigation policies, practices or both of them can your organization identify that are considered to result in more beneficial outcome when implementing them jointly rather than separately (so called synergies)?
- 15. How could the climate work be improved 1) in your organization, 2) in the city in general?
- 16. What do you think hinders the implementation of adaptation and mitigation 1) policies and 2) practises in the city?
- 17. What kinds of policy instruments or steering mechanisms does your organization use in order to steer climate policies and practices of the city?
- **18.** What kinds of efforts have been done so far in your organization in order to enhance practical implementation of adaptation or mitigation strategies in the city?
- 19. Is there anything else you would like to add?