Dear Oliver, I have just learnt of the demise of our dear Professor. I am very saddened to hear this news and my hearth is in pieces. Prof. Swaminathan was my idol and has guided my professional carrier in so many ways. But he was also a spiritual father for me. I will treasure his lessons of humbleness and altruism that only great people like him can donate to the world.. His impact all over the world is enormous and his legacy is there to stay.

Please convey my deep condolences to prof's daughters and to dear family of MSSRF.

Sincerely yours. Stefano.

From Stefano Padulosi, Bioversity International