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## EDUCATION AND TRAINING

[11/2018 – 03/2022]

### Postdoc

Scientific Coordinator of Research Hellenic Foundation for Research & Innovation (H.F.R.I.) on the criminal and criminological approach to fake news

#### *University of West Attica*

Postdoctoral research topic: "Hoaxes and dissemination of fake news – Research on the (in)security of online fake news and the economic and technical dimension of the phenomenon – Legal treatment and *de lege ferenda*" (in Greek)

[01/2009 – 01/2015] **Doctor of Criminal Law and Criminology (Honorary Fellow of the HERACLITUS II Scholarship Programme) Ph.D.)**

#### *National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Law School, Department of Penal Sciences*

Thesis grade: "EXCELLENT unanimously"

PhD thesis title: "Unauthorized access to electronic information systems (hacking) – Penal and criminological aspects – Evaluation of Greek penal legislation – Survey on jurists, IT scientists and hackers' sample" (in Greek)

[10/2007 – 10/2011]

### Bachelor in International and European Studies (B.A.)

#### *University of Piraeus*

- International and European Law
- Diplomacy and international relations
- Economics
- Pedagogical – educational methods

[10/2008 – 02/2010]

### Master's Degree in Criminology (with honours) (M.A.)

#### *National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Law School, Department of Penal Sciences*

- Digital Criminology
- Research methodology
- Criminological theories
- Research ethics

[11/2006 – 10/2008]

### Master's Degree in Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure (M.A.)

#### *National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Law School, Department of Penal Sciences*

- Criminal law
- Criminal Procedure
- Cybercrime
- Human rights
- Criminal policy
- Personal data

[02/2005 – 06/2005] **Erasmus Certificate**

*Université de Liège (Belgium), Faculty of Law and Criminology*

- Forensics and crime investigation
- Personal data
- Sociology and political science

[10/2001 – 11/2006] **Bachelor of Law (LL.B)**

*National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Law School*

- Criminal law
- Criminology
- Administrative law
- International and European law

## TRAINING & LIFELONG LEARNING

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[02/07/2005] **Training seminar on the topic: “Computer Crimes”**

*ERA Academy of European Law*

**Location:** Online

Online attendance of a training seminar organized by the Academy of European Law. Number of training hours completed by the participant: 3. A certification of completion was awarded.

[01-02/04/2025] **Training seminar on the topic: “The Role of Lawyers in Protecting and Promoting the Rule of Law and Mutual Trust”.**

*ERA Academy of European Law*

**Location:** Croatia / Zagreb

Attended a professional training seminar organized by the Academy of European Law (ERA). Successfully completed 10 hours of instruction.

[27/11/2004] **Training seminar on the topic: “Webinar: Representing foreign citizens in criminal procedures (Defence Lawyers Project)**

*ERA Academy of European Law*

**Location:** Online

Online attendance of a training seminar organized by the Academy of European Law. Number of training hours completed by the participant: 3. A certification of completion was awarded.

[07-08/11/2004] **Training seminar on the topic: “EU Gender Equality Law” | Organised in the framework of the Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values Programme**

*ERA Academy of European Law*

**Country:** France

Attended a training seminar organized by the Academy of European Law (ERA) in Paris 07-08 November 2024.

[10-11/10/2004] **Training seminar on the topic: “Current Reflections on EU Gender Equality Law”**

*ERA Academy of European Law*

**Country:** Portugal

Attended a training seminar organized by the Academy of European Law (ERA) in Lisbon 10-11 October 2024.

[21-22/09/2023] **Training seminar on the topic: “Post-Covid Challenges in Criminal Justice: Focus on internet researches for EU legal practitioners”**

**ERA Academy of European Law**

**Country:** Poland

Attended a training seminar organized by the Academy of European Law (ERA) in Cracow 21-22 September 2023.

[23/05/2023]

**Training seminar on the topic: "Technology transfer and management of property rights"**

**University of West Attica**

**Country:** Greece

Participation in a certified 2-hour training seminar organised by Advanced Quality Services Ltd, using the distance learning method, as part of the implementation of the "Quality Assurance Unit of the University of West Attica Act".

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**ACADEMIC TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE**

[04/2023 - onwards]

**Assistant Professor**

**PHILIPS UNIVERSITY**

**Country:** Cyprus

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Academic teaching of "**Business Law I**" (Course Code: BSM-112) in the Undergraduate Distance Learning Program | **Accounting and Finance**.
- Academic teaching of "**Business Law II**" (Course Code: BSM-122) in the Undergraduate Distance Learning Program | **Accounting and Finance**.
- Academic teaching of "**Company Law I** (Course Code ACF 215)" & "**Company Law II** (Course Code ACF 225)" in the Undergraduate Distance Learning Program | **Accounting and Finance**.

[03/2018 - onwards]

**Adjunct Lecturer | Academic teaching**

**University of West Attica**

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Independent teaching of the course "Health Law", Department of Business Administration (14/10/2024-14/02/2025, 10/2023-02/2024, 10/10/2022 – 17/02/2023).
- Independent teaching in the MSc program "New Technologies in Shipping and Transport" of the course "Maritime Law and Organizations", Department of Automation Engineering (10/2024-02/2025, 10/2023-02/2024, 2018-2022)
- Independent teaching in the Interdepartmental MSc Program "Artificial Intelligence and Computational Optics" of the course "Legal and Ethical Issues in Artificial Intelligence", Department of Computer and Informatics Engineering (teaching activity) - 13 weeks of teaching, with a weekly lecture duration of 3 hours (total: 39 hours) (03/2025 – 07/2025, 01/03/2024 – 07/07/2024, 01/03/2023-07/07/2023, 2022)
- Independent teaching of the course "Copyright and Personal Data", Department of Archives, Library Science & Information Systems, School of Administrative, Economics & Social Sciences (03/2025 -07/2025, 11/03/2024-26/07/2024, 01/03/2023-07/07/2023).
- Independent teaching of the course "Ethics in Healthcare", Department of Occupational Therapy (2018-2022).
- Independent teaching of the course "Sociology", Department of Occupational Therapy (2020-2022).
- Independent teaching of the course "Internet Research Methodology", Department of Industrial Design and Production Engineering (2018).
- Independent teaching of the course "Business and Company Law" in the MSc program "Accounting and Finance" (2017-2018)
- Lecture on "Medical Confidentiality and Personal Data" in the course "Quality of Care, Therapeutic Effectiveness, and Quality of Life", in the MSc program "Management and Administration of Health and Social Care Services", Department of Business Administration, University of West Attica (08/04/2024).
- Lectures in the MSc program "Leadership, Innovation and Value Policies in Health", Course: "Seminar, Issues of Research Ethics" – 5 hours (07/04/2023 – 30/06/2023).
- Lectures in the MSc program "Leadership, Innovation and Value Policies in Health", Course: "Forum of Current Health & Health Services" (2022).

