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Professor Rowland-Jones was the Former Commissioner at the United Arab Emirates (UAE) Ministry of Education, Commission for Academic Accreditation (CAA) where he led reviews of Institutional Licensing and Program Accreditation. Professor Rowland-Jones chaired the revision of the UAE Federal Standards for Licensure and Accreditation in 2019, and developed working associations with international bodies such as the Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications (HKCAAVQ), The Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education in UK (QAA) and The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB).

He received his MSc in Quality and Environmental Management from the University of Glamorgan, and his PhD in Strategic Operations Management and Sustainability from the University of Wales. He is the former Head of School of Operations and Information Management at the University of the West of England, and the Head of Wrexham Business School at Glyndwr University in North Wales, where he also established the Centre for Sustainable Education Research.

Professor Rowland-Jones is an international reviewer for QAA, and a certified EFQM (European Foundation for Quality Management) assessor. He has been a specialist for HKCAAVQ, and is a reviewer for the Oman Academic Accreditation Agency (OAAA). He is the former Chief Examiner for the Chartered Quality Institute in UK where developed national and international education qualification frameworks for the Institute. He is a visiting Professor of strategic operations and sustainability at the Robert Kennedy College, Zurich, and he has published his research in international journals and received several best paper awards at academic conferences.