



## Press release

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## Herambiente sets solidarity in motion

*On the occasion of its tenth birthday, the company gave Ageop Ricerca of Bologna a van equipped for its activities in support of sick children and their families*

Herambiente chose to celebrate their first 10 years by donating a 7-seater equipped van to carry out its activities to the Pediatric Hematology Oncology Parents Association - Ageop Ricerca - in Bologna.

The keys of the new car were delivered yesterday to Ageop Ricerca by Andrea Ramonda, managing director of Herambiente, the Hera Group company that operates in the waste treatment sector, with particular attention to the recycling and recovery of materials and energy, in the circular economy optics with cutting-edge technologies that allow high performance, to protect the environmental quality of the areas in which it works.

The association, which is based in the Pediatric Oncology Department Lalla Seràgnoli of the Policlinico Sant'Orsola Malpighi in Bologna, has been welcoming and assisting children with cancer and their families for thirty-seven years to improve their living conditions. The donated vehicle will become an "Ageop shuttle" to carry out the daily transports with which children and families are accompanied by the three shelters to the Clinic. The Ageop Research facilities, in which small patients and parents are welcomed for free all the time of the therapies, allow to make concrete the synergy with the Pediatric Oncology Department of the Policlinico S. Orsola allowing to resort to the so-called "protected resignations". This means that children can be discharged as soon as possible, continuing therapies "at home" and therefore significantly improving their quality of life. When the children are not from Bologna, Ageop Ricerca's facilities become "their home" and the high standards of hygiene and health with which they are designed make them a safe and welcoming haven in which to face the therapeutic period without ever being left alone in front of the disease.

"On the occasion of Herambiente's tenth birthday, born in 2009 - comments Andrea Ramonda, CEO of the company -, we wanted to testify with a concrete act our bond with the territory on which we operate and to do so we have chosen to contribute to the commitment of an important and active association in Bologna, such as Ageop Ricerca, which works to support and help many families".

"Herambiente wanted to celebrate its anniversary by giving a gift to Ageop Research. The decision to share the moments of celebration with gestures of great value and social impact - comments Gianfranco Marino, president of Ageop Ricerca Onlus - is an element that distinguishes ethical companies like Herambiente, which are at the forefront of the virtuous development of our territory, so the car donated by Hera will allow children to be accompanied every day by the Ageop Research Houses at the hospital, supporting their present and giving the association the possibility of continue to build a possible future for them every day, so we sincerely thank you in Herambiente".