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Born in Brescia (1957), he graduated in composition at the Milan Conservatory, while pursuing an education in the Humanities and pedagogy.

Some of his compositions won prizes and mentions in twenty national and international competitions. Among them: "Premio V. Bucchi" (Rome), 1982 and 1988, "Concours international de composition pour guitare de Sablé sur Sarthe", 1983 and 1987, "Secondo concorso internazionale Antidogma musica" (Turin), 1985, "Trio Basso Köln Internationaler Kompositions-Wettbewerb",1988, "IX Concorso nazionale di composizione Ennio Porrino" (Cagliari), 1991, "Kazimierz Serocki 7th International composers' competition" (Warsaw, 2000. "IV City of Udine

international composition award" (Udine, 2002). Since 1981 several of his compositions were performed in Italy ("Musica Attuale" and "Nuovi spazi sonori", Brescia; "Festival di musica da camera", Ferentino; "Festival chitarristico di Lagonegro"; "Festival chitarristico bustese"; "Rassegna di nuova musica di Macerata"; "Nuova musica italiana", Roma; "Festival di musica contemporanea del Coretto", Bari; "Festival Spaziomusica di Cagliari", "Festival pianistico internazionale di Brescia e Bergamo") and abroad (France, Spain, Germany, Finland, Jugoslavia, Poland, Ukraine, Japan, USA, Australia) with good response from public and critic alike. On October, 1996, the "Musikhochschule Detmold" (Stadt Münster) has invited him to present his own works during a week, especially those for and with guitar. In this time, students from the Hochschule has performed some Giacometti's pieces in a final open concert. On September 1997 his quitarconcert "Zone di confine" was premiered during the "Alicante contemporary music festival" in Spain (Madrid chamber orchestra "Reina Sofia", Ramon Encinar, conductor, and Wolfgang Weigel soloist). On September 2000 his violinconcert "The rime of the young navigator" was premiered by "Orchestra dei pomeriggi musicali di Milano" (Simone Fontanelli, conductor, and Francesco Ugolini soloist). In 1995, the editor "Rugginenti" (Milan) has published the CD "Trame e percorsi", containing his meaningful chamber music from 1981 to 1993. In 1984, Giacometti began publishing contributions in the field of musical pedagogy in Italian specialized journals and in 1988 he co-authored a textbook about music education for the Elementary School. To this day he is carrying on an intense teaching activity in seminars and clinics for music educators. In 2001, Curci musical editions (Milan) has published his book for children Insieme per suonare, insieme per capire, a new approach for teaching music through ensemble experiences.

Giacometti, who is also interested in musical analysis, especially in the pedagogical implications of the discipline for musical composition, was in 1989 one of the founding members of the "Società Italiana di Analisi Musicale" (SidAM). He still contributes to the journal of the society "Analisi" (Ricordi publisher) and he was elected to its governing board for the years 1995-2001. In 1997, for Ricordi editions, Giacometti translated from German to Italian a Zsolt Gardonyi book on the structure of Fugue in J. S. Bach.

Actually, he is engaged to translate an American manual on counterpoint (H. Owen, *Counterpoint from Josquin to Strawinski*) for Curci editor.

In 1999 "Rugginenti" has published his new book on firs level composition didactics: *Linguaggi e forme per inventare*. Since 1998 he coordinates the *Arcana Composer's Meeting*, a project aiming to offer to young composers from all the world a chance for listening their own work, apologizing with their collegues, being informed on more recent production of invited composers.

Giacometti's compositions are actually published by Rugginenti, Ricordi, Suvini-Zerboni, Bérben, EDI-PAN and Editions DELATOUR FRANCE.