## HELLENIC REPUBLIC GREEK NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

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## Members designated by the General Confederation of Labour of Greece (GSEE)



## **IOANNIS PANAGOPOULOS, regular member**

Yannis Panagopoulos is President of the Greek General Confederation of Labour, GSEE since 2006. Since 1998 he has served in key functions in the Confederation including that of Press and Organisation.

Panagopoulos started his work life in 1974 at the National Bank of Greece. His lifelong trade union involvement of over 30 years, started with the National Bank Employees' Trade Union (SYETE) and the Greek Federation of Bank Employee Unions (OTOE). He is currently a member of the ETUC Steering committee and the General Council of the ITUC.

He sits on the Board of Directors of the National Bank of Greece as Worker Representative and has formerly represented GSEE at the Economic & Social Council of Greece (OKE). In October 2015 he was re-nominated as a member of the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC).

His life and work in the trade union movement has been driven by the conviction that in a democratic society of justice, equality and solidarity the right to work is fundamental while high unemployment and discrimination are unacceptable.

Since 2010 when the crisis in Greece started, he has been at the forefront of the workers struggle against the austerity regime imposed on Greece and the attack on workers income and rights that are severely affected as a result of the IMF\_EU\_ECB memoranda.

# ELLIE VARCHALAMA, alternate member, 2<sup>nd</sup> GNCHR Vice-President

Elected Second Vice President of the Commission and Chair of the 2nd Sub Committee for Social, Financial and Cultural Rights (March 2012-2015, May 2015date). Attorney at Law, graduate from the Law Faculty of Kapodistrian University of Athens with a Master's Degree (LL.M.) in Labor Law from the same University.

Since 1998 she is a scientific collaborator and since 2005 Legal Advisor of Greek General Confederation of Labour (GSEE), which she represents legally and technically in collective bodies and committees, on a national, European and international level. Member of the Board of Directors (2011 to date) appointed by GSEE of the Hellenic Organization for Mediation and Arbitration (OMED) and Chair of the Education Committee of the Organization (2014 to date). She has participated as a rapporteur on labour and social security law issues in conferences, meetings and events, as well as an educator at adult educations seminars on these issues. She has important research experience and writing activity on issues of individual and collective labor law, as well as on other human rights issues such as equality and discrimination, protection of minors, protection of personal data, human rights education. She is a

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member of Greek, European and international legal and other scientific organizations, as well as civil society organizations. She speaks Greek (mother language), English and French.

## Members designated by the Supreme Administration of the Civil Servants' Unions (ADEDY)



## ANTONIS KARAVAS, regular member

Born in Athens in 1966. He works as a doctor in hospital G. Gennimatas. He is a member of the general council of ADEDY (Civil Servants' Confederation).

ELENI TZIOTA, alternate member

## Members designated by Amnesty International Greek Section



#### KATERINA KALOGERA, regular member

Katerina M. Kalogera was born and raised in Greece, in Chios a Greek island up in North Aegean. She is graduate of Ohio State University in Finance and also graduate of New York University in Filmmaking & Theater (writing and Directing).

She has also studies in more alternative forms of theater, as is Drama therapy, Theater of the Oppressed, Street Theater, as well as English Literature. She has worked in many independent film projects in USA as an assistant director, but also in TV channels here in Greece and documentaries as a director. Lately she works, as freelancer, in advertisement.

She has been voluntarily working on human rights sector for more than 25 years, mostly as a member of

Amnesty International. Since 2007 she has served in the Board of the organization as Secretary General, Treasurer and for the last 3 years as the Chair.

She has also worked as a researcher and as educator for theatrical play, in the Center for street children "Stegi pediou ke oikogenias" (institute for Children and Families) which was run by Ms. Lemou.

She is one of the founders of the street theater group "Street Voyagers" and the "Activist group of Theater of the Oppressed Greece".

She speaks Greek, English, Italian and Spanish. She also runs her own small production company "CINTHEADD".



## FOIVOS IATRELLIS, alternate member

Foivos Iatrellis is honorary Legal Adviser to the State and member of the Amnesty International-Greece. He studied at the Law School of the National Kapodistrian University of Athens. He worked in Athens as a lawyer for a few years and

afterwards he became, after examinations, a member of the Legal Council to the State. In such capacity he represented the Greek State before the Greek Courts in trials of various objects, he delivered legal opinions on questions and problems of the Greek Administration, either individually or as a member of collective consultative bodies, he participated in state committees and he prepared draft legislative texts and state contracts. In general he has worked on a wide range of subjects, particularly environmental and transportation law issues, state property, as well as international financial transactions.

