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*The **progettoDiventerò** (Young People Project) is a long-term initiative headed by the Bracco Foundation to accompany youth in their journey towards professional development by promoting innovative training programmes which further consolidate the link between academia and industry. Every selected student will be part of an "Alumni" community, a network of excellence enabling them to build up strong and lasting relationships.*

The Bracco Foundation is an institution whose roots lie in the legacy of values developed by the Bracco company over a period of 85 years of activity. One of its statutory aims is to contribute to the improvement of the quality of life with innovative approaches and solutions. In connection with Bracco's commitment to promote an ethic of responsibility, its focus on research and innovation, its attention to the individual, its corporate tradition in training and its close ties with the community, Bracco Foundation, in cooperation with Bracco Imaging S.p.A. and with the Patronage of European Commission, Representation in Italy, is pleased to announce:

2nd Cav. Lav. Fulvio Bracco Award Innovation in Diagnostic Imaging

For individuals having European Union citizenship or persons with EU residence permits, with a Research Doctoral degree (or graduates with 3 years of proven post Master Degree experience in research bodies) in Pharmacy, Chemistry and Pharmaceutical Technology, Mathematical, Physical and Natural Sciences, Medicine with an experimental thesis, who have held a Doctoral degree for not more than one year and/or a master's degree for not more than three years at 5th October 2012. Excellence in English is required.

The award will consist of a project contract to carry out a research project for a gross overall total of € 150,000.00 (one hundred and fifty thousand euros). The term will depend on the project which could range from 24 to 36 months, and will be held at the Bracco Research Centre in Colletterto Giacosa (Turin) or at the Geneva Centre, Bracco Suisse SA, in Plan-les-Ouates (Switzerland).

The project will start on **1st June 2013** and will concern an aspect, connected with the aims of the Bracco

Foundation, in the field of innovation in diagnostic imaging and molecular imaging. Of particular interest are new solutions in preclinical diagnosis of diseases through the innovative use of imaging techniques in all of its forms (i.e. MRI; Contrast Enhanced Ultrasound; Optical Imaging).

The overall amount of € 150,000.00 (one hundred and fifty thousand euros), gross of legally required deductions, will be paid monthly and incrementally over time. Any expenses incurred for board, accommodation and travel will be sustained by the winner. The winner's entitlement to the award shall lapse should the winner, having commenced the project work, not continue to work on a regular basis for the entire term of the project, unless such interruption has just cause, or should the winner, in the view of the Director of the selected Research Centre, whose decision shall be final, be deemed to have committed serious acts of non-compliance.

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Applications, to be presented in electronic format, **must be sent no later than 22nd February 2013** to the Bracco Foundation at the e-mail address segreteria@fondazionebracco.com, marked to the attention of Dr. Gaeta Bernini, and should be accompanied by the following documents:

- a detailed curriculum vitae (including photograph, address, telephone number, e-mail address, personal data, authorization for treatment of personal data pursuant to Legislative Decree no. 196 30.06.2003);
- an abstract of approximately two pages, in English, illustrating key aspects of the candidate's original scientific research;
- a scan of the candidate's degree certificate and/or doctoral certificate with marks awarded for individual intermediate examinations and final examination;
- an electronic file of any publications and/or patent applications;

Since the project to be conducted is incompatible with other activities, the winner will be required to declare, under his/her own responsibility, that he/she has no other current collaborations that could affect the execution of the research project at the Bracco Group Research Centres laboratories.

The research work of the winner will be assessed during execution by Bracco Foundation. A specific private written agreement between Bracco Foundation and the award winner will govern the relationship, in compliance with the applicable Law and subsequent amendments and additions, including the Bracco Foundation's right of withdrawal for just cause.

The applications will be assessed by a Committee, whose decision will be final. Committee members are:

Cav. Lav. Dr. Diana Bracco

President Bracco Foundation

Prof. Renato Ugo

President AIRI

Prof. Silvio Aime

University of Turin

Prof. Angelika Bischof Delaloye

Honorary Professor University of Lausanne Department of Nuclear Medicine

Prof. Dr. Gabriel P. Krestin

Chairman Department of Radiology, ERASMUS MC, University Medical Center Rotterdam, ESR President and Chairman of the EIBIR Shareholders' Assembly

Dr. François Tranquart

Director Geneva Centre, Bracco Suisse SA

Dr. Fulvio Uggeri

Director Bracco Research Centre, Bracco Imaging S.p.A.

The Committee will examine the applications by **April 1st, 2013** and assign a score in each of the following categories:

- Research doctorate, degree thesis and other qualifications
- Degree mark and intermediate examination marks
- Publications and aptitude for scientific research

All applicants will receive an e-mail communicating the result of their application within 20 (twenty) days from **April 1st, 2013**. The Committee will draw up a merit ranking based on the evaluation of qualifications and documents presented of the first 5 (five) candidates with

the best score, who will be promptly advised of their standing by registered post. The five selected candidates will be invited to illustrate their scientific work to the Adjudicating Commission in a presentation in English of about 20 (twenty) minutes to be held at Bracco Foundation address in Milan. Committee meetings may be held also by means of telecommunication only if all participants can be identified and they can follow the discussion. On completion of the presentations, the final ranking will be drawn up and announced. Should the top ranking candidate not accept the award, the award will be assigned to candidate ranked second. Applicants are required to accept the full text of this announcement.

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