Dear Guests of the Conference “The University and the City”,

It is with great pleasure that on behalf of the Mayor and of the Administrator I give you our warmest welcome to Pavia.

We are sure that these meeting days will be a precious chance to think and discuss about the issue, so fundamental not only for Pavia, but also for the Nation as a whole, of how a great institution like the University can relate to the City and with the cultural heritage living inside of it.

Taking this opportunity, we rejoice of inviting you to Visconteo Castle, September the 9th 2015, where we will have the pleasure to show you a great cultural initiative, planned within the season of Universal Exposition, the exhibition “Pavia, the Battle, the Future”.

In the rooms of the upper floor of Visconteo Castle, for the first time open to the public, you could contemplate one of the big seven tapestries telling the Battle of Pavia of 1525, thanks to the prestigious cooperation of the Neapolitan Museum of Capodimonte. This masterpiece goes together with a series of multimedial and 3D installations telling the Capodimonte cycle and with a whole room cared for by our University, with Prof. Virginio Cantoni. This room displays some interesting experiments undertaken within the course of Computer Vision, starting from these amazing works of art.

Therefore the exhibition dedicated to the Battle is an example of close cooperation between the University and the City: the Municipality, the Civil Museums, and the University have joined their energies to give life to a great cultural event and to tell a historic moment in which Pavia was a crossroads for European history. For this reason we would like to share with You this artistic experience.

Looking forward to meet you in Castle Visconteo,
Our best regards,

Giacomo Galazzo
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