## Members designated by the Hellenic League for Human Rights



## MICHAEL TSAPOGAS, regular member

Michael Tsapogas was born in Athens (1963), obtained a Law Degree from the University of Athens (1985) and a Doctorate in Law from the University of Munich (1991). He is attorney at law, member of the Piraeus Bar Association

(1987), the Hellenic League for Human Rights (1993, board member 2002-2008) and the Association of Greek Constitutionalists (1994).

He served as Researcher at the Institute of Hellenic Constitutional History (1993-96) and as Guest Researcher at the Max-Planck-Institut für Europäische Rechtsgeschichte in Frankfurt (1996-98). Since

1998 he works as a Senior Investigator at the Office of the Greek Ombudsman.

Publications in constitutional law, human rights, legal history, greek and comparative constitutional history. Among others: *«Staatsrationalisierung und Verfassungsbewegung in Griechenland 1832-1843»*, Munich 1992; *«Tα δικαιώματα στην Ελλάδα από το τέλος του εμφυλίου ως το τέλος της μεταπολίτευσης»* (co-editor with D. Christopoulos), Athens 2004; *«Blasphemy and justice in a Greek Orthodox context»*, in: Council of Europe, *«Tackling blasphemy, insult and hatred in a democratic society»*, Strasbourg 2008.



## LYDIA-MARIA BOLANI, alternate member

Lydia-Maria Bolani is a member of the Athens Bar Association. She studied law at the University of Athens (LLB in 2002 and LLM in International Studies in 2004) and at the University of Oxford focusing on Public International Law (Magister Juris in 2005 and Master of Philosophy in Law in 2007) as Academy of Athens

scholar. She has worked for the Greek National Commission for Human Rights and the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. As of November 2015 she works as Senior Investigator at the Human Rights Department of the Greek Ombudsman.

## Members designated by the Marangopoulos Foundation for Human Rights

#### **GEORGIOS STAVROPOULOS, regular member, GNCHR President**

President of the Greek National Commission for Human Rights and Chair of the GNCHR Sub-Commission for Civil and Political Rights. He was elected by the plenary session of the National Commission on June 21st 2015 for the period 2015-2018. Member of the National Commission designated by decision of the President of

the Marangopoulos Foundation for Human Rights, on whose Board he has previously served. He is already President of the Legal Committee of the Foundation. He teaches judiciary independence, ethics and History of Justice at the National Judges School. He has presided over and taken part as a Rapporteur in educational seminars of the above mentioned National School. He studied at the Law School of the University of Athens and completed his postgraduate studies in France on public law and social security issues and in Luxembourg on competitive law issues. He is an Honorary Vice President of the Hellenic Council of State (Supreme Administrative Court of Greece). He served on the Supreme Administrative Court of Greece for forty years on all the levels of the judicial hierarchy, up to the degree of Vice President of the Hellenic Council of State, position which he retained for twelve years (1999-2011). He presided over courts which are provided for by the Constitution (Supreme Special Court for Mistrial Cases,

Special Court for Salary Issues). He was also Head of the Regular Administrative Courts review and a member of the disciplinary Council for University Professors. He was repeatedly elected President of the Hellenic Council of State's Judges Union as well as of the Association of Greek Judges and Public Prosecutors for the Democracy and the Liberties, of which he was a founding member. He served as an ad hoc judge at the European Court of Human Rights. He was a member of the Board of Directors of the International Association of Judges (U.I.M.) as well as the European Association of Judges M.E.D.E.L. He has written many studies and articles on human rights issues, judiciary independence, social security law etc. He has presided over and taken part as a speaker at several conferences and other scientific events and meetings in Greece and abroad. He served as an extra parliamentary Minister of State in the transitionary collaborative government of Loukas Papademos (11.11.2011 until 17.05.2012). He was a fundamental author and Rapporteur of law 4057/2012 under which the combating against corruption was strived for, with the enforcement of their new disciplinary law.



