Preface

This is the third and last volume in the series inspired by the cycle of three seminars connected to the celebrations of the 150th anniversary of the Politecnico di Milano, entitled *The Visual Language of Technique Between Science and Art: Heritage and Expectations in Research and Teaching* and focused on *History and Epistemology* (May 2013), *Research* (June 2013), *Education* (July 2013). The book presents the contributions to the third meeting on the use of the image in education.

As the previous two books, the volume includes two *Forewords*, written by the Director of the Ph.D. School and by the Dean of the School of Architettura e Società of the Politecnico di Milano, emphasizing the crucial role of visual representation in the Engineering, Architecture and Design curricula. The topic is approached in *Part I*, through a short introduction, an *interview* with Piero Angela, father of the Italian science journalism, and an introductory essay. The following essays included in *Part II* concern the invited international lecturers’ contributions on Graphics Education, on its tradition and its present and prospective innovations. *Part III* includes talks related to the poster session *Images in Education*, where students, Ph.D. students, graduates and teachers of the Politecnico discuss their experiences and proposals about the graphic education in the University, as well as its connections with the Secondary School and with the Professional world. The *Conclusion*, proposes a report based on the discussion related to the Round Table and a *Tentative afterword*, while the *Appendix*, aiming at *hearing from the future*, collects the opinions of some interviewed students enrolled at our University.

The book is recommended to scholars, teachers, students and to all those people who are interested in the intriguing point of enhancing education in the field of visual representation in relation to Engineering, Architecture and Design. More about the cycle of seminars can be found at: [http://www.150.polimi.it](http://www.150.polimi.it).

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