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## Lessons from a Life Dedicated to Reliability

## An Interview with Professor Emeritus Alessandro Birolini

The honorary guest of the 12th International Conference on Quality and Dependability – CCF2010 was Professor Emeritus Dr. Alessandro Birolini from the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (ETH) Zürich, considered as a "Guru" of European Reliability.

Engineer and philosopher ("Ingenieur et penseur"), as he defined himself, Professor Alessandro Birolini brought an important contribution to the development of theory and practice of reliability, to its recognizing as an university domain of education and research. His career and life constitute a real example, especially for the young researchers in the field. With the occasion of CCF2010, Prof. Birolini gives us this interview regarding some

interesting aspects of his professional and personal life.