

Biography – Franco Pavoncello

After receiving a B.A. in International Relations and Chinese and Japanese Studies (summa cum laude) from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, he continued his studies at the University of Michigan, where he obtained an M.A. and a Ph.D. in Political Science. He has been a member of the faculty at John Cabot University since 1990, where he served as Dean and Vice-President of Academic Affairs from 1996 to 2005 while continuing to lecture in Political Science. Since 2005, Franco Pavoncello is the President of John Cabot University.

A leading analyst of Italian politics, his work has appeared in, among others, the *American Political Science Review*, the *British Journal of Political Science*, and *Asian Studies*. He is also a well-known media commentator on Italian affairs, a contributor to major international newspapers, and appears regularly on radio and television networks. Since 2007 he is the Vice-President of the Association of American International Colleges and Universities.