

Milan, December 2013

This year, Etere Srl has decided to take the money set aside for the traditional Christmas presents and donate it to EMERGENCY's Italy Programme, sharing a valuable gesture of solidarity with you via this letter.

EMERGENCY began working in Italy in 2006, offering free healthcare to immigrants that otherwise had no access to treatment because they were "illegal", didn't understand the language, or didn't know how to find their way around the Italian healthcare system.

Today, although medical treatment is a right acknowledged by the Constitution, an increasing number of Italians are asking us for free healthcare.

By sustaining the work of EMERGENCY's Italy Programme, Etere Srl is helping our doctors and nurses to go on examining and treating - free of charge - the growing number of men, women and children who turn up every day at our outpatient clinics in Palermo, Marghera and Polistena, at the drop-in centre for socio-medical assistance in Sassari, and at our mobile clinics.

We hope that, for you too, the choice made by Etere Srl is the best way of wishing a Happy Christmas and a 2014 of peace, justice and dignity for everyone.

Warm thanks and heartfelt best wishes from everyone at EMERGENCY.

Cecilia Strada Chairperson of EMERGENCY

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