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Manuela Grecchi is Full Professor of Technical Architecture at Politecnico di Milano, where she took a degree in Architecture and a PhD in Building Engineering.

She is Vice Rector of the Lecco Campus and she has held many official positions over the years. She has served as Vice Rector with responsibility for the built heritage and head of the University's Strategic Project "Città Studi Sustainable Campus", applying good practices to improve the environmental quality of the campus. She has also led and coordinated the PhD Course in Building Systems Engineering and the Master's course in Building and Architectural Engineering at Politecnico di Milano.

She was also as an Expert Member of the project for preventing and mitigating risks to buildings (Mission Body of the Presidency of the Council of Ministers of the Italian Government), with the task of studying and determining critical structural and energy issues in our built heritage.

She is also involved in teaching and research, focusing on matters related to the upgrading of existing disused assets, with a particular focus on energy efficiency and liveability. She is the author of many publications on the subject of reclamation and building design, and has taken part in research projects with Italian and European funding.



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"Our goal is to put the person right at the centre, encouraging sport and an active lifestyle. We want to promote inclusion, support vulnerability, and help rehabilitation through physical activity, creating opportunities for people to improve their physical and mental well-being". As Vice Rector of the Lecco Campus, Manuela Grecchi views innovation in teaching, research and relationships in the area in terms of three key words: well-being, inclusion and sustainability.

The Lecco Campus encapsulates the Vision and Mission of Politecnico di Milano, in terms of the influence it has on the local context. It is a strategic partner for institutions, for companies, and for the world of social contacts and collaboration. This role is supported by the use of experimentation, and by the application of good practice in the areas of sustainability, inclusion, sport and personal well-being. In this way, the Campus makes an active contribution to growth and sustainable development, also by working together with centres of excellence in the area.

The Lecco Campus demonstrates the importance of social research and innovation, within a context where an interdisciplinary approach is so vital. Its actions and projects are guided by the knowledge that innovating systems requires a collaborative, multi-level and multi-actor approach. The need to rethink modes of teaching must therefore include the active involvement of stakeholders, companies and strategic partners.

The Campus has worked closely with its clinical partners in the area, and is now is recognised by the Lombardy Region as a centre of multidisciplinary expertise in the field of rehabilitation, and on issues related to disability and inclusion. Research groups from different departments, with complementary skills and training, are constantly collaborating on funded projects, working both with each other and with clinical bodies.

The great strengths of the Campus include the co-design and clinical validation of enabling technologies: technologies for analysing movement and monitoring psycho-



physical functions, as well as digital technologies and solutions for managing the process of rehabilitation. The Campus is an important point of reference in the area and a catalyst for opportunity. It is closely involved in various Public Engagement initiatives aimed at promoting and spreading ascientific culture in primary and secondary schools throughevents and activities designed to raise awareness of STEM disciplines.



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