Recommendations: Equality and Non-Discrimination

TRIPLE BENEFITS FOR GOVERNMENTS, INVESTORS, AND CITIZENS
The actions below will enable more equitable and effective distribution of public funding, reducing rather than accentuating existing socio-spatial inequalities, improving entire neighbourhoods, strengthening social cohesion and attracting new investment.

GOVERNMENT

- Develop decarbonisation policies and projects based on a detailed assessment of existing social contexts, potential impacts and risks to people, and social opportunities
- Create incentives and vehicles for private investment in climate mitigation initiatives in traditionally excluded areas and those transitioning away from fossil fuels and heavy industry
- Direct energy retrofit budgets to areas of high need and potential to contribute to decarbonisation efforts (such as peripheral, residential high-density apartment blocks); and package these retrofits into investment programmes that attract long-term private sector investment

FINANCE

- Conduct geo-spatial mapping of green building investments, and work together with national and urban development departments to establish green investment priorities in areas that have traditionally been excluded

PROJECT

- Invest in projects that combine decarbonisation strategies with meeting local needs such as affordable housing, centres for the elderly, daycare, community recreational and cultural centres, libraries and schools
- Ensure the project acknowledges, assesses and responds to/addresses the potential negative impacts on individuals and communities in its wider surrounding area