

## MEASURE REDUCE OFFSET NOW

## PLEDGE

To the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) secretariat Bonn, Germany

In joining major cities, regions, companies and investors from around the globe that have promised to quickly and effectively help implement the Paris Agreement and accelerate the transformative change needed to reach greenhouse gas (GHG) emission neutrality (i.e. climate neutrality) in the second half of the twenty-first century,

I am pleased to confirm that ICOS ERIC will strive towards becoming GHG emission neutral by mid-century through its commitment to Climate Neutral Now.

In signing this pledge, I also commit ICOS ERIC to undertake the following in becoming GHG emission neutral (Climate Neutral Now) for the selected GHGs ( $CO_2$ ,  $CH_4$  and  $N_2O$ , expressed as Carbon dioxide equivalent,  $CO_{2eq}$ ):

- 1. Measure our greenhouse gas emissions related to business travels and to home-work-home commuting of the personnel of ICOS ERIC;
- 2. Reduce as much greenhouse gas emissions through own action as possible;
- 3. Compensate any remaining greenhouse gas emissions by offsetting.

ICOS ERIC will promote our efforts to achieve climate neutrality and its participation in Climate Neutral Now. It will also provide updates on progress under this pledge every two years.

ICOS ERIC makes this pledge starting from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019.

ICOS ERIC will be afforded recognition for our effort in striving towards GHG emission neutrality under Climate Neutral Now.

Sincerely,

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