Valentina Giacometti

Born in 1985, in 2010 she graduates cum laude in Building Engineering and Architecture at the University of Pavia. The thesis wins the "Carlo Maddalena" Onlus award. During the degree course she participates in design teams in several design activities, winning the design competition "Pavia, città per tutti" (Università di Pavia, 2006), and the international workshop "Design for All" (Politecnico di Torino, 2007).

In 2014 she receives the title of Ph.D. in Civil Engineering and Architecture, at the University of Pavia, with the thesis "Culture of Accessibility and Accessibility of Culture: an assessment tool for historical university buildings". During the Ph.D. course she carries on research activities also at the Technische Hochschule Mittelhessen-University of Applied Sciences of Gießen (Germany), she is the laboratory assistant of the teaching Architectural Technique 2 and the Tutor and organizer of several international design workshops. She participates with interventions and publications in serveral national and international conferences. She also attends the training courses "Progettare l'accessibilità per l'abolizione delle barriere architettoniche" (Bergamo, 2011), "Cultura e Progetto dell'Accessibilità" (Sondrio, 2011) and the "Start Up Program", MIP Management Academy of the Politecnico di Milano (Milano, 2015).

From June 2014 to May 2015 she has a Research Fellow at the DICAr of the University of Pavia and she develops researches and works about the accessibility and the usability of historical and cultural places.

From Octobler 2015 to September 2016 she is Visiting Researcher (Gastwissenschaftlerin) at the Technische Hochschule Mittelhessen University of Applied Sciences di Gießen, Department of Architecture and Civil Engineering. In this period she assists the didactic activities of the teachings Entwerfen III Master, Entwerfen II and Einführen ins Entwerfen.

From October 2016 until now she collaborates with the University of Pavia for international didactic projects and for the development of inclusive solutions to improve the accessibility at the building and the urban scale. She also collaborates with architectural and engineering studios.