



**Announcement, Preliminary Program and Call for Abstracts for
the**

1999 - 2nd INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP

of the

VISIBLE HUMAN DATASET - MILANO MIRROR SITE®

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Foreword

After the agreement established between the **National Library of Medicine** and the **Politecnico di Milano**, the **VISIBLE HUMAN DATASET - MILANO MIRROR SITE®** opened its service on February 17, 1997. Its mission is the improvement of the service to the Continental Europe users of the Visible Human Dataset. It is operated by **CILEA**, the Lombardia Region Interuniversity Consortium for Communication and Information Technology. The level of the services provided in the first biennium has been made possible by the sponsorships given by **Bracco**, **Hewlett-Packard**, **Imation** and **Telecom Italia**.

Patronages

The **VISIBLE HUMAN DATASET - MILANO MIRROR SITE®** has the Patronage of the **Italian Ministry for Foreign Affairs**, and of the **Lombardia Region**. Patronage of the **Italian Ministry of Health** is on the way. Patronages for the present 2nd International Workshop are requested to the Medical Faculties of the Università di Milano as well as to the Scientific Societies who have already given scientific hospitality to the **VISIBLE HUMAN DATASET - MILANO MIRROR SITE®** in their Main Conferences. They are the European Society of Radiology, the European Society of Cardiology, the Società Italiana di Radiologia Medica, the Società Italiana di Anatomia, the Società Italiana di Cardiologia.

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

1.1 - Invited Speakers Presentations and Discussions. *organized with the support of the "Direzione Generale delle Relazioni Culturali"* *of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs*

A limited number of Invited Lectures illustrating both the services provided by the **VISIBLE HUMAN DATASET - MILANO MIRROR SITE®** and its international role will be presented.

1.2 - Poster Session of Scientific Contributions

The submission of Scientific Contributions is encouraged, particularly from those European groups absent for logistics reasons from the 2nd Visible Human Project Conference, held in Bethesda on October 1 and 2, 1998.

Abstracts submission rules are available at the address

<http://vhd-mms.cilea.it/workshop99/abstract.html>

Abstracts should be submitted by E-mail only to VHDmilano@cilea.it

Accepted Scientific Contributions will be presented as Poster only. Nevertheless their full text in hypertext form will be collected and published in the Workshop Proceedings on CD-ROM.

The rules for the Poster preparation are available at the address

<http://vhd-mms.cilea.it/workshop99/poster.html>

The rules for the submission of the Scientific Contributions and for preparation of the full-text hypertext-version of the accepted abstracts are available on the

VISIBLE HUMAN DATASET - MILANO MIRROR SITE® Web Site at the site

<http://vhd-mms.cilea.it/workshop99/hyperpaper.html>

1.3 - Continental Europe VHD Users Forum

According to the main mission of **VISIBLE HUMAN DATASET - MILANO MIRROR SITE®**, a meeting among the VHD users working in the Continental Europe will be held. Inspired to the scope of "*Help Us to Help You Better*", the Forum should evaluate what the **MILANO MIRROR SITE** is now doing for making its mission into better practice. It will also design what may be done in the near future.

Groups and individuals interested in active presentation of subjects are invited to send in advance to VHDmilano@cilea.it a one-page description of the subject they want recommend for the Forum agenda. The descriptions will be made available to the Forum attendees.

1.4 - Demonstration boots

A limited number of table boots can be made available free-of-charge to interested Institutions, Scientific Societies and Companies. The use of the table boots is intended for demonstrating and/or advertising products, services, researches and other initiatives based on the Visible Human Dataset.

Table Boot requests should be sent to VHDmilano@cilea.it

1.5 - Tutorial

*organized with the support of the "Centro di Ingegneria Biomedica"
of the Italian "Consiglio Nazionale delle Ricerche"*

A half-day tutorial will be given the afternoon of February 18, 1999, i.e. the day before the Workshop. The tutorial is intended for those willing to acquire basic knowledge on the Visible Human Dataset, included the practical modes for using the data and as well as some of the results that can be obtained by them. An additional parallel edition in Italian language of the Tutorial will be considered according to a sufficient number of registrations.

The tutorial registration fee includes one copy on the CD-ROM *"Bioimages for Europe '98"*, a publication of the **VISIBLE HUMAN DATASET - MILANO MIRROR SITE®**

1.6 - Press Conference

A Press Conference will be held at lunch time of the Workshop day, February 19, 1999.

DEADLINES

Scientific Abstracts, Forum Subjects, Request for assignment of Demonstration Boots and any other communication should be submitted via E-mail only, sent to VHDmilano@cilea.it.

Deadline for the submission of Abstracts is **January 6, 1999**. Authors will be notified about the acceptance of their contributions by January 15, 1999. The Posters should be carried to the Workshop by the authors. The final hypertext form of the accepted contributions should be given by the day of the Workshop.

PROCEEDINGS on CD-ROM

The Proceedings will be regularly published on CD-ROM only by the **VISIBLE HUMAN DATASET - MILANO MIRROR SITE®**

REGISTRATION FORMS AND FEES

Registration forms for attending the Workshop and/or the Tutorial are available on Web site

<http://vhd-mms.cilea.it/workshop99/registration.html>

Reduced registration fees will be allowed to the Authors of accepted abstracts and to Students.

VENUE

All the sites of the different considered events are on the "Leonardo da Vinci" campus of the Politecnico di Milano.

The general address is: Piazza Leonardo da Vinci, 32 - 20133 Milano - Italy

The campus is located downtown Milano, at a walking distance from the Piola stop of the Green Line of the Milano subway. Specific sites are as it follows:

- a) Room WW is for the main Workshop;
- b) Lobby SP&DB is for Scientific Posters and Demonstration Booths;
- c) Room TU is for the Tutorial;
- d) Room PC is for the Press Conference

ACCOMMODATIONS

A local travel agent, at a walking distance from the "Leonardo da Vinci" campus of the Politecnico di Milano, is CLUP Viaggi. In looking for assistance for your accommodation in Milano you can reach CLUP Viaggi at italy@clupviaggi.it, as well as at <http://www.clupviaggi.it>

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