

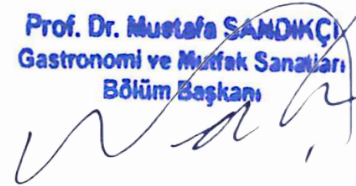
To the Major  
City of Vico Equense  
**Dr. Giuseppe Aiello**  
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**LETTER OF SUPPORT**  
**UCCN UNESCO CREATIVE CITIES NETWORK**  
**VICO EQUENSE CANDIDATE 2023 IN GASTRONOMY**

In 2023, the City of Vico Equense, Italy applies to join the UNESCO Creative Cities Network. Vico Equense sees in UNESCO Creative Cities Network a unique opportunity to exchanging best practices related to quality productions and traditional methods, preserve the creative process behind food making, involving the Creative Cities in shared educational and training courses, and cultural creative joint activities. It also seeks to develop innovative, inclusive, and circular economy models to be shared with the UCCN based on the respect and protection of landscape and natural resources. If successfully became a member, Vico Equense will be committed to interacting actively with other member cities in the gastronomy and other strategic fields, to achieve UCCN objectives, and the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

UCCN City of Gastronomy in Afyonkarahisar, welcomes this initiative as a very meaningful one and looks forward to establishing a lasting partnership with the City of Vico Equense in the UCCN collaborative environment. For these reasons, the City of Gastronomy in Afyonkarahisar officially supports the city of Vico Equense, Italy candidate UNESCO Creative Cities Network for gastronomy.

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