

# ASP day

20<sup>th</sup> Cycle  
**Graduation Ceremony**

22<sup>nd</sup> Cycle  
**Opening Ceremony**

**February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026**  
**Aula Carassa e Dadda**

Politecnico di Milano  
Via Raffaele Lambruschini, 4 - Milano

**Link to the live streaming:** [www.asp-poli.it/live-streaming](http://www.asp-poli.it/live-streaming)

## ALTA SCUOLA POLITECNICA

In 2004, the Politecnico di Milano and the Politecnico di Torino launched the Alta Scuola Politecnica (ASP), an honours programme focused on multidisciplinary and innovation. Since then, twenty cycles of ASP studies have been activated. ASP is a school for young and exceptionally talented students, with a passion for innovation, who wish to develop their potential in a multidisciplinary community.

ASP fosters new approaches aimed at developing tailored education by engaging students into personalized learning programmes. ASP selects 150 students per year, among the top 5% applicants to Master Degree programmes in Engineering, Architecture and Design at Politecnico di Milano (PoliMi) and Politecnico di Torino (PoliTo).

This year the ASP Opening (22nd cycle) and Graduation Ceremony (20th cycle) is an opportunity to celebrate those who have successfully completed a demanding and intense path, and also to reflect about the unique features of the ASP programme, that combines the robustness of deep vertical education - provided by the Master Degree programs at Politecnico di Milano and Politecnico di Torino - with the richness and openness of a horizontal interdisciplinary program - offered by ASP.

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## ASP 20<sup>th</sup> Cycle Graduation

- 09:15**    **Welcome**  
Stefano Ronchi, Vice Rector for Education and Learning, Politecnico di Milano  
Elena Baralis, Deputy Rector, Politecnico di Torino  
Fulvio Corno, Vice Rector for Education, Politecnico di Torino
- 09:40**    **Alta Scuola Politecnica: Mission, Vision and Strategy**  
Elisabetta Raguseo, Director, Alta Scuola Politecnica
- 09:55**    **Keynote Speech**  
Giusy Cannone, Partner at Primo Climate
- 10:30**    **Showcase of the 20<sup>th</sup> Cycle Student Achievements**  
MI\_AMI\_BEATs  
MoSt A22 Hubs  
PNRelay  
Recycled Pavilion  
ElectroOptimize
- 11:20**    **ASP Student Representatives, 20<sup>th</sup> Cycle**
- 11:30**    **ASP Alumni Executive Board**
- 11:40**    **Graduation Ceremony**
- 12:15**    **BREAK**

## ASP 22<sup>nd</sup> Cycle Opening Ceremony

- 14:00**    **The Alta Scuola Politecnica Learning Model**  
Manuela Celi, Deputy Director, Alta Scuola Politecnica
- 14:15**    **ASP Courses**  
Francesca Abastante and Veronica Chiodo, ASP Executive Board
- 14:30**    **Multidisciplinary Projects**  
Elena Vigliocco and Andrea Zanoni, ASP Executive Board
- 14:45**    **Keynote Speech**  
Derrick de Kerckhove, Renowned Canadian sociologist and media theorist
- 15:30**    **Showcase of the 20<sup>th</sup> Cycle Student Achievements**  
PNRelay
- 15:40**    **ASP Alumni Executive Board**
- 15:50**    **Closing Remarks**  
Elisabetta Raguseo, Director, Alta Scuola Politecnica

## Biographies

### Giusy Cannone

Giusy Cannone has a Master Degree in Industrial Engineering (2007-2009) and Alta Scuola Politecnica Diploma, Management and Innovation, 2007 - 2009 (IV Cycle). She has 15+ years of experience in the investment and startups area. She is a partner at Primo Climate, a VC fund investing in early-stage companies targeting innovation in the climate tech field. In the previous 10 years she has been active in the fashion and sustainability industry, investing in several digital startups across different countries. She has also gained experience in the Middle East market by working closely with countries such as Qatar and Bahrain and Asia, working with South Korea and China. Previously, she has been an investment manager at Italian Angels for Growth, a business angels network with €14M invested. Previously, she was an innovation specialist at Intesa Sanpaolo Bank, running a programme which supports the business development of high-tech start-ups. Earlier, she had spent several months in the United States working first as a researcher at the Kauffman Foundation, then at the Mind the Bridge Foundation as a coordinator of the incubation programme in San Francisco. She has also been involved in consultancy projects to develop entrepreneurial ecosystems in different countries.

### Derrick de Kerckhove

Derrick de Kerckhove (born 1944 in Belgium) is a Canadian sociologist and internationally renowned media theorist whose work focuses on digital culture and the cognitive effects of communication technologies. A close collaborator and assistant to Marshall McLuhan, he later directed the McLuhan Program in Culture & Technology at the University of Toronto, playing a key role in extending the legacy of the Toronto School of Communication into the fields of digital media and networked intelligence. His research investigates how media function as psychotechnologies that reshape perception, knowledge, and social organization, with particular attention to the Internet and networked intelligence. He is Scientific Director of Media Duemila and the Osservatorio TuttiMedia, and Director of Research at the Internet Interdisciplinary Institute (IN3) of the Open University of Catalonia. Among his most influential books are Brainframes: Technology, Mind and Business, The Skin of Culture: Investigating the New Electronic Reality, and Connected Intelligence: The Arrival of the Web Society. His most recent book is L'uomo quantistico (Rai Libri, 2025).