[03/2017 – 07/2025]

### **Adjunct Lecturer | Academic teaching**

*HELLENIC OPEN UNIVERSITY (H.O.U.)*

**Country:** Greece

#### **Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Academic Advisor (Tutor – Member of the Collaborating Academic Personnel) & Coordinator of the Thematic Unit titled “Deviance and Violence in Sports Venues – ASK55” (March 4, 2025 – July 31, 2025), as part of the MA Programme “Sports Studies: Society, History, Anthropology”.
- Supervisor of Master's Dissertations in the context of the MA Programme “Criminological and Criminal Approaches to Corruption, Economic and Organized Crime” (April 2, 2025 – July 31, 2025).
- Academic Advisor (Tutor – Member of the Collaborating Academic Personnel). Course "Deviance and Violence in Sports Venues – ASK55" as part of the MA Programme "Sports Studies: Society, History, Anthropology"(01/10/2024-28/02/2025)
- Academic Advisor (Tutor – Member of the Collaborating Academic Personnel). Course “PED55 Criminal repression of Organized Crime: international, European and national dimensions” in the framework of the MA Programme “Criminological and Penal Law perspectives on Corruption, Economic and Organised Crime (PED)”, (2021, 01/03/2022 - 31/07/2022, 3/10/2022 - 28/02/2023, 04/03/2024-31/07/2024)
- Academic Advisor (Tutor – Member of the Collaborating Academic Personnel). Course "PED52 The Criminal Justice Response to Corruption and Economic Crime" in the framework of the MA Programme “Criminological and Penal Law perspectives on Corruption, Economic and Organised Crime (PED)” (05/10/2020 – 28/02/2021, 01/03/2021 - 31/07/2021, 04/10/2021 - 28/02/2022, 01/03/2023 -31/07/2023, 02/10/2023-29/02/2024)
- Supervision of postgraduate thesis in the framework of the MA Programme “Criminological and Penal Law perspectives on Corruption, Economic and Organised Crime (PED)” (2020-current)
- Academic Advisor (Tutor – Member of the Collaborating Academic Personnel). Course "DIT23 Tourism Law" within the framework of the Undergraduate Programme "Tourism Management (DIT)" (2019-2021).
- Academic Advisor (Tutor – Member of the Collaborating Academic Personnel). Course "Deviance and Violence in Sports Venues – ASK55" as part of the MA Programme "Sports Studies: Society, History, Anthropology" (2017-2019)
- Supervision of postgraduate theses within the framework of the MA Programme "Sports Studies: Sociology, History, Anthropology (ASK)" (2019-2020)

[10/2017 - 02/2019]

### **Adjunct Lecturer | Academic teaching**

*Department of Business Administration, Technological Educational Institute of Western Greece*

**Country:** Greece

#### **Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Independent teaching of the courses "Law of International Organizations" & "Principles of Law and Business Law" (2017-2019).
- Autonomous examination administration and assessment in the courses "Elements of European Law", "Principles of Law", "Business Law", "Law and Policy of Environmental Protection", "European Law", "Private Law", and "Law of International Organizations".

[10/2016 - 03/2018]

### **Adjunct Lecturer | Academic teaching**

*Technological Educational Institute of Piraeus*

**Country:** Greece

#### **Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Independent teaching of the course "Law in the Information Society", Department of Automation Engineering (2016-2018).
- Independent teaching of the course "Innovation and New Forms of Entrepreneurship", Department of Automation Engineering (2016-2017).
- Independent teaching in the MSc program "New Technologies in Shipping and Transport" of the course "Maritime Law and Organizations", Department of Automation Engineering (2016-2018).
- Independent teaching in the MSc program "Accounting and Finance" of the course "Business and Company Law" (2016-2017).

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[10/2008 - onwards]

### **Professor**

*Hellenic Police Officers' Academy*

**Country:** Greece

#### **Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Assistant Professor of "Substantive Criminal Law", Hellenic Police Officers' Academy (Academic Year 2024 -

2025).

- Independent teaching of the courses "Substantive Criminal Law" and "Procedural Criminal Law" (10/2023 - 06/2024).
- Independent teaching of the courses "Substantive Criminal Law" (2016-2018, 2021-02/2023) and "Procedural Criminal Law" (2021).
- Member of the Dissertation Assessment Committee for "The Criminal Organization from the Perspective of Substantive Criminal Law (Article 187 of the Greek Penal Code)" (04/2023).
- Member of the Dissertation Assessment Committee in Substantive Criminal Law, Criminal Procedure, Investigation, and Cybercrime (2018-2022) (serving as President of the Committee in 2020 and 2021).
- Professor of Criminology in the Academic years 2008-2009 and 2012-2013.
- Member of the Recurrent Committee of the Department of Professional Development of Senior Lieutenants, Hellenic Police School of Further Education and Training (2018-2019).

