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THE OIV TOGETHER WITH LEADING GRAPE AND WINE COMPANIES TEAMS UP FOR RESEARCH

AS A NEW WAY OF COLLABORATION IN THE OIV ACTIVITIES, A CONSORTIUM GATHERING 5 GRAPE AND WINE COMPANIES WILL PROMOTE AND SUPPORT THE ORGANISATION WORK ON RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT.

The OIV welcomed the signature of a consortium agreement between <u>Viña</u> <u>Concha y Toro</u> (Chile), <u>Moët-Hennessy</u> (France), <u>Sogrape</u> (Portugal), <u>Familia</u> <u>Torres</u> (Spain) and <u>Yalumba Family Winemakers</u> (Australia) with the objective of contributing to promoting and supporting the Organisation's technical and scientific diffusion.

The OIV will foster a fruitful dialogue with important companies of the vitivinicultural sector to mutualise research and knowledge transfer efforts.

To set the stage, the companies in the consortium are engaging with each other to identify research areas that are consensually recognised as priorities for the grape and wine sector.

In the follow up, and in the scope of OIV grants, the consortium will:

- propose research grant subjects
- advise during the selection process
- when applicable, host grant recipients
- develop joint communication actions.

For 2021-2022 grants, some of the planned areas to be considered will cover the main scientific areas of the different OIV Commissions and Sub Commissions and will respond in turn to the objectives of the OIV Strategic Plan for the period 2020-2024.



Note for editors

The OIV is the intergovernmental organisation of a scientific and technical nature of recognised competence for its work concerning vines, wine, wine-based beverages, table grapes, raisins and other vine-based products.

It is composed of 48 Member States. In the framework of its competence, the objectives of the OIV are as follows:

to inform its members of measures
whereby the concerns of producers, consumers and other players in the vine and wine products sector may be taken into consideration;
to assist other international organisations, both intergovernmental and non-governmental, especially those that carry out standardisation activities;
to contribute to international harmonisation of existing practices and standards and, as necessary, to the preparation of new international standards in order to improve the conditions for producing and marketing vine and wine products, and to help ensure that the interests of consumers are taken into account.

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