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EMERGING MARKETS ROUNDTABLE (EMR) Luncheon

Tuesday, June 11, 2013 | 1:00PM

HOSTED BY:

The Ambassador of Italy

His Excellency Claudio Bisogniero

&

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WITH HONORED GUEST:

Jacopo Annese, Ph.D.

Founder and CEO of the Institute for Brain and Society Director of The Brain Observatory at the University of California San Diego

Guests

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About the Speaker: Jacopo Annese, Ph.D., Founder and CEO of the Institute for Brain and Society and Director of The Brain Observatory at the University of California San Diego, will be our honored guest speaker. He graduated from the University of Rome (La Sapienza) with a Master degree in Biology and Zoology. He obtained his Masters in Neurological Science from University College London (London, UK) and a Ph.D. in Cognitive Neuroscience from Dartmouth College (NH, USA). His work has been featured in a variety of broadcasting media, including PBS NOVA, ABC, CNN, National Geographic, BBC, Discovery Channel, *The New York Times, Bloomberg News, Esquire Magazine*, and *Discover Magazine*.

About The Brain Observatory: Researchers at The Brain Observatory specialize in neuroanatomical techniques, as well as computer-aided microscopy and morphometry to describe the architecture of the human brain. Dr. Annese will talk about the Digital Brain Library, a novel collection of neurological and biographical data from medical patients and ordinary healthy individuals who have chosen to donate the brain to the project. Included in the brain bank are renowned scientists, artists, and one of the most famous cases in the history of medicine: the amnesic patient H.M. In the short term, the archive is answering crucial questions about the mechanisms of major neurological diseases like Parkinson and Alzheimer's; in the long term the brain library will match future patients living with neurological disease to images and data that Annese and his team are collecting now. The Digital brain Library Project was featured as the world's most innovative brain bank by the Financial Times (December 2011).