

## **IDDI (International Drug Development Institute) Announces Collaborative Agreement with I-BioStat (Interuniversity Institute for Biostatistics and statistical Bioinformatics)**

Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium, 15 June 2010 – IDDI, the International Drug Development Institute, a corporation based in Louvain-la-Neuve, announces that it has signed a collaborative agreement with I-BioStat, the Interuniversity Institute for Biostatistics and statistical Bioinformatics, which links research and consultancy groups at the Universities of Hasselt and Leuven in Belgium. The agreement will enable IDDI and I-BioStat to offer the full range of biostatistical services to the pharmaceutical and biotechnology sectors. Says Damien Tremolet, IDDI's CEO: "This collaboration is a strategic move to position IDDI as the leading contract research organization offering biostatistical services for new drug development. This agreement is truly synergistic as it combines IDDI's experience in data management, information technology and data analysis with I-BioStat's track record in cutting-edge statistical research." Professor Geert Molenberghs, Director of I-BioStat and a world opinion leader in biostatistics, adds: "The collaboration with IDDI will enable I-BioStat to deliver high-level consultancy to pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies, using the talent available at two Universities and a private company. It is aimed at combining academic excellence with a thorough understanding of the regulatory constraints of the health care sector." Professor Tomasz Burzykowski, VP of Research at IDDI, also welcomed the agreement: "With the large number of compounds that are candidates for clinical testing, we need all the help we can get from biostatistics and bioinformatics to optimize the clinical development of a new drug. We will continue to develop new methodology in response to our clients' needs, ranging from adaptive and Bayesian trial designs to validation of biomarkers and surrogate endpoints".

- *About IDDI*

IDDI is a privately owned company with 20 years experience, providing key expertise to optimise the clinical development process in the areas of biostatistics, data management and information systems. For information about IDDI, please visit <http://www.iddi.com/>

- *About I-BioStat*

I-BioStat links the Center for Statistics at Hasselt University and the Biostatistical Centre at Leuven University in a single entity responsible for education, high-level scientific consulting, and research in biostatistics, bioinformatics, and statistics. For information about I-BioStat, please visit <http://www.ibiostat.be/default.asp>

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