## Prof. Angiolino Stella Rector of the University of Pavia, Italy

He is full professor in Physics at the University of Pavia from 1980. During his academic career he has been working mostly in Pavia, spending a few years at Iowa State University, Naval Research Laboratory of Washington D.C.; at the University of Nice – Sophia Antipolis; at EPFL – Lausanne.

In June 2005 Professor Stella was elected Rector of the University of Pavia for the period 2005-2009.

From the academic year 1997-98 till 2005 he served as Chairman of the European School of Advanced Studies in Materials Science of the Institute IUSS in Pavia; from February 1997 till February 2005 he served as President of the Administration Council of "Almo Collegio Borromeo" in Pavia.

In 2001-2002 he was in charge as President of the Conferenza dei Collegi Universitari legalmente riconosciuti.

From 1997 he is a member of the Executive Committee of Italian Physical Society.

He has been playing important roles of organization for Strategic Projects in Italy and in Europe; since November 1986 till March 1997 he was President of Gruppo Nazionale di Struttura della Materia and Director of "Centro Interuniversitario di Struttura della Materia" (with about two thousand researchers in more than 50 Universities or Research Centres). He was also Chairman of 15<sup>th</sup> International Conference CMD of European Physical Society (Baveno-Stresa, Italy, 1996); Chairman of Condensed Matter Physics of "Centenary Meeting" of the Italian Physical Society (Como, Italy, October 1997); winner of "Panizza Price" (Italian Physical Society – Laser Optronic) for important contribution to research in the field of interaction radiation – matter. He is a member of Scientific Committee of Ettore Majorana Foundation and Centre of Scientific Culture for the period 2006-2007-2008.

He has been editor of many volumes.

His most important scientific contributions, consisting of more than 190 articles on international journals and more than 200 oral communications and invited talks in international conferences, are related to the study of basic phenomena in condensed matter and new properties of strategic materials oriented to the development of micro-electronics, nano-electronics and opto-electronics.