

## Newsletter I/ 2014 - Congratulations Prof. Dr. Alberto Boveris

### *Cross of the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany awarded at the German Embassy in Buenos Aires*

Professor Dr. Alberto Boveris, Dean of the Faculty of Pharmacy and Biochemistry at the University of Buenos Aires, has been awarded the Cross of the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany by the President of the Federal Republic.

He received this special honor for his significant contribution for the consolidation of the bilateral relations between Argentina and Germany. The Ambassador of the German Embassy in Buenos Aires, Graf von Waldersee, awarded Professor Dr. Alberto Boveris with the Cross of the Order of Merit in the name of the Federal President Joachim Gauck with a ceremonial act in his residence on March 05, 2014.

Professor Boveris did a doctorate in Physiology, Pharmacy and Biochemistry and taught afterwards with great success in the US, Brasil and other countries. For more than 20 years he has been chair for chemistry at the Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Buenos Aires. His collaboration with Germany started more than 10 years ago with the foundation of the 'Interational Master Program in Biomedical Sciences' (IMBS) in collaboration with the University of Freiburg. The IMBS Program has graduated 55 outstanding students so far, all of whom have continued their career in academia, industry and hospitals with great success.



Ambassador Graf von Waldersee & Prof. Dr. Boveris

Only because of the constant support of Professor Boveris, the establishment of the IMBS as the first German-Argentine master program has been possible. The master program counts as an inspiration and a pioneer for the 'Centro Universitario Argentino Alemán' (CUAA), which was founded in 2012 and henceforward supports the development of university cooperations and binational study courses between Argentina and Germany.

With this honor for Professor Boveris the Ambassador Graf von Waldersee distinguished not only the merits of a renowned scientist, but also the invaluable contribution for the consolidation of the bilateral relations between Argentina and Germany. The scientific collaboration as well as the academic exchange represent a significant part of the relations between Argentina and Germany.

Thank you Alberto! Thank you Dr. Boveris!