

Panel's report for the assessment of Cittaslow best practices 2016

1. On 14 June, 2016 the Panel for the **Cittaslow Project Prize**, chaired by Giuseppe Roma, Coordinator of the International Scientific Committee and composed of Stefano Pisani and Pier Giorgio Oliveti, Cittaslow President and General Secretary, met to appraise the projects submitted by Cittaslow towns.

The Committee firstly noted the success of the initiative, in which 21 Cittaslow towns(two more than the past year) from 9 countries took part, submitting 29 projects for the Panel's perusal.

- 2. The first job of the Panel was to choose prize evaluation criteria, which were agreed as being:
 - Improvement of Cittaslow philosophy;
 - Impact on social innovation;
 - Relevance in terms of dissemination in order to share good practices in the network;
 - Scale of the project, people involvement and investment.
- 3. The Panel then chose prize categories, reaching the conclusion that each year a prize should be awarded for the best project presented, to be called "Chiocciola Orange", and that prizes should be given for the following categories:
 - Environment Award
 - Local Economy Award

- Infrastructure Award
- Urban Life Quality Award
- Active Community Award
- Social Cohesion Award

It was also decided to award a Special Prize for the "Best Idea".

- **4.** After having carefully examined project documentation, the Panel unanimously agreed to award prizes to the following projects:
- "Chiocciola Orange" awarded to Cittaslow PRUDNIK (Poland) for the project "Prudnik Weavers city, story of written thread". The project was aimed to renew the century-old tradition of textile craft in the territory involving the whole community, becoming an example for all. It allowed for showing the common cultural heritage, and to exalt the traditional roots of handicraft. It was also aimed to transfer to children and young people the techniques used in the creation of local artistic fabric.
- Environment Award to Cittaslow <u>TURBIGO (Italy)</u> for the project "Sustainability for the future. School open to the citizens". Actions, lab and workshops to make students promoters of eco-sustainable behaviours to families and local communities.
- Local Economy Award to Cittaslow ENNS(Austria)
 for the project "Effective cooperation between the
 farmers". How to improve cooperation between the
 farmers with active promotion and selling of local wine
 and food in the region.
- **Infrastructure Award** to Cittaslow **ABBIATEGRASSO** (**Italy**) for the project "Bici Park/Bike Park". A very innovative hub in the centre of the town to improve bike use and slow mobility system.

- Urban Life Quality to Cittaslow <u>ECHT-SUSTEREN</u> (<u>The Netherlands</u>) for the projects "Neighbourhood Watch", "Living Room", "Cittaslow Gifts". For realizing different initiatives for security, day care for ageing population in the town and promotion of Cittaslow network.
- Active Community Award to Cittaslow SANGJU (South Korea) for the project "Cittaslow Sangju Residents Workshop". The interest of the project is the link to durability because it was realized in three years, and direct practical experience of slow management. The project goal was to deepen citizens' understanding of the Cittaslow movement, and to improve the awareness of the whole community in the region.
- Social Cohesion Award to the Cittaslow of <u>FALKÖPING (Sweden)</u> for the project "Language buddy", to create opportunities for foreigners and refugees teaching the Swedish language.
- Finally, the Panel gave the Special Award for the Best Idea to the Cittaslow of DZIAŁDOWO (Poland) for the Project "Interactive Museum of the Teutonic Order". For the innovative mix between technologies and story-telling of the cultural heritage and the local history.

The Chairman Giuseppe Roma