[10/2024 - 03/2025]

### **Lecturer in Academic Courses**

*School of National Security, Hellenic Police Academy*

**Country:** Greece

#### **Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Lecture Topic: "Dissemination of False News – Phenomenology, Legal Response, and Prevention" (21/10/2024).
- Lecture Topic: "Money Laundering from Illegal Activities" (27/02/2025).
- Lecture Topic: "Digital Criminology and New Digital Rights" (06/03/2025).
- As a "Lecturer-Professor" at the Hellenic Police Academy – National Security School, supervised, pre-reviewed, and evaluated research on the topic: "Money Laundering from Illegal Activities", selected for development by a student of the 28th training class (21/10/2024 - 11/04/2025).

[10/2016 – 06/2021]

### **Professor**

*Hellenic FIRE ACADEMY (School of Fire Brigade Officers)*

**Country:** Greece

#### **Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Academic teaching of the course "Criminology" (2016-2017)
- Academic teaching of the course "Criminal Law" (2017-2018)
- Academic teaching of the course "Introduction to Law" (2020-2021)
- Member of the Committee for the Preparation of Placement Examination Questions in 'Public Law' and 'Fire Service Law' (2020).

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[27/10/2025 – 29/10/2025] **Visiting professor**

*EASD-L' Escola d' Art Superior de Disseny de Valencia*

**Country:** Spain

#### **Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Lectures on AI Applications and Legal Challenges at EASD within the Erasmus+ Mobility Program. The activities focused on AI ethics and legal challenges, intellectual property issues in technology, innovative teaching methodologies, digital administrative practices within the European legal-technological framework, distance-learning tools, and research methodology. Provided legal and administrative consultation regarding international academic cooperation and explored opportunities for joint educational and research initiatives.

[26/02/2024 – 28/02/2024] **Visiting professor**

*ESAD- Escola Superior de Artes e Design*

**Country:** Portugal

#### **Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Lectures on AI Applications and Legal Challenges at ESAD - Escola Superior de Artes e Design (Portugal) within the Erasmus+ Mobility Program. Teaching focused on Intellectual Property Violations through the Use of Technology, exploring the legal and ethical dimensions of AI, copyright infringement, and regulatory challenges. A comparative legal approach was adopted, analyzing European and international frameworks addressing AI-driven IP violations and digital creativity.

[12/06/2023 – 16/06/2023] **Visiting professor**

*Biomedical Research Foundation of the Academy of Athens (BRFAA)*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Teaching in English on "International Cooperation on Regulating AI", BioMed-AI Summer School – "Biomedicine & Bioethics Supporting Responsible Innovation in the Era of Big Data & AI", Biomedical Research Foundation, Academy of Athens.

[20/03/2023 – 24/03/2023] **Visiting professor**

**UNIVERSITY OF WITWATERSRAND JOHANNESBURG (WITS)**

**Country:** South Africa

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Lectures on Personal Data Protection, Digital Criminology, and Technoethics in AI at the University of the Witwatersrand (South Africa). Teaching adopted a comparative and interdisciplinary approach, examining European and international legal frameworks on data protection, digital crime, and AI ethics. Focus was placed on contrasting EU regulations (such as the GDPR) with South African and global data protection laws, providing a holistic understanding of digital rights and AI governance.

[27/02/2023 – 02/03/2023] **Visiting professor**

**UNIVERSITY OF ZAGREB**

**Country:** Croatia

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Lectures and training sessions on digital administrative techniques, innovative teaching methods, and modern pedagogical approaches at the University of Zagreb (Croatia). Teaching focused on enhancing digital governance in academic institutions by exploring technological advancements and digital tools to optimize administrative structures and interactive learning environments. A comparative approach was adopted, emphasizing the harmonization of digital administrative frameworks across European higher education institutions in alignment with EU modernization initiatives.

[14/11/2022 – 18/11/2022] **Visiting professor**

**UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE, TIRANA**

**Country:** Albania

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Lectures on Technoethics and Personal Data Protection in Health Challenges at the University of Medicine, Tirana (Albania). Teaching focused on the ethical and legal dimensions of emerging technologies in healthcare, emphasizing European and international frameworks for personal data protection. A comparative approach was adopted, analyzing the implications of the EU GDPR for health data governance alongside regional and national legal frameworks.

[05/2022] **Visiting professor**

**FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF SANTA CATARINA**

**Country:** Brazil

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Lectures on the design and implementation of distance learning tools, as well as teaching and training activities in digital education, at the Federal University of Santa Catarina (Brazil). Teaching focused on structuring online learning curricula, exploring innovative methodologies for remote legal education, and analyzing comparative frameworks for distance learning across Europe and Latin America. The experience contributed to the advancement of online legal education by integrating European best practices with local academic contexts while addressing challenges in digital pedagogy for legal and governance studies.

[03/2022] **Visiting professor**

**Sami Shamoon COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING**

**Country:** Israel

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Lectures on Cybercrime and the Legal Provisions on Fake News at Sami Shamoon College of Engineering (Israel). Teaching was conducted during the Colloquium held on March 11, 2020, as well as within the course 'Information Technology, Human Beings, and Society.' The lectures explored the intersection of law, technology, and society, focusing on legal frameworks governing cybercrime and misinformation across different jurisdictions.

[11/2020]

### Visiting professor

*University of Nicosia*

Country: Cyprus

#### Main activities and responsibilities:

- Lectures on the legal and criminological dimensions of online disinformation and fake news. Teaching covered the criminalization of misinformation, comparative legal frameworks in Greece and Europe, and prevention strategies. Additionally, empirical research on public perceptions and legal gaps in the regulation of fake news was presented, offering insights into survey methodology and its application in digital criminology.

[01/2020]

### Visiting professor

*University of Hochschule der Medien (HdM), Stuttgart*

Country: Germany

#### Main activities and responsibilities:

- Lectures on cybercrime and the legal provisions on fake news at Hochschule der Medien (HdM), Stuttgart (Germany). Teaching emphasized a comparative legal approach, analyzing the similarities and differences between German and Greek legal frameworks while integrating the broader European legislative perspective. Focus was placed on jurisdictional divergences in addressing cybercrime and fake news regulation, highlighting the role of EU harmonization in shaping digital crime policies.

