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Stefano Ronchi is a Full Professor of Business Management and Organisation as well as Vice Rector for Education and Learning at the Politecnico di Milano, where he completed both his degree in Management Engineering and his PhD in Management, Economics and Industrial Engineering.

Throughout his career, he has held numerous institutional roles, including Chairman of the Management Engineering degree programme, Rector's Delegate for International Affairs, Chairman of the Steering Committee of ENHANCE, Vice President of Unitech and a member of the PoliMI 2040 commission. Currently a member of IPSERA and the Board of Directors of Arcadia, he has also served as Director of the MBA programme and Corporate Education in the Graduate School of Management at the Politecnico di Milano.

With over 150 contributions in books and scientific articles, as well as international awards, his research focuses on process and organisational transformation, with particular attention to procurement, the supply chain, spend governance, procurement organisation, key performance indicators, negotiation, supply chain finance and public procurement.

He has taught courses and seminars at different European universities and has been Visiting Professor at Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Universidad de Buenos Aires. He has been part of the National Scientific Qualification Commission for Management Engineering and has collaborated with companies and organisations such as Astaldi, Corte di Cassazione, Enel, Eni, Fincantieri, Gucci, IBM, Istat, Mediaset, Ministero della Giustizia, Pirelli and Unicredit.



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Vision

“The Politecnico di Milano as a source of value for the country and, looking ahead, for the European Union”. This is Ronchi’s vision and conviction. The multifaceted mindset and holistic approach to managing opportunities and solving problems of our architects, designers, and engineers are essential for the country when it comes to tackling the major challenges of the future in an increasingly complex and global context. Ronchi’s involvement in public and private projects has convinced him that the ‘Politecnico way’ can create value across all fields, not just in strictly technological areas, from economy to politics, but also from healthcare to justice.

This is achieved by educating young people, who will need to design, build and lead future society. This is why Ronchi has heavily invested in education, from corporate and MBA post-graduate training programmes to the transformation of the Management Engineering degree course and the creation of mentorship programmes. He has also contributed to the university’s prominence in leading international academic networks such as the IDEA League, to ensure that its talent receives the eclectic and intercultural exposure that has become a critical factor of success in today’s interconnected world. The hope is that university graduates following the Politecnico approach will make a significant impact on the world of tomorrow.

Education, as well as advanced research, technology transfer, entrepreneurship and the ability to influence public opinion and political choices, are crucial factors today in contributing to the sustainable growth of the country within the European Union, which is facing increasingly complex challenges in a rapidly evolving global scenario.

This context forms a background for the European Universities project, with Ronchi as a representative from the Politecnico promoting it from the very beginning in Brussels. The goal is to train European students and researchers capable of operating on a global scale while spreading the foundational and distinctive values of the European Union.



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