

**Panel's report for the assessment of Cittaslow Best Practices Prize
<< CHIOCCIOLA ORANGE 2026>>
and
Cittaslow Video Contest Award 2026**

CITTASLOW BEST PRACTICES PRIZE

1. On June 5, 2026 the Panel for the Cittaslow Prize CHIOCCIOLA ORANGE, chaired by Giuseppe Roma, Coordinator of the International Scientific Committee and composed of President Mauro Migliorini, Pier Giorgio Oliveti, General Secretary, and Luca Filippetti, Web manager of Cittaslow International, met to appraise the projects and videos submitted by Cittaslow towns.

This year, 27 projects were presented by 21 cities (3 more of last year) and 8 videos from as many cities.

2. Prize evaluation criteria were based on the general rules of the contest, assigning a score from 1 (minimum) to 5 (maximum) on the following six core items.
 - 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.
 - Vision of the future.
 - Technical and aesthetical values (for videos).
3. The Panel then chooses prize categories: the best project presented should be awarded with "Chiocciola Orange", and other prizes should be given for the following categories:
 - Environmental and Energy policies;
 - Infrastructure policies;
 - Quality of urban life policies;
 - Agricultural, touristic and artisan policies;
 - Policies for hospitality, awareness, training and culture;
 - Social cohesion.

The Commission notes the high quality of the projects submitted and the attention given to the main goals of Cittaslow activities.

After having carefully examined project documentation, the Panel unanimously agreed to award prizes to the following projects:

CHIOCCIOLA ORANGE 2026

YAXI, GAOCHUN (CN) score: 5

School Cafeteria Ingredient Procurement

A textbook project focusing on designing and producing a system to ensure that cafeterias for 51 schools receive locally sourced and quality-controlled goods. The project significantly boosts Cittaslow's environmental and social sustainability attribute

Environmental and Energy policies

FINIKE (TR) score: 4

Strengthening Finike's Resilience Against Earthquakes and Flood Disasters

The project created a model for preventing environmental disasters (climate and seismic) through collaboration between universities, public institutions, and civil society. It raised awareness among the local community according to Cittaslow's philosophy.

Infrastructure policies

Midden-Delfland (NL) score: 3

Redesign of public space Schipluiden

Community planning improving the quality of the historic center with space for social activities and new housing for particular category

Quality of urban life policies

YENİBOĞAZIÇI (TRNC) score: 4

"Making Peace with the Nature"

The project aims to reconnect with nature different segments of society through educational activities, seed planting and festival.

Agricultural, touristic and artisan policies

Nan'ao (CN) score: 3

"Sea Urchin Food Festival"

The project promotes a unique marine environment and intangible heritage culture allowing visitors to experience the authentic Cittaslow's life.

Policies for hospitality, awareness, training and culture

TOLFA (IT) score: 4

"Archivio Paese"

Revitalization project of a historic neighbourhood through slow tourism activities, including a visit to a community photography archive as a hub for urban memory and identity

Social cohesion

LEFKE (TRNC) score: 3

Peace Ecosystem Model

The municipality has transformed peace into a sustainable local governance approach with women's participation, youth engagement and civil society cooperation.

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BRA (IT) score: 3

Scuola di Pace "Toni Lucci"

Since 1992, a school dedicated to peace has been functioning as an arena for promoting awareness and guiding younger generations toward dialog and friendship among peoples.

VIDEO CONTEST AWARD 2026

On June 5, 2026 the Panel for the Cittaslow International Video Contest Award 2026, chaired by Giuseppe Roma, Coordinator of the International Scientific Committee and composed of President Mauro Migliorini, Pier Giorgio Oliveti, General Secretary, and Luca Filippetti, Web manager of Cittaslow International, met to appraise the videos submitted by Cittaslow towns.

THE WINNER OF 2026 IS:

MEHMETÇİK-BÜYÜKKONUK (TRNC) score: 5

"Journey of Felt"

Through the traditional craft of wool felt hat-making, the video beautifully embodies the spirit of tradition and innovation that defines Cittaslow.

SPECIAL MENTIONS:

- ***for their commitment to promoting local craft productions:***

GEÇITKALE-SERDARLI (TRNC): Living Culture Through Producing Hands
score: 4

and

YENİBOĞAZIÇI (TRNC): Every Story Begins with a Seed score: 4

- ***to highlight the importance of the relationship between different age groups, particularly for young ones:***

DZIAŁDOWO (PL): It's lovely to live in a Cittaslow town score: 3

The Chairman
Giuseppe Roma



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