



## Press Release

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### Vogue Italia and Kering team up to offer internships to young talents in the fashion industry

**∞ Through the 'Empower Talents' programme, Kering brands will offer internships opportunities and Vogue Italia will help select profiles of talented young candidates**

As part of the Vogue Talents project, Vogue Italia and Kering have teamed up to help start off talented young people who are seeking a career in the luxury industry. Vogue Italia will publish the internship offers and help select candidates for internships within eight of the Kering luxury brands: Gucci, Bottega Veneta, Brioni, Sergio Rossi, Boucheron, Girard-Perregaux, Jeanrichard and Pomellato. A total of 23 internships will be offered, which will be in the following areas: the style and creative department, product development, marketing/communications, PR, visual merchandising, merchandising and digital. They will be based in Italy, France or Switzerland and will be offered paid internship contracts as per local standards.

The list of internship positions will be posted on [www.vogue.it](http://www.vogue.it) on 20 September. This will include a description of each internship project and the selection criteria. Candidates, who can be of any nationality, will have until 30 November to submit their project together with their resume as well as a 30 second video presentation.

A joint team from Kering and related brands will then form a short-list and interview candidates in order to choose the most suitable profiles. The names of the selected candidates will then be revealed, and they will join some of the luxury industry's most celebrated brands for an internship starting January 2014.

Vogue Italy and Kering will celebrate the launch of this first 'Empower Talents' programme at a private event hosted by Franca Sozzani, Vogue Italia editor-in-chief, and Francois-Henri Pinault, Kering chairman and CEO, at Palazzo Morando, Milan, on 20 September, 2013.

An editorial project created in September 2009, Vogue Talents is a vital link between fashion companies and talented young people. It is published as a supplement to Vogue Italia once a year in the September issue. Vogue Talents promotes up-and-coming creativity through supporting initiatives in search of new talent: events, contests and workshops focused on youth.

Franca Sozzani, Vogue Italia editor in chief declared: *"Supporting a new generation of young talents is crucial for the future of the entire fashion system. Vogue Italia has been working on this for many years, through creating awards, establishing a page dedicated to Talents on [vogue.it](http://vogue.it), and publishing the annual Vogue Talents supplement. Kering and its brands are devoted to working with young talents and helping them with internships is just one example. I strongly believe that together we can make the difference for many new talents."*

François-Henri Pinault, chairman and CEO of Kering, commented: *"I am delighted to launch this partnership with Vogue Italia thanks to Franca Sozzani's commitment. Attracting, retaining and developing talent is a priority for Kering and its brands. Nurturing talent is part and parcel of Kering's philosophy of Empowering Imagination."*



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**About Vogue Italia**

*Vogue Italia, headed by Editor Franca Sozzani since 1988, over the years it has become an icon of style and elegance. Not only has Vogue never followed the styles of other magazines, but it has created its own styles, paving the way for others, especially in the way of photographers, graphic design, models, stylists, and obviously, for fashion services. Vogue Italia comes out in 12 issues each year and includes important supplements such as Vogue Unique, dedicated to high fashion and luxury, Casa Vogue, a unique showcase of interior designers, Shopping in Vogue and Beauty in Vogue.*

**About Kering**

*A world leader in apparel and accessories, Kering develops an ensemble of powerful Luxury and Sport & Lifestyle brands: Gucci, Bottega Veneta, Saint Laurent, Alexander McQueen, Balenciaga, Brioni, Christopher Kane, McQ, Stella McCartney, Sergio Rossi, Boucheron, Dodo, Girard-Perregaux, JeanRichard, Pomellato, Qeelin, Puma, Volcom, Cobra, Electric and Tretom. By 'empowering imagination' in the fullest sense, Kering encourages its brands to reach their potential, in the most sustainable manner.*

*Present in more than 120 countries, the Group generated revenues of €9.7 billion in 2012 and had 33,000 employees at year end. The Kering (previously PPR) share is listed on Euronext Paris (FR 0000121485, KER.PA, KER.FP).*

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