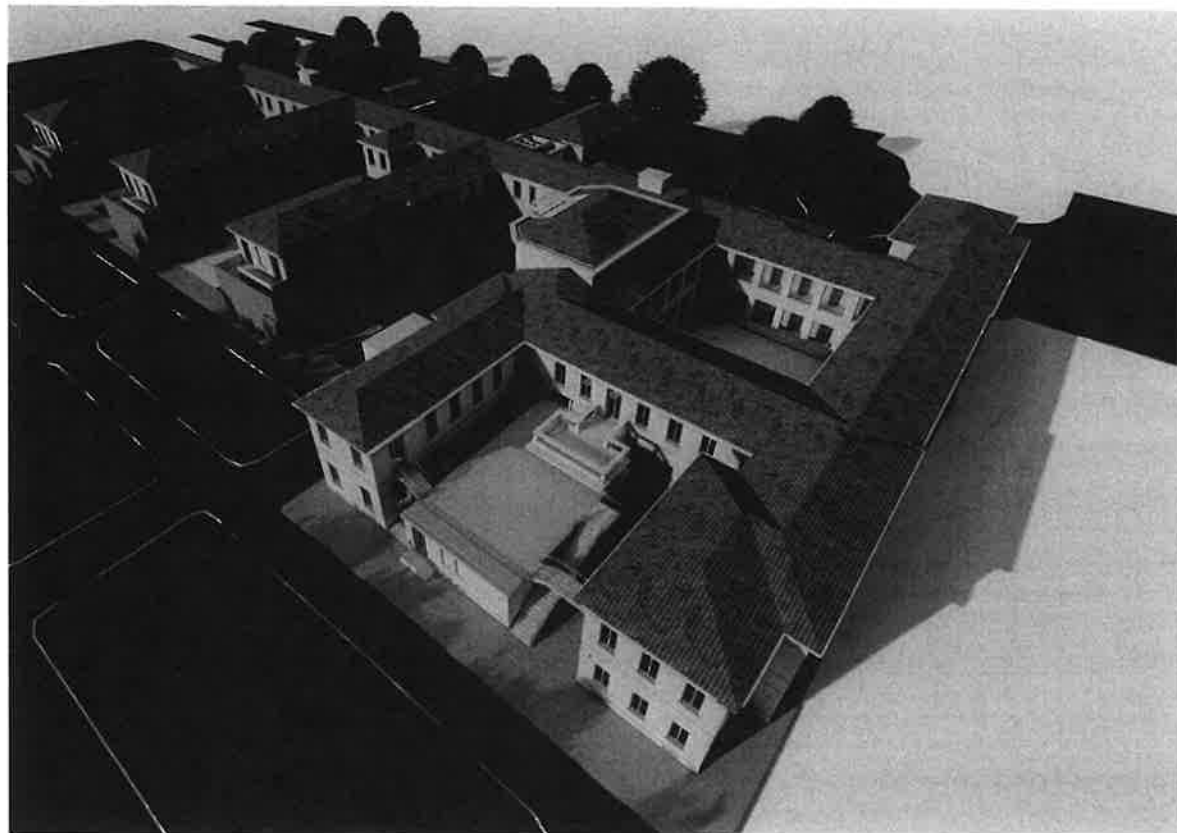


Businesses are the cornerstones of the future for the University of Pavia



Pavia has been a university city for more than 660 years; since 1361, the University of Pavia was founded, the university has characterised the city with its traditions, some of which are of great historical worth, its laboratories, its many museums, and the presence of professors and students. In virtue of this special tradition and Pavia's role as a university city, the University of Pavia has dedicated to the 2022 University Conference to the theme "University and the City: design and create spaces for knowledge". It is an opportunity to illustrate the activities and the opportunities for the University of Pavia, in light of the current scale works under way and due in the future. The debate has been enriched by the contributions of two experts, Prof. Cucinella and Fulvio Irace, and with discussions with the mayor Fracassi. The COVID-19 pandemic has led to a change in perspective and considerations over the future of Pavia as a university city; a campus where we are seeking to develop in an increasingly international dimension, with sustainable spaces for education, research and residency. This means increasing the number of students,

including foreign students, being ever more inclusive, and offering innovative and extensive teaching methods, also through new joint degrees. Pavia has always been known for welcoming students to its university colleges, a chosen destination for education and personal growth. We aim to strengthen this model, integrating the colleges within the prospectus. Some funding for the city campus will come from public tenders. Our University will be proposing restoration works for the Castiglioni-Brugnatelli College and the Golgi College, as well as the construction of a new public college on the site of the old Mondino Hospital. We are also assessing the opportunities offered by the National Recovery and Resilience Plan for the building of new residences with a mix of public and private funding. We also have a fundamental need for training and research areas. On the one hand, we are committed to maintaining our prestigious and centuries-old heritage, while on the other we need to refurbish more recent buildings that are no longer suitable for current demands. This includes the new Pharmaceutical Science Centre

and the opening of the Health Campus, which will house the Department of Medicine in the old San Matteo hospital. The idea is to design spaces that are functional to the new needs of both teachers and students (first and foremost of new teaching methods), but that are also ever more open to the community and to companies involved in innovation. In this light, the relationship between the University of Pavia and the surrounding area is characterised by the new and significant project for the Gerolamo Cardano Park for Sustainable Innovation". It is a project that combines research, education and enterprise, involving organisations and institutions. Thanks to the support of the Lombardy Region, it will play host to a "Centre for research and education", which will be joined by an infrastructure for innovative enterprises to be created in partnership with Arexpa. We are currently in an intense period of planning that will have a significant impact on the city. The pages in this supplement - for which we thank Giovanna Mazzocchi and Editoriale Domus, as well as all the writers - will examine the most significant projects. FS

In queste pagine: il Campus della Salute sarà completato entro la primavera 2023 con la riconversione dell'ex Padiglione Cliniche mediche del Policlinico San Matteo per una superficie complessiva di 9.500 mq (in alto al centro, il rendering). Nella nuova sede della facoltà di Medicina (in alto a destra, l'ingresso per gli studenti) saranno ospitate le segreterie dei dipartimenti, una biblioteca e spazi per la didattica sopra, un'aula. Complessivamente, ci saranno 16 aule e 12 sale studio distribuite in un edificio di due livelli con uno sviluppo a pettine su 160 x 65 m

■ The Health Campus will be complete in spring 2023, with the reconversion of the ex-Pavilion of Medical Clinics at the San Matteo Polyclinic for a total of 9,500 sq m centre, a rendering). The new headquarters of the Department of Medicine will host the Department registrars (top right, students entrance), a library and teaching space (above, a classroom). There will be 16 classrooms overall, set out over two floors, as well as 12 study rooms located in a two-floor building with a 160 x 65 m comb layout

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