



Ambasciata d'Italia  
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## PRESS RELEASE

### **A week of fine Italian food and dining in Cyprus (and all over the world)**

Cyprus will be among the over 100 countries where, **from the 21st to the 27th of November 2016**, the **1st Week of Italian Cuisine in the World** will be celebrated: an initiative of the Italian Government to promote the excellence of Italian wines and food abroad which will feature 1.300 events in every continent under the title *The Extraordinary Italian Taste*.

The Italian Embassy in Nicosia has called upon restaurants and organizations who are particularly committed to Italian fine dining – with a high quality standard and a rigorous selection of ingredients – to organize **special gastronomic and educational events about the Italian culinary tradition**.

A particularly rich program is being organized by *Isolani Pizza Bar* in Nicosia, which features an evening of Umbrian delicacies entitled **“Osteria Italia” (Monday 21<sup>st</sup>)** and a **“Sardinian Deluxe Sunday Lunch” (Sunday 27<sup>th</sup>)** with the award-winning Sardinian Chef Franco Podda from the Restaurant “Santa Rughe” in Gavoi (Nuoro), who will bring special ingredients directly from his hometown (Mr Podda will also hold a masterclass for students at the C’ Technical School of Limassol). **Tickets to both gastronomic events can be purchased directly at the Italian Embassy.**

*Isolani* is also organizing **a wine tasting event** (in partnership with *Enoteca italiana*), **fresh pasta and tiramisu lessons**, and **a pizza workshop for children**.

*La Maison du Vin* is preparing **“gourmet Italian wine dinner”** at the *Four Seasons Hotel – Vivaldi Restaurant* in Limassol on **Monday 21<sup>st</sup>**, with selected Italian wines to accompany each course.

*Bar Italia* in Nicosia will feature **“Classici Saponi Italiani”**, a menu of all-time favorite classic Italian dishes, Saturday 26<sup>th</sup>.

The week will also include **cultural events with a gastronomical component**. **Monday 21<sup>st</sup>** the University of Cyprus will screen a classic Italian movie about food, **“L’Abbuffata”**, while **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup>** the Italian Embassy, in partnership with the Province of Rovigo and the Rotary Clubs of Nicosia (Aspelia and Ledra) will treat guests to **finger food and wines from the Veneto region** following the first screening outside Italy of **“On the footsteps of the Venetian: traces of Venice in Cyprus”**, a newly filmed documentary on the Venetian heritage in Cyprus .

For further details, **please consult the attached program** of the 1<sup>st</sup> Week of Italian Cuisine in Cyprus as well as the flyers of the events organized by participating organizations.

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