[05/2019]

### Visiting professor

*University of Ivan Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Tbilisi*

Country: Georgia

#### Main activities and responsibilities:

- Lectures on cybercrime and the legal provisions on fake news at the Faculty of Law, University of Ivan Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University (Georgia). Teaching covered both the criminal and criminological aspects of digital offenses, offering an interdisciplinary perspective that integrates legal, policy, and governance frameworks with contemporary technological challenges.
- Meetings with Academic Staff.

[02/2018]

### Visiting professor

*Azerbaijan Diplomatic Academy – ADA University, Baku*

Country: Azerbaijan

#### Main activities and responsibilities:

- Delivering lectures on cybercrime regulation under the Erasmus+ International Credit Mobility Program. Teaching focused on the Greek and European legal frameworks for cybercrime, enforcement mechanisms, and comparative legal approaches, while also presenting empirical research on hacker behavior and the effectiveness of existing legal provisions." (Total Teaching Hours: 8).
- Meetings with academic staff

[12/2015]

### Lecturer of academic courses

*Panteion University*

Country: Greece

#### Main activities and responsibilities:

- Lecture on the Topic of "Cybercrime" as part of the course "Introduction to Criminology I" at the Faculty of Sociology.

[10/2007 – 09/2008]

### **Tutor & Supervisor**

*National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Department of Law*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Graduates supervision
- Undergraduate teaching

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[09/2024 – 09/2027]

### **Lecturer – Author & Trainer**

*Bright Academy OE – Lifelong Learning Center / Lifelong Learning Center (KEDIVIM) of the University of Patras*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Authorship and Development of Educational Material, designed for distance learning, as part of the Lifelong Learning Center (KEDIVIM) program titled "Cyberbullying and Juvenile Cyber Delinquency: The Role of the School Community", with a total duration of 400 hours.

The educational material covers the following thematic modules:

Module 4: Introduction – The Internet, Cybercrime, and Criminal Law

Module 5: Juvenile Delinquency and Criminal Law

Module 8: Bullying and Cyberbullying: Terminological and Legal Dimensions – Legal Prevention

Module 14: Technoethics (TE)

Module 15: New Challenges: Artificial Intelligence in Cybercrime and Its Countermeasures

[01/2020 – 07/2023]

### **Professor of criminology**

*ICPS College / Lifelong Learning Center (KEDIVIM)*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Seminar lessons "Criminology, risk assessment" & "Psychology and liaison with the court" (23/06/2023).
- Teaching of the course "Criminology and risk assessment" within the framework of the postgraduate program "Forensics Psychology" in collaboration with the University of Central Lancashire (UK).
- Teaching of the course "Psychology and connection with the court" within the framework of the postgraduate program "Forensics Psychology" in collaboration with the University of Central Lancashire (UK).

[09/2016 – onwards]

### **Professor of criminal law**

*NOMIKI BIBLIOTHIKI*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Teaching of the course "General criminal law" - preparation of candidates for the placement examinations of the Law School of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

[10/2017 – 06/2021]

### **Professor delivering seminars on New Technology Law and Corporate Law**

*NOMIKI BIBLIOTHIKI*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Seminar on "Cybercrime and online security – criminal response and practical issues" (06/2021).
- Seminar on "The new European General Regulation 2016/679 on the protection of personal data and compliance obligations".
- Seminar on: "Data protection on the Internet after Law 4411/2016".
- Seminar on: "The new law 4481/2017 on intellectual property".
- Seminar on "Proposal for a Directive on Copyright in the Digital Single Market: 2016/0280 (COD)".
- Seminar on: Ways of resolving financial disputes (mediation procedures, etc.) The new law 4512/2018 on mediation".
- Seminar on: "Operation of a S.A. based on the new law of the société anonyme in accordance with the new law

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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[11/2022 – 04/2025]

**Scientific Coordinator of the European Program**

*Special Account for Research Grants (SARG) University of West Attica*

**Country:** Greece

**Project Title:** SCience outreach: The example of BIObanks in Europe (SCIBIOEU) Erasmus+ Axis KA2 "Partnerships for cooperation in Higher Education". Project Coordinator: Biomedical Research Foundation Academy of Athens

- Research project

[30/05/2023 – 31/10/2023]

**Specialized Research Scientist in a Research Program**

*BRFAA/ Biomedical Research Foundation Academy of Athens*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Research project "Beyond 1 Million Genomes" - Participation in the 2nd work package and development of reports related to Bioethics, Personal Data Protection and the European Legal Framework on genomics issues, as well as participation in partnership meetings.

Deliverables:

T.2.4. Data Access and Use of Governance Toolkit Framework

[10/2021 – 08/2022]

**Scientific Coordinator**

*University of West Attica*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Scientific coordinator of a research team for the implementation of the project "Provision of technical support for the design, implementation and commissioning of the national criminal court database and its interconnection with the corresponding European database in the framework of the Criminal Court Data Base (CCDB) project of the European Commission"

[09/2021 – 11/2021]

**Scientific Research Expert**

*University of Cyprus, Department of Law*

**Country:** Cyprus

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Scientific research expert on the Internet of Things and consumer rights (collaboration with Lecturer Dr. Michael Chatzipanagiotis).
- Literature review on the Internet of Things.

[11/2018 – 03/2022]

**Scientific Research Coordinator**

*University of West Attica*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Scientific coordinator of a research team for the implementation of a postdoctoral research project of Research Hellenic Foundation for Research & Innovation (H.F.R.I.) on the legal treatment of the spread of fake news on the internet.