## ALICE YOTOPOULOU-MARANGOPOULOU, alternate member

Alice Yotopoulou-Marangopoulou is Emerita Professor of Criminology and former Rector of the Panteion University of Athens (1979-1980 and 1983-1984) (first woman Dean), Lawyer at the Supreme Court and the Council of State as well as Vice-President of the Athens Bar Association. Since 1974 she has been President of the Greek League

for Women's Rights (since 2004 Honorary President). Furthermore, since 1978 she has been President of the Marangopoulos Foundation for Human Rights (MFHR), while at the same time she has served as President of the Hellenic Society of Criminology (since 2010 Honorary President). Since 1989 and until 1996 she has been President of the International Alliance of Women (since 1997 Honorary President). It should be noted that Alice Yotopoulou-Marangopoulou was a member of the Commission that achieved the reforms of the Hellenic legislation (Family Law, decriminalisation of abortion, etc.) on the basis of gender equality. In 2001, on her proposal, the Greek Constitution introduced substantive (instead of formal) equality and recognised affirmative action measures for its achievement (Art. 116 § 2). From January 2000 to October 2006 she has served as President of the National Commission of the Hellenic Republic for Human Rights.

Besides Greek, Alice Yotopoulou-Marangopoulou speaks and writes French, English, Italian and German. She has been intensely involved in activities in the field of Criminology, Human Rights, and especially Women's Rights (more details can be found on the MFHR website: www.mfhr.gr). She has authored and edited numerous books and essays on criminology and criminal law issues (in Greek, French and English). Among other distinctions, she has received the decoration of the "Grand Commandeur of the Order of the Phoenix" by the President of the Hellenic Republic, the 2006 National Distinction of the Academy of Athens and the 1992 Tocqueville Award of the *Association Internationale des Criminologues de Langue Française*. Additionally, she has been awarded by the Ministry of Justice and Public Order of Cyprus and by the Hellenic Parliament Foundation for Parliamentarism and

Democracy (2010). She was recently awarded by the Hellenic Parliament for her significant contribution to the promotion, protection and defence of Human Rights, on the occasion of the International Women's Day (March 2015), and by the National Commission for Human Rights for her contribution to the struggle for Human Rights during an event held on 21 December 2015.

## Members designated by the Greek Council for Refugees

# ANGELIKI ARGYROPOULOU CHRYSSOCHOIDOU, regular member, 1<sup>st</sup> GNCHR Vice-President

Retired attorney at law. Graduate of Athens University Law School, MA in International Financial transactions Boston University. Member of the Greek National Commission for Human Rights since 2002 nominated by the Greek Council for Refugees. First Vice President of the Commission and Chair of the 3rd Sub Committee on Rights of Aliens and Immigrants since 2003. Member of the Board of the Greek Council for Refugees since 2000 and President of the Governing Board from April 2009 until November 2015. Head of the Legal Unit of the Greek Council for Refugees from 1994 until 1996. Lawyer in the International Contracts Division of

the Public Power Cooperation from 1988 until 1993. Lawyer for the Chase Manhattan Bank from 1972 until 1976. Senior Associate at the Thanos Christopoulos Legal Firm from 1962 until 1976.



#### **IOANNIS PAPAGEORGIOU, alternate member**

Ioannis Papageorgiou is assistant professor at the School of Political Sciences at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and a member of the Bureau of the Greek Council for Refugees. H studied law at the University of

Athens. He holds postgraduate degrees in comparative politics from Paris I University and in developmental cooperation from The Free University of Brussels, from which he also received his PhD in the field of regional integration. He has worked at the University of the Aegean and has been teaching at the Aristotle University since 2004. His research deals with issues of European political integration, immigration policy and international humanitarian and refugee law. He has published articles on the European asylum policy and a monograph on the role of regional courts in political integration.

## Members designated by the Greek League for Women's Rights



## MARIA GAVOUNELI, regular member

LL.B. (Honours) (Athens); LL.M. (Cantab); Ph.D. (Cantab) (Paul Guggenheim Prize).

Assistant Professor of International Law, Faculty of Law, University of Athens.

Associate Research Fellow, Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, University of London.

Associate, Hellenic Institute of International & Foreign Law.

Chair, Sub-committee on international communication and cooperation; member, European Coordinating Committee (ECC), European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNHRI).

European Commission, Expert Group on Corruption (2011-2017); OECD, Working Group on Bribery in International Business Transactions, member of the Management Group, having served as Vice-President (2005-2013) and lead examiner; Council of Europe, Group of States Against Corruption (GRECO), Head of delegation (since 2006) and examiner; UN Convention against Corruption (UNCAC), contact point for Greece (2007-2009), evaluator; National Coordinator for combatting corruption, Advisory Body (2014-2016); Council of Europe, Steering Committee on Criminal Matters (CDPC), member of the Bureau (2007-2011); Legal advisor and delegate of the Hellenic Republic in the General Assembly of the United Nations (Third Committee); the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP); chair and member in numerous committees of the Council of Europe; President of the Committee of Article 36 (CATS), Council of the European Union (2003 and 2014); delegate and negotiator in numerous bilateral and multilateral treaties, including treaties with the USA, the Russian Federation, Canada, the Ukraine, Mexico, Brazil, Iran and Armenia.

