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Dear Sir,

This Institute has decided as its contribution to the tribute of honour paid to Prof. Gini, who has retired last year from his Chair in the Rome University, having reached the age limit, to sponsor the publication of a special volume of studies.

Your collaboration in this work will be particularly appreciated.

We are enclosing herewith a circular letter outlining the general lines of the work planned.

I shall await your kind notification of acceptance, and meantime, with cordial regards, I am

Yours sincerely

(Vittorio Castellano)

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With the beginning of the academic year 1954-55 Prof. Corrado Gini has retired from the Chair of Statistics at the Faculty of Statistical, Demographic and Actuarial Sciences of the University of Rome, having reached the age limit.

A Committee appointed to do him honour which had been constituted at the University of Rome has delivered him a commemorative medal on May 6, 1955.

The Faculty of Statistical, Demographic and Actuarial Sciences, founded by him in 1936, besides participating in the above mentioned Committee, has devoted an appropriate sum to the purpose of reprinting Prof. Gini's works and has approved the initiative taken by the Institute for publishing a volume of writings in his honour.

With this publication the Institute of Statistics, whose Head Prof. Gini had been since 1928, intends not only to render him a tribute of respect, but also to make a contribution to the systematic arrangement of the multitude of ideas and results that have arisen from his versatile personality since as early as 1908 until today.

With this purpose in view, the Institute has drafted a provisional plan of the work which will be divided into four parts:

Statistical Methodology
Sociology, Demography, and Biological Sciences
Economics and Economic Statistics
Probability Calculus and Philosophy of Sciences.

Within this comprehensive scheme - on a scale necessary if it is to cover the whole field in which Gini has worked during fifty years of scientific activity - each contributor is free to select the special topic in which he is most interested, but it would be appreciated if the subject be somehow connected with Gini's work.

As the Institute expects that the number accepting this invitation will be a large one, each contribution should not exceed 20 printed pages. The works will be published in the original language, provided it is one of the following: Italian, French, English, German, Spanish.

The only condition laid down by the Institute for the acceptance of the articles is that they be scientific works and be not of a controversial character.

Each section of the work or the volume as a whole will be prefaced by an introduction provided by the Institute which will place the work of Prof. Gini within the respective period of time.

In order to enable the Institute to work out the detailed plan of the publications, we should be much obliged if you will forward to us, along with notification of your acceptance, the title and the topic of your contribution as well as the approximate date at which it will be ready.

Please reply to:

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