

The International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI), the membership of which is made up of 350 cities, towns and counties around the world, formally endorsed the Earth Charter during its tenth anniversary World Congress in Wittenberg, Germany. The resolution adopted by ICLEI states:

"We, the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives, endorse the Earth Charter. We commit our organization to the realization of its aims. We will seek to apply its principles in our programs, policies and other activities."

The endorsement by ICLEI is a significant step forward in securing government support for the Earth Charter vision.