

## Collaboration agreement between Telethon Foundation and Rare Partners RP announcement

Milan, September 30, 2013. Telethon has renewed the agreement with Rare Partners SrI for the development of diagnostic tools and therapeutic approaches based on the results of research projects funded by the Telethon Foundation.

Under this agreement, Rare Partners, a non-profit organization founded in 2010 in Milan and dedicated to the development of new solutions in the field of rare diseases, will continue to provide the Telethon Foundation with its skills and its network of experts for activities involving analysis and evaluation of possible applications in therapeutic and diagnostic fields.

## **About Rare Partners**

Rare Partners SrI, founded in Milan in March 2010 and registered as a Social Enterprise, brings in the field of rare diseases a new approach in order to find diagnostic and therapeutic solutions, thanks to the creation of a network of collaborations with research institutes, charities and service organizations

Rare Partners works as a virtual company that combines the use of non-profit financial resources (public and private) with its expertise in the industrial field, in order to create new opportunities for collaborations between the world of not profit organizations, the scientific community and biopharmaceutical companies.

For more information: www.rarepartners.org

## **About Telethon Foundation**

The Telethon Foundation is a major Italian biomedical charity, founded in 1990 at the behest of a group of patients with muscular dystrophy.

Its mission is to attain the treatment of rare genetic diseases through scientific research of excellence, selected according to the best practices shared at the international level.

To date, Telethon has invested over € 371 million in research, funding 2431 research projects, and has produced more than 9000 publications in international scientific journals. Above all, Telethon support has led to the development of 26 different therapeutic strategies currently under development.

For more information: www.telethon.it

