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Iceland is a country in Europe. It is a Nordic island country in the North Atlantic Ocean. Its population is 356.991. Iceland is the least densely populated country in Europe.

Iceland has been experiencing climate change for years. Iceland's government is doing plans, passing laws, and organizing/attending the councils to minimize climate action. We have a Climate Action Plan, this plan is our national plan. Its first version contains 33 measures and it was released in 2018. Its updated version contains 48 measures and 28 measures out of 48 had already been set in a motion at the publication of 2020.

Iceland has a law about climate change (Act no:70/2012).In 2019 the Climate Change Act was revised with provisions inter alia on reporting on Policies and Measures and projections, and on the advisory role of the Climate Council. The Council is an independent body whose role is to hold authorities accountable and provide advice on policy objectives and specific measures related to climate change. Also, Iceland has a declaration on Nordic carbon neutrality. It is a collaborative declaration among Nordic countries. We are working together to be carbon neutral.

We took an active role in the negotiations on the SDG and adaption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in 2015. The preparation and implementation of our Climate Action Plan are done in line with several SDG targets, but mainly: Affordable and clean energy, Sustainable Cities and Communities, Climate Action, and Partnership for the goals.

Everything can be a solution but we have specific solutions in especially transportation etc. We should use bikes on short roads and we should use public transportation mostly. To warm-up, we use renewable energies such as hydroelectric utmost but we should rise that percentage up to 100. These are the most common ones but they are really necessary and important because they are economical

and easy tasks to do compared to the other ones and when we start to do them the results will be more clear.