

**Giulio Ballio** is Professor Emeritus of Politecnico di Milano, Rector (2002-2010). Born in Rome - Italy (1940); University Degree in Aeronautical Engineering at Politecnico di Milano (1964); Full Professor of Strength of Materials at University of Pavia (1975-1982); Full Professor of Steel Structures at Politecnico di Milano (1983-2010).

The main research work concerns typical topics of steel structures behaviour as stability of columns and beam columns, resistance and ductility of connections, safety problems, seismic design. He wrote about 130 published papers, he gave lectures and lessons during post graduated courses for architects and engineers.

In 1975 he wrote the book *Strutture in Acciaio* (co-author F.M.Mazzolani). The book was translated and published in 1984 for the English language market, with the title *Theory and Design of Steel Structures*, translated and published in China in 1988.

He was also involved in consulting and design in the field of Structural Engineering. Its major activity concerns the design of concrete, steel and timber structures, telecommunication, astronomy and space equipments, the structural repairing and rehabilitation of existing structures, the numerical simulation of structural accidents. He dealt with the restoration of monuments as the Park Tower in Milan, the Accademia Bridge in Venice, the Fraccaro Tower in Pavia. He took the responsibility for positioning with helicopter the Statue of Saint Gaudenzio at the top of the spire of the Basilica in Novara.

He participated to the activities of European Convention for Constructional Steelwork and of Joint Committee for Planning and Design of Tall Buildings as member or chairman of various Committee. He was member of the Scientific Advisory Committee of European Steel Design Education Program and convenor of the international Project Team of CEN dealing with the drafting of five Annexes to EUROCODE n. 3.

He is member of the boards of Fondazione ATM and of Prelios Integra S.p.A., member of Commissione Prefettizia per la Statica del Duomo di Milano.

He was Vice Presidente di Fondazione Triennale di Milano (2007-2013), member of the boards of Enel SpA (2005-2011), RCS Quotidiani (2007-2010), Fondazione Tronchetti Provera (2003-2010); ATM (Azienda Trasporti Milanese) (2011-2013), Fondazione Enel (2012-2015), Chairman of Scientific Committee della Società Stretto di Messina (2010-2012).