Abstract: The BeFOre project aims at establishing a multi-lateral network of research and innovation staff active in olive germplasm access, conservation, evaluation and exploitation, strengthening research capacities through the exchange of knowledge and expertise on a shared research program focused on developing integrated common protocols to phenotype and characterize plants at molecular, morphological and physiological level, and evaluating the olive oil quality related to varieties. BeFOre is aimed at creating a long lasting network among partners, also promoting new common projects in the frame of Horizon2020 and other international funding sources. Role of the Università degli Studi di Perugia: The University of Perugia participates to Before with two Departments: Department of Experimental Medicine and Department of Agricultural, Food and Environmental Sciences. In particular the Department of Experimental Medicine is Work Package Leader of the activities concerning the legal and bioethical issues (Considering the legal and ethical issues concerning the construction of germplasm collections. Elaboration of rules concerning the access rights. Training and coaching on ethics and legal aspects)