[08/2020 – 11/2021]

**Scientific researcher – Expert**

*Scientific research on behalf of the Ministry of Justice*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Collaboration with Nikolaos Gaitenidis for the implementation of the project "Developing a Comprehensive Strategy Against Racism, Intolerance, and Hate Crime", in partnership with the Hellenic Parliament and the Center for Political Research of Panteion University, within the framework of the "Rights, Equality and Citizenship" (REC) 2014-2020 Program of the European Commission.
  - ✓ Research on combating racially motivated crimes at the European and international levels.
  - ✓ Development of a national action plan and an informational brochure to address racially motivated crimes.
  - ✓ Workshop lectures on tackling racially motivated crimes.

[10/2018 – 12/2021]

**Member of the Research Ethics and Ethics Committee**

*Hellenic Open University (HOU)*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Overview of research proposals and activities taking place at HOU regarding compliance with rules of ethics and ethics in research

[02/2019 – 12/2019]

**Researcher**

*Eugenides Foundation*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

Participation in the European research project Number 601186 – EPP – 1 – 2018 – I – NL – EPPKA2 – SSA – B/ Project Title “Future Proof Skills for the maritime sector” on the issues of the European legal framework for higher education.

[06/2015 – 03/2019]

**Scientific Research Manager**

*Laboratory of Social Informatics, TEI of Western Greece*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Scientific research officer on digital crime, data protection and social informatics

[05/2015 – 11/2015]

**Researcher**

*Athens University of Economics and Business (AUEB)*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Researcher in the project "Highlighting and activating the role of health centers in local communities
- Writing reports and deliverables regarding personal health data, protection of telemedicine software applications, etc.

[02/2012 – 01/2015]

**Scientific Research Manager**

*National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (NKUA)*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- PhD researcher – Head of the research team of the Laboratory of Criminal and Criminological Research of the Law Department of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens and the Technological Educational Institute of Western Greece on the subject of unauthorized access to electronic data and the legal treatment of hackers, implementing a scholarship of the HERACLITUS II program as an honors scholar.

[09/2005 – 01/2016]

**Scientific Research Manager**

*Laboratory of Criminal and Criminological Research, Department of Law, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Head of scientific research on issues of criminological interest (right to euthanasia, group violence and delinquency in schools, etc.)
- Creator and editor-in-chief of an electronic scientific journal of the laboratory [www.theartofcrime.gr](http://www.theartofcrime.gr)

[04/2015]

**Researcher – Expert***Participation in a committee of the Ministry of Interior and Administrative Reconstruction*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Participation in the established eleven-member committee of the Greek Ministry of Interior and Administrative Reconstruction for the study, elaboration and submission of proposals for the police's contribution to dealing with violence in schools

[01/2014 – 10/2014]

**Expert on European anti-corruption policies***TRANSPARENCY INTERNATIONAL - GREECE*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Legal Consulting
- Representation before Greek and European authorities
- Conducting an evaluation survey on the transparency of the Greek Presidency of the European Council in the first half of 2014

[02/2013]

**Researcher – Expert***Scientific Research for the Ministry of Development, Competitiveness, Infrastructure, Transport & Networks*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Participation in the working group for the transposition of Directive 2011/83/EU on consumer rights in digital markets.

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**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

[01/03/2023 – 31/12/2023]

**Associate of KE.TE.K.N.Y. – Supervisor in the management of public contracts***Hellenic DRG Institute (KE.TE.K.N.Y.)*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Reports on issues related to compliance with national and Community legislation and especially that related to public procurement issues.
- Participation in meetings to explain the content of tender documents and direct awards in detail (applicable law, right to participate, publicity rules, technical and financial tender procedure, participation guarantees, criteria for selecting candidates, participation documents, grounds for exclusion, candidate protection rights / objections or appeals)
- Drafting of all contracts to be signed under the law
- Publication of tenders, invitations, contracts, decisions and all necessary documents in ESIDIS and support for the administration in uploading documents to KIMDIS (creation of applications, invitations, decisions, contracts, warrants, etc.)
- Monitoring of contracts to be signed under the operation until their completion
- Responsible for submitting forms to the MIS regarding the legality checks of tenders, the legality check of contracts and expenses

[11/2010 – onwards]

**Supreme Court Lawyer – Financial advisor – Managing partner***SPYROPOULOS LAW FIRM*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Corporate Law: Providing legal services to commercial companies and supporting entrepreneurship through both legal assistance and consulting on economic, technical, and corporate governance matters.
- Civil Law: Managing numerous court cases and providing legal counsel on matters including, but not limited to,

contract law, victim compensation, and family law.

- Specialization in criminal/penal Law and protection of human rights (White Collar Crimes, Drug – related crimes Tax Crimes, Environmental crimes, Illicit trade in antiquities, Money Laundering, Protection of human rights before European and International Courts etc.)
- Public-Administrative Law: Representation of clients in numerous cases before the administrative courts, the Council of State and administrative authorities and have many years of experience in advising on cases involving: [ Disciplinary Law (police officers, military, civil servants, etc.) Administrative fines, Administrative penalties, Social security issues, Illegal administrative acts, Urban planning infringes etc.]
- Law of New Technologies: Executive with experience and expertise in the law of new technologies (Personal data protection, Blockchain, Artificial intelligence and machine learning, Electronic Governance, Information System Security, Databases, E-commerce, GDPR compliance etc.)

[31/12/2020 – onwards]

**Legal Advisor | Remunerated mandate Lawyer**

*"University of West Attica"*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Providing oral and written legal advice, drafting expert opinions, and conducting procedural acts and judicial actions.

[02/2011 – 07/2011]

**Legal advisor**

*Minister of Education, Lifelong Learning and Religious Affairs*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Counseling on Public Administration Practices and the Development of Educational Legislation.
- Drafting Ministerial Resolutions and Legislative Texts.
- Representing the Minister at Conferences and Committees.
- Formulating Health Education Policies to Combat Violence in Schools.

