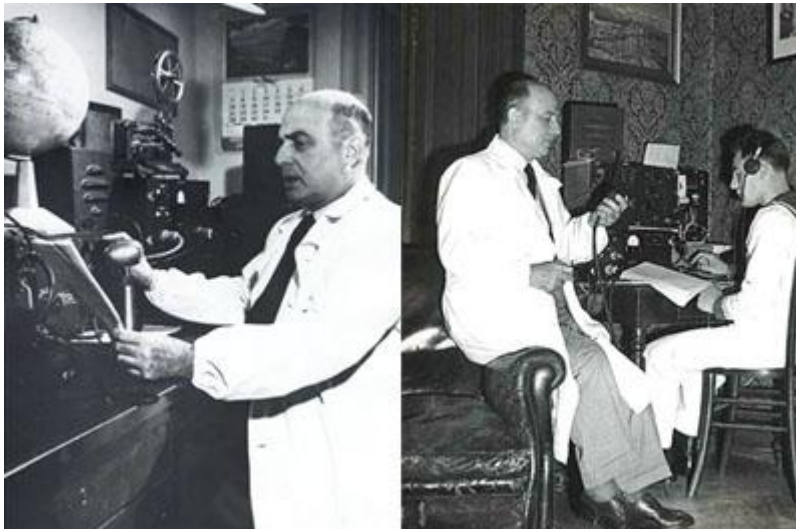


IN MEMORY OF GUIDO GUIDA ON THE 56TH ANNIVERSARY OF HIS DEATH

On February 19, 56 years ago, Guido Guida, the doctor who made it possible through his work, insights and great sacrifices to put into practice Guglielmo Marconi's idea of using radio, his invention, for medical purposes as well, died.

A ship in the middle of the sea is, probably, the most isolated place in the world. Isolation that becomes dramatic when there is someone sick on board. Sick people who, in addition to the affection of fellow crew members, cannot count on dedicated medical care. This is because cargo ships do not have medical or paramedical personnel on board. So here it is that thanks to radio yesterday, satellite systems today, those in need may have a doctor available to treat them.



Caring for the remotely ill is something fascinating, bordering on the prodigious, and we owe it to Guido Guida. The International Radio Medical Center (C.I.R.M.), his brainchild, was so well established that it has outlived him and continues to offer to people on ships or planes the necessary medical care. This testifies that great ideas outlive their originator and bring long-term benefits.

On the anniversary of Guido Guida's death, we remember him for all the good he did and the benefits that his ideas put into practice continue to give. A gratitude that goes beyond the wide spaces of the seas and skies for having put the bases of telemedicine, which today is increasingly a major player in medicine.

"And when have we ever seen you sick....and come to visit you?....Every time you have done these things to just one of these younger brothers of mine you have done it to me."

Thank you, Guido, for what you have done for the good of humanity, for all the sick people assisted and saved lives. We hope to be worthy successors to you and carry on the mission of never leaving alone those who are sick at sea or in the skies.