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RE:

World Health Organization Global Age-Friendly Cities Project

Dear Dr Kalache,

With reference to the application for the WHO Global Network of Age-friendly Cities and Communities, I would like to express my interest in being a member city of this network and in endorsing its objectives, in order to become a city more accessible and inclusive for older persons.

As you probably know, Udine already joined an initiative promoted by the WHO Age-Friendly City Project, by using the Vancouver Protocol in the context of the Healthy Cities - Healthy Ageing core theme and conducting focus groups with older persons, informal caregivers and service providers with respect to Udine's age-friendliness. The research findings have represented for our city the beginning of a process of local planning and implementation to enhance the city's age-friendliness.

I would like to further increase my commitment to these themes and formally join the network in order to:

- connect with a global network of ageing experts, including senior officials, programme managers, researchers and older people themselves;
- stay informed about Age-friendly City and Community projects, meetings and events;
- guidance on approaches for developing and implementing an Age-friendly City and Community;
- access to good age-friendly practices;
- share own progress and learning and support other to do the same;
- be inspired by what others have achieved.

Hoping to be a future active member of your WHO Age-Friendly City Network, I await your kind reply.

Sincere regards.



THE MAYOR

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