[12/2007 – 01/2015]

**Legal Advisor – Head of Legal Department**

*GREEK CONSUMER INSTITUTE (IN.KA.)*

**Country:** Greece

**Main activities and responsibilities:**

- Handling of Complaints.
- Head of the Consumer Legal Aid Centre.
- Representative of IN.KA. before Ministries, Authorities, and the Media.
- Participation in Legislative Working Groups.
- Legal Representation before Courts.

[01/2010 – 11/2010]

**Lawyer**

*KRYSTALLIDIS & ASSOCIATES LAW FIRM*

**Country:** Greece

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

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Mother language

Greek

Foreign languages

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
	Certificate of Proficiency in English – University of Michigan (C2)				
French	C1	C1	C1	C1	C1
	DALF C1				

Levels: A1/2: Basic user - B1/2: Independent user - C1/2 Proficient user  
Common European Framework of Reference for Languages

## COMMUNICATION AND INTERPERSONAL SKILLS

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- ... as a representative of the students of the MSc in Criminal Sciences, Law Department of the University of Athens (2006-2008).

## ORGANIZATIONAL SKILLS

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### Managerial and organizational skills from experience (in addition to the above):

- ... as a Partner of SPYROPOULOS LAW FIRM.
- ... as Scientific Coordinator of the Working Group on Digital Forensics and Cybercrime of the Center for the Study of Crime (DiCriC Lab).
- ...as a member of the organizing committee of 800 NGOs for the revision of the Constitution (2005-2007), representing the European Law Students' Association – Athens in the capacity of Vice President of Academic Activities and Deputy President.

## DIGITAL SKILLS

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- Excellent use of Microsoft Office™ tools
- Excellent use of the internet

Very good knowledge of creativity on the internet as creator and editor-in-chief (2005-2016) of the electronic journal of the Centre for Penal and Criminological Research, Faculty of Law, University of Athens "theartofcrime.gr"

## OTHER SKILLS

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- Military service in Greek Airforce Security Administration (2009) – Diploma of attendance the military school of Airforce Security Administration (2009)
- Musician – ability to play pieces of music on more than 20 musical instruments

## DRIVING LICENSE

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- Category B (car driving license)
- Category A (unlimited cc engine driver's license)

## MONOGRAPHS /

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### Editor (or Co-editor) of edited academic volumes

[2025] Spyropoulos, F., Lempesi, M., & Androulaki, E. (Eds.). (2025). *Crime and Artificial Intelligence: Proceedings of the International Scientific Conference #crAlme*. Papazisis Publications. (ISBN 978-960-02-4509-7) (in Greek)

[2022] Spyropoulos, F. *Disinformation and fake news on the internet – Criminal and criminological approach – Results of research on the development of anti-crime policy and relevant regulatory framework*, NOMIKI BIBLIOTHIKI publications, preface (introductory text) by Professor Emeritus Ioannis Panousis (in Greek)

[2020] Spyropoulos, F., Tsouramanis, Chr., Lebesi, M., Chalkia, A. & Chionis, D. (Eds.). *Criminology: A Prominent Light-Bearer? Honorary Volume in Honour of Professor Emeritus Giannis Panousis*. Athens: I. Sideris Publications, ISBN 978-960-08-0852-0. (in Greek)

[2016] Spyropoulos, F. *Anauthorized access to electronic information systems (hacking), Penal and criminological aspects – Evaluation of Greek penal legislation – Survey on jourists, IT scientists and hackers' sample*, Ant. N. Sakkoulas publications, preface (introductory text) by Professor Emeritus L. Kotsalis & Professor Emeritus N. Courakis (in Greek)

[2011] Spyropoulos, F. *Bullying at school-Theoretical approach and preventive policies*, Ant. N. Sakkoulas publications, 2011 (in Greek)

[2008] Spyropoulos, Fotios (Ed.). *The Prosecution of Crimes Against Humanity: Reflections on the Case of Saddam Hussein*. Athens: Ant. N. Sakkoulas Publishers. ISBN: 978-960-15-2043-8. (in Greek)

## CONFERENCES LECTURES (indicatively)

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[03-06/09/2025] Oral presentations in English titled: 1. "Reflections on Regulating Artificial Intelligence Through Data Protection Principles: Strengthening and Guiding International Collaboration with Criminological Insights" 2. "The Intersection of Tourism and Wildlife Crime: A Criminological Perspective", 3. "The UN Cybercrime Convention: Are States Ready to Tackle Implementation Challenges?" & 4. "Fake Reviews and Organized Crime: Exploring Cutting-Edge Criminological Insights in Tourism", delivered at "Logos of Crime & Punishment", the 25th Annual Congress of the European Society of Criminology (ESC), held in Athens, Greece.

[03/09/2025] Panel Speaker, "The institutionalization of the relationship between police and academia in Europe", European Society of Criminology (ESC) – Policing Working Group, ESC Pre-Conference Meeting, 25th Annual Congress of the European Society of Criminology (ESC), held in Athens, Greece.

[17-19/01/2025] Keynote Speech in English titled "Technoethics: From Hackers' Ethics to a Re-definition in a Hybrid Criminal World", delivered at the 1st Artificial Intelligence Summit, organized within the framework of the 9th International Conference on Mathematical Models & Computational Techniques in Science & Engineering, Athens, Greece.

[07/12/2024] Presentation titled "The Dissemination of Fake News in Greek Criminal Law", delivered at the conference "Trust in Online Social Networks", organized by the CoNSeRT Research Laboratory of the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering, University of West Attica, at the Main Auditorium of the Ancient Elaionas Campus.

[26/09/2024] Keynote Speech in English titled "Human Rights in the Digital Realm: Shaping Our Digital Future", delivered at the European Conference "Protecting Human Rights in the Digital Age and in Social Media", co-organized by the Office of the Commissioner for Administration and the Protection of Human Rights (Cyprus Ombudsman), the Association of Mediterranean Ombudsmen (AOM), and the Venice Commission of the Council of Europe, in Paphos, Cyprus.

[05/07/2024] Presentation in English titled "Integrity Counsel and Mediation: Boundaries and Challenges", delivered within the framework of the 1st Working Meeting of the project "101101784 — 2022-IT-FRED2" Fraud Repression through Education<sup>2</sup>, "Synergies of Education and AFCOS Against Fraud", University of West Attica, Athens.

[27/05/2024] Academic Lecture at the Department of Sociology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, titled "Artificial Intelligence and Crime: Moving Towards a 'Hybrid' Criminological World", delivered within the framework of the course "Sociology of Deviance and Surveillance Technologies", taught by Dr. Ioanna Tsiganou, Senior Researcher (Grade A) at the National Centre for Social Research and Visiting Professor at the Department of Sociology, NKUA.

[14-17/05/2024] Oral and Poster Presentation in English for the SCIBIOEU program, titled O14B & P4: "Biobanking Education: The Project 'Science Outreach: The Example of Biobanks in Europe' and Its Progression So Far", presented within the framework of the "Europe Biobank Week 2024" Conference, Hofburg, Vienna, Austria.

[22/04/2024] Coordination of the Keynote Speech by Prof. Dr. Marie-Helen (Maria) Maras (Professor, Department of Security, Fire and Emergency Management, City University of New York - John Jay College of Criminal Justice | Director, Center for Cybercrime Studies, John Jay CUNY, USA), titled "AI, Crime and Criminal Justice: Past, Present and Future". Delivered within the framework of the International Scientific Conference on Crime and Artificial Intelligence #crAIme, co-organized by the University of West Attica, City University of New York (USA), and the Center for the Study of Crime, at the "Yiannis H. Kyriopoulos" Conference Center, School of Public Health, Athens.

[11/03/2024] Presentation titled "School Bullying – The 'first step' in delinquency", in the context of a webinar entitled "Violence and School Bullying", organized by Governor of Central Greece, March 2024.

[09/03/2024] Keynote Speech titled "The limits of journalistic research by the case law of the European Court of Human Rights". Crime and the media, Criminology and Forensic sciences Center (Cyprus), Dikastikoreportaz.gr, UCLAN University & the Centre for the Study of Crime, Nicosia, Cyprus, March 2024.

[29/11/2023] Academic Lecture titled "Artificial Intelligence – Ethical challenges", Rhodes Metropolitan College Campus, Rhodes, November 2023.

[28/11/2023] Keynote Speech titled "Greek Law 5029/2023 ["We live together in harmony, we break the silence": Regulations for the prevention and treatment of violence and bullying in schools] - "Criminological, terminological and teleological critical remarks". Juvenile violence and delinquency, George and Asimina Perdikari Foundation for Culture, Rhodes, November 2023.

[20- 22/10/2023] Oral presentation titled "Reflections on the treatment of victims before the International Criminal Court", delivered at Nafplion International Law Conference, 18th Period, Parliament of Nafplion, October 2023.

[06- 09/09/2023] Oral presentations in English titled "Digital Criminology, Technoethics, and AI" and "Aspects of Artificial Intelligence on E-Justice and Personal Data Limitations", delivered at "The Renaissance of European Criminology," the 23rd Annual Congress of the European Society of Criminology (ESC), held in Florence, Italy, September 2023.

[21/6/2023] Oral presentation titled "Fake news on the internet and criminal liability", delivered at The Law of Modern Digital Economy, conference of the Association of Greek Freelance Lawyers, Athens, June 2023.

[06-07/3/2023] Keynote Speech in English titled "Technoethics, AI and Criminal Law". UN panel discussion entitled: 'Striving to

remain one step ahead: thinking beyond traditional prevention approaches', UN Ad Hoc Committee to Elaborate a Comprehensive International Convention on Countering the Use of Information and Communications Technologies for Criminal Purposes, Fourth Intersessional Consultation, Vienna, March 2023.

[17-18/2/2023] Oral presentation titled "Digital Criminology and Theories of Cybercrime", delivered at the "Young Lawyers and Contemporary Issues in Criminal Law" conference, organized by the Institute of European & International Criminal Law, Athens, February 2023.

[10/7/2022] Oral presentation titled "Internet and the Criminal Code: A Critical Review of the Amendments to the Greek Criminal Code in the Last Six Years", delivered at the 22nd Conference on Criminal Law and Criminal Defence, organized by the Bar Association for Criminal Law and Criminal Defence & the Bar Association of Patras, Patras, July 2022.

[07/6/2022] Participation in a panel discussion on "Data Privacy and Data Security: How to Balance in an AI – driven world". 12th InfoCom Security Conference, an event on information security and data protection, Athens, June 2022.

[27/06/2022] Oral presentation titled "Integrity Advisor and Mediation: Limits and Challenges", delivered at the Workshop of the National Transparency Authority, in collaboration with the University of West Attica, on "Legal Framework, Data, Challenges & Prospects", Egaleo, June 2022.

[05/2021] Oral presentation and intervention on "Online Fake News and Disinformation Criminal Treatment – Survey Outcome in Greece: Quantitative and Qualitative Analysis" and "Criminal and Criminological Treatment of Hoaxes – De Lege Ferenda Challenges Through an Interdisciplinary Approach Based on the Survey Outcome of the Project", delivered during the discussion panel "Misinformation and Fake News in a Contemporary Society in Motion – Interdisciplinary Research Approach and Suggestions", at the University of West Attica (Greece). Presented within the framework of the conference "Contemporary Societies in Motion: Pioneering Qualitative Research Methods in the Study of Deviance and Social Control", co-organized by the Centre for the Study of Crime, the European Society of Criminology, the National Centre for Social Research, and the National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, online, May 2021.

[04/2021] "Modern aspects of cybercrime and cybersecurity – the example of fake news". Thematic Workshop "Cyber security: Protecting your On-Line Business", EU programme "DIFME: Digital Internationalisation and Financial Literacy Skills for Micro-Entrepreneurs, University of West Attica, Egaleo, April 2021.

[01/2021] "Preventing and combating fake news: research findings and innovative challenges". The next step: founding and operating start-ups, Hellenic Foundation for Research & Innovation, online, January 2021.

[11/2020] "Online fake news and disinformation criminal and criminological treatment – Survey outcomes in Greece" (with Evangelia Androulaki and Dr Vasilios Karagiannopoulos). International conference "THE CRIMINOLOGY CONSORTIUM - FIRST ANNUAL MEETING", online, November 2020.

[04/2019] "The spread of fake news on the internet. Prevention and its challenges". Technological developments and justice, in cooperation with the Prosecutor's Office of the Greek Supreme Court, April 2019.

[05/2017] "Evaluation of Greek criminal provisions on hacking (2013 survey data) – cybercrime laws in Greece". International Scientific Conference NETTIES 2017, ARISTOTELIAN THINKING IMPACT, Conference Center A.E.I. Piraeus, May 2017.

[03/2017] "Developments in digital law". Digital Policies for Human Capital and Development, workshop, GREEK FORUM FOR THE DIGITAL FUTURE, Athens, March 2017.

[02/2017] "Criminal law of information technology in Greece under Law 4411/2016". Criminal & Criminological Challenges – Controversy or Dialogue?, 2nd Pancypriot Conference on Criminal Law and Criminology, Nicosia, Cyprus, February 2017.

[10/2016] "Digital and cyber bullying and the misuse of electronic information as the bullying of the future - knowledge and prevention". Children: witnessing the crime, CONSTANTEION CRIMINOLOGY AND FORENSIC SCIENCES CENTER, Nicosia, Cyprus, October 2016.

[06/2016] "Legislation for online security. Challenge or self-fulfilling prophecy?".5th International Interdisciplinary Conference e-life, HELLENIC ASSOCIATION FOR THE STUDY OF INTERNET ADDICTION DISORDER, Kazarma lake resort, June 2016.

[04/2016] "Minors as consumers on the internet – rights and concerns" (with Evangelia Androulaki, Irene Sakellaris & Dimitra Karaouli). 4th "Ariadne" workshop on the proper use of technology by young people, Department of Adolescent Health, second Pediatric Clinic of the University of Athens, "P. & A. Kyriakou" Children's Hospital, Patras, April 2016.

[04/2015] "Hackers and criminal law – the "great bet". Crisis, crime and system of criminal repression, conference in honor of Professor Emeritus Nestor Courakis, Laboratory of Criminal and Criminological Research - Department of Criminal Sciences, Law School of NKUA - Department of Social Administration and Political Science, Democritus University of Thrace - Department of Psychology, University of Crete - Department of Criminology, Department of Sociology, Panteion University - Department of Law University of Nicosia & EPANODOS, Athens, April 2015.

[03/2015] "Methodology of web research". Mental Health, Technology and Telematics Applications, 4th Panhellenic Interdisciplinary Conference, Athens, March 2015.

[06/2014] "The phenomenon of bullying at school and in the online environment. A look at Europe". 1st Conference of the European Anti-bullying Network, Athens, June 2014.

[09/2013] "Greek penal provisions on hacking? Are they needed and/or efficient in 2013? The opinion of hackers and jurists". 13th Annual Conference, European Society of Criminology, Budapest, Hungary, September 2013.

[05/2013] "The internet as 'launderette': Electronic money laundering" (with Evangelia Androulaki). Information – communication technologies and support, monitoring and treatment of mental patients, 3rd Panhellenic Interdisciplinary Conference, "Mental health and telematics applications", Athens, May 2013.

## HONOURS AND AWARDS

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[2019] Honorary distinction - award from the European Law Students' Association (ELSA) – Athens

[2006] Silver Diploma at the World Choral Games (Xiamen, China)

[2006] Honorary distinction from the Greek community of Sydney, Australia

[2004] Bronze medal of the municipality of Heraklion, Attica for contribution to culture

[2000] Member of the European Youth Parliament representing Greece in Strasbourg, France

## PARTICIPATION IN COMMITTEES AND SCIENTIFIC BODIES

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[03/09/2025 – onwards]	Liaison, Policing Working Group – European Society of Criminology (ESC)   Representative for Greece and Cyprus in the <a href="#">Policing Working Group of the ESC</a> .
[01/2022 – 12/2024]	Participation as a representative of the Center for the Study of Crime (Κέντρο Μελέτης του Εγκλήματος) in the work of the UN Committee "Ad Hoc Committee to Elaborate a Comprehensive International Convention on Countering the Use of Information and Communications Technologies for Criminal Purposes".
[11/2022 – onwards]	Head of the research laboratory of the Centre for the Study of Crime (Κέντρο Μελέτης του Εγκλήματος), "DIGITAL CRIMINOLOGY & CYBER CRIME LAB" supervising as scientific coordinator research activities of three multi-member research teams on digital criminology and cybercrime.
[09/2013 – 09/2016]	Deputy Member of the Al. Member of EUROPEAN CONSULTATIVE CONSUMERS GROUP (ECCG) of EUROPEAN COMMISSION as representative of Greece (selected by the European Commission)
[01/2013 – 10/2013]	Participation in the working group of the Greek Ministry of Development for the adoption of a joint ministerial decision Ζ1-891/2013 (Government Gazette B' 2144), which transposes Directive 2011/83/EU on Consumer Rights into national law
[11/2006 – onwards]	Member of the Athens Bar Association
[10/2011 – onwards]	Member of the Economic Chamber of Greece (ECE))
[04/2015 – onwards]	Member of the Association of Greek Criminologists
[09/2010 – onwards]	Member of the European Society of Criminology
[10/2018 – onwards]	Member of the Association of Criminal Lawyers and Combat Lawyers
[12/2014 – onwards]	Founding member, member & Scientific Director of Academic Initiatives and Development of the Centre for the Study of Crime (Κέντρο Μελέτης του Εγκλήματος).

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## REFERENCES

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