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### ***UN-ISDR Participant City***

Dear Sir/Madam,

your campaign Making Cities Resilient: "My city is getting ready" seeks to raise awareness and improve effectiveness in risks management by building a net of partnership addressing at the mayors and local governments for their close proximity to the citizen.

By sharing the importance of such a campaign, globally reaching in the nearest and efficient mode each citizen exposed at various kind of hazards, in my role as Mayor of Spotorno Municipality, I am pleased to sign up Spotorno as a "Participant City" in your, and our, campaign for make cities resilient to hazards.

The principal area of action in which we want to improve and learn from other cities, and also share our problems, ideas and experience is "Protect ecosystems and natural buffers" to mitigate forest fires hazards to which our city is highly vulnerable, especially at the urban-forest interfaces where the risk for the forest ecosystem join the risk for human life and infrastructures in a very dramatic way, as my city has proved during a big forest fire on 9 September 2006.

Our line of action want to look also at "Early warning systems and emergency management capacities" to provide a valid and efficient response in case of forest fire, because despite the biggest and professional risk mitigation efforts, "zero-risk" is a not reachable objective, despite it is the road to follow.

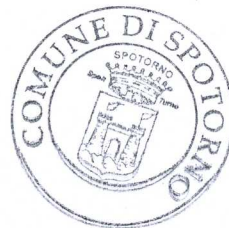
I want also to involve in this very important process, CIMA Research Foundation, a research institution that actively works in risk-related topics collaborating with



national and local Departments of Civil Protection. Its headquarter is located in Savona, town very close to our municipality. This makes the collaboration very effective.

With the help of such an important and expert partner, the participation of my city will be more effective and well felt from my citizens.

Yours sincerely,



Mayor  
Gian Paolo Calvi

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be "Gian Paolo Calvi", written over the printed name.