Visiting professor and lecturer in several universities and research institutions in Greece and abroad, including the University of London, the Royal Institute of International Affairs (Chatham House), Tulane University (USA), the University of Edinburgh.

Member of several academic organisations, including the British Institute of International & Comparative Law (visiting researcher in 2000); the American Society of International Law (co-chair, Law of the Sea Interest Group – LOSIG, 2012-2015); the European Society of International Law (co-convenor, Interest Group on the Law of the Sea – LAWSEA, 2014-2016); the Association international de droit de la mer, the International Law Association (treasurer and founding member of the Hellenic Branch); the Hellenic Society of International Law & International Relations (secretary-general, 2014-2016).

ILA, Committee on international law and sea-level rise; having served in the Committee on the legal principles relating to climate change, member and co-author of the 2014 Washington Declaration on the legal principles relating to climate change (2010-2014) and co-rapporteur in the Committee on

transnational enforcement of environmental law (2004-2006); IUCN, Commission on Environmental Law, Mediterranean Sea Sub-Group, Co-chair.

Author of three monographs, several chapters in books and numerous articles; editor of several edited books; editor-in-chief and member of the board of several law journals.

Counsel, legal advisor and consultant; arbitrator under ICC rules, other domestic rules and Greek law.

Fluent in Greek (native language), English, French, Italian and Spanish.

## MARIA – ILIANA PRAVITA, alternate member

Studied Law at the Faculty of Law of the University of Athens (1996-2001) and followed graduate studies at the Department of Political Science and Public Administration of the same University (2001-2002), from which she received a Master's Degree with Honours on 'State and Public Policy' – grant from the State

Scholarships Foundation. Doctoral Degree (Ph.D) with Honours obtained from the aforementioned Department in 2008.

Fluency in English, French, German and Italian as well as basic knowledge of Spanish.

Lecturer in Administrative Science at the University of Athens, Department of Political Science and Public Administration, since July 2011. Has also taught classes at the Business Administration Course of the Hellenic Open University, the Athens Medical School, the National School of Public Administration as well as the Diplomatic Academy.

Member of academic associations, such as the Hellenic Institute of Administrative Sciences, the Hellenic Association of Political Science, the Greek Association of Public Law and Policy (secretary general), the Greek League for Women's Rights and the International Political Science Association.

Publications include books and papers on public administration, governance and fundamental rights, such as the following:

• *The Access of EU Citizens to the Public Service and its Restrictions*, Athens-Thessaloniki: Sakkoulas Publications, 2009 [in Greek].

• "Nationality as a Precondition for Access to Employment in Local Government", *The Constitution (To Syntagma)*, 36(1)/2010, 3-38 [in Greek].

• "The Access of EU Citizens to the Public Service. A Comparative Analysis", *Review of European Studies*, 2(2)/2010, 18-34.

• "The Role and Jurisdiction of Deputy Ministers in the Organisation and Functioning of Government Machinery in Greece", Journal of Administrative Law (Efimerida Dioikitikou Dikaiou),

2/2010, 239-254 [in Greek].

• "Local and Regional Ombudsmen in Greece", *Applications of Public Law (Efarmoges Dimosiou Dikaiou)*, 24(III)/2011, 256-261 [in Greek].

• "Constitutional Revision and Public Administration" in the collective volume *Constitutional Revision*, Athens-Thessaloniki: Sakkoulas Publications, 2015, 109-133 [in Greek].

• "Des aspects de collégialité dans le fonctionnement du gouvernement grec: Le cas des gouvernements de coalition à l'époque du Mémorandum", *International Public Administration Review*, 13(2)/2015, 37-66.

• "Article 41 (Right to good administration), Article 42 (Right of access to documents), Article 43 (European Ombudsman), Article 44 (Right to petition)" in the collective volume *The Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union. A Commentary*, Athens: Jurists' Library (Nomiki Bibliothiki), 2015, 463-498 [in Greek].

• "Politicisation of Public Administration - The Case of Staff Councils of Civil Servants", 2016 (forthcoming).

In collaboration with other scientists

• "Does Greek Public Administration Comply with Judicial Decisions?", *Applications of Public Law (Efarmoges Dimosiou Dikaiou)*, 23(I)/2010, 1-20 [in Greek].

• *Public Administration. Elements of Administrative Organisation*, Administrative Science I, Athens-Thessaloniki: Sakkoulas Publications, 5<sup>th</sup> edition, 2012 [in Greek].

• "Aspects of Judicial Activism in Greek Political and Administrative Culture", *Ius Publicum Network Review*, 1/2015.

• "Reform of Public Administration in Greece; Evaluating Structural Reform of Central Government Departments in Greece: Application of the DEA Methodology", *GreeSE Paper N<sup>o</sup>* 97, Hellenic Observatory Papers on Greece and Southeast Europe, London: The London School of Economics and Political Science, February 2016.

Associated editor of the journal *Administrative Science Review* and joint editor of the series on 'Administration and Society' of the Sakkoulas Publications.

## Members designated by the Panhellenic Foundation of Greek Roma Associations



#### **ELEFTHERIOS DIMITRIOU, regular member**

He was born in 1965 and raised in Agia Varvara. He became involved into politics for the first time as a member of the Administrative Board at the Panhellenic Educational Association of Greek Roma.

He is a founding member of the Panhellenic Foundation of Greek Roma Associations, as well as a founding member of the Panhellenic Confederation of

Greek Roma. He also served as a member of the Administrative Board of the Municipal Act for the Development of the Municipality of Agia Varvara in 1998, whereas nowadays he serves as an Administrative Counsel in the Municipality of Agia Varvara.

He has served as a member of the Committee of the General Development Directorate of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Finally, he has represented the Greek Roma at the European Parliament in Brussels (2005) and at the Council of Europe in Strasburg (2006).

VASILEIOS DIMITRIOU, alternate member

#### President of the Special Parliamentary Committee on Institutions and Transparency



## ANASTASIA CHRISTODOULOPOULOU

President of the Special Parliamentary Committee on Institutions and Transparency

#### Members designated by the political party SYRIZA



#### **SPYRIDON APERGIS, regular member**

Lawyer in Piraeus Bar Association since 1992. Specialized in Civil Law, Penal Law, Human Rights Law and Refugees Law. Active volunteer of the Greek Section of Amnesty International constantly from 1991 until today. Member of the

Board of the Greek Section of Amnesty International during 1996-1998, 2001-2003, 2004-2010. Treasurer of the Board during 2007-2010. Acting director of the Greek Section of Amnesty International during April-October 2010. Special associate of the Ecumenical Refugee Programme, special agency of Holy Synod of the Church of Greece for legal aid to asylum seekers and refugees during January 2003-September 2004. Regular member of the Appeals Committees (for asylum seekers) of the (former) Ministry of Public Order and the Ministry of Interior during February 2011-September 2015. I have taken part in numerous conferences and training seminars, having dealt with human rights and, especially, Refugees Law and processes of international protection. Member of the Human Rights Section of the political party SYRIZA during 2008- 2015 (August) when I pulled out of the party due to political and ideological disagreements.

#### ELENI SPATHANA, alternate member

#### Members designated by the political party New Democracy



## CHARALAMPOS NAOUMIS, regular member

Supreme Court Lawyer and Lawyer at the Council of State. Member of the Athens Bar Association since 1980.

He has been elected the first General Director of the Athens Bar Association, a position he is holding for the fifth consecutive term of office, with the unanimous

decisions of the Administrative Boards of the Athens Bar Association. He served as Director of the journal "Nomiko Vima" (Academy of Athens prize) and is currently the Director of the law journal "Kodikas Nomikou Vimatos".

#### **GEORGIOS NIKAS, alternate member**

#### Members designated by the political party Panhellenic Socialist Movement

## IOANNIS IOANNIDIS, regular member

Ioannis F. Ioannidis is a Lawyer, specialized in public and criminal law.

He participates in the Committee of Athens Bar Association for Migration and Refugees.He served as Secretary General of the Ministry of Interior from August 2012

February 2015. He previously served as Secretary General of Transparency and to Human Rights at the Ministry of Justice, Transparency and Human Rights, from February 2011 to July 2012. He was the Secretary General of the "Hellenic League for Human Rights" and member of the "National Commission for Human Rights", President of the 4<sup>th</sup> Sub-Commission for the promotion of Head of the legal aid office of the "Therapy Centre for Dependent Individuals" Human Rights. (KETHEA) in Athens, for the period 2004-2010. He has been the Secretary of the Board of Directors of the "Medical Rehabilitation Centre for Torture Victims", member of the Board of