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THE TELESCOPE AND THE COMPASS
TEOFILO GALLACCINI AND THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN ARCHITECTURE AND SCIENCE IN THE AGE OF GALILEO

Teofilo Gallaccini’s (1564–1641) œuvre represents a nearly intact personal archive pertaining to the sciences, architecture and the arts, as well as history, anatomy and letters. The very amount and heterogeneity of the material provides a unique snapshot of how diverse areas of knowledge communicated at a significant moment of transition: between the Renaissance and the Baroque in the arts, or, from the perspective of the sciences, on the eve of the Scientific Revolution. Following these threads, this book examines Gallaccini’s thought against the panorama of contemporary events and issues with which he interacted closely: the astronomical discoveries and condemnation of Galileo in Counter-Reformation Rome; the growing interest in mechanics, motion and engineering; the rise of a Baroque sensibility in the arts; the deep-felt need of eloquent representation techniques across disciplines; and the culture of manuscripts and oral intellectual society in the age of the printed book. A «go-between» milieu and disciplines, Gallaccini illuminates the nature of intellectual labor and its sites: the university, the academy, the princely court and the isolated haven of the private library.

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