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Stefano Parise (1964), Director of the Public Library System of Milan, which consists of 24 interconnected libraries, serving an area with 1.3 million inhabitants.

He started his professional career in 1988 in the public library of Rozzano, near Milan, as librarian for children. At the beginning of 2000 he was appointed Director of the same library, where he contributed to develop the project of the new location on an old farm of the late 19th century. From 2006 to 2011 he used to be General Director of “Fondazione Per Leggere”, a network coordinating 58 public libraries in a half million people's area in the south west of Milan.

Meanwhile, from 2005 to 2008 he was the coordinator of Public Library National Committee of AIB and from 2008 to 2011 member of the AIB's governing board. In this role he was member of Italian executive committee for IFLA World Library and Information Congress held in Milan, August 2009.

Stefano Parise used to be President of Italian Library Association (AIB) between May 2011 and April 2014. In this role he succeeded in obtaining that the Italian Parliament should change the law concerning the sale price of books to libraries, which had fixed a maximum discount rate unfavorable for them. During his presidential period the AIB launched the National day of libraries, called “BiblioPride”, in order to show and improve the value created by libraries for the Italian society.

At present he is member of the copyright committee of Italian Library Association.

From 2007 to 2012 he used to be councillor of budget in the village where he lives.