



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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# **ClinTec International celebrates first anniversary in new Glasgow global HQ**

Dr Rabinder Buttar, the founder, President and CEO of Scotland's leading global clinical research organisation (CRO) ClinTec International, has welcomed ClinTec International Country Managers from around the world to Glasgow in advance of a reception this evening to celebrate the first anniversary of relocating her global headquarters to the city.

Commenting on the anniversary, Dr Buttar said:

"I feel very proud and honoured when I consider all that we have achieved together. While ClinTec has experienced a great deal of growth and change in its 13-year existence, this year really has been nothing short of exceptional. We have taken on a large number of new staff and are now represented in 38 countries around the world. Despite the very real economic challenges experienced by all in business this year I can say, and say with a great deal of confidence, that this amazing growth trend will continue.

"I started ClinTec International in Germany 13 years ago at the tail end of another well-documented recession. I had worked for well-established international pharmaceutical companies, including Wellcome (now GlaxoSmithKline), Wyeth, and Fujisawa (now Astellas), but I took the risk, had faith in 'my product,' and started my own company. With the help and support of my staff and my family we have together forged a truly global entity," said Dr Buttar.

"Just over a year ago I took another risk and decided to relocate my global headquarters here to Glasgow. A decision that came as a huge surprise to some. But I saw it as a challenge, a homecoming, and I succeeded. Now this Scottish company, ClinTec International, is a respected presence around the world from Latin America to South Africa to India.

"Today ClinTec is taking the lead in pioneering clinical trials. We were at the vanguard of efforts to open up India and this model is being replicated in the Middle East, North Africa - and even Siberia. It has meant taking risks, but we were prepared to invest our time, effort and indeed our money into these territories and our decisions have reaped rewards," said Dr Buttar.

"Now we are the acknowledged experts at breaking into as well as developing expertise in new and emerging markets. Our unrivalled local expertise, including our knowledge of local regulatory requirements and cultures, is our strength and it means the major pharmaceutical firms always have the utmost confidence in us.



"At ClinTec we truly are wired into the wider world – and my ambition now is to see more and more Scots realise how vitally important it is to build international links – and at the same time prove that Scotland is and always will be a great place to do business."

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### **Notes to Editors**

#### **About ClinTec International**

ClinTec International is a global contract clinical research organisation, which was established in 1997 by Dr Rabinder Buttar, the company's President and CEO. ClinTec International has a presence in almost 40 developed and emerging countries, covering Western Europe, Central & Eastern Europe, the Middle East and North Africa, Central and South Africa, Latin America, India and the US.

In addition to ClinTec International's vast expertise in oncology, the organisation has also conducted over 150 clinical trials in other therapeutic areas including anti-infectives, cardiology, dermatology, gastroenterology, neurology, respiratory medicine and rheumatology. ClinTec International excels in conducting clinical studies in diverse geographical locations, supported by a team of world-class project managers and clinical research associates. ClinTec International's 'fast, flexible and focused' approach to clinical research ensures an added advantage to the drug development process. The organisation's range of services includes Clinical Monitoring and Project Management, Regulatory Affairs, Medical Writing, Data Management and Biostatistics, Global Clinical Resourcing, Quality Assurance, Drug Development Consultancy and Clinical Training courses.

#### **ClinTec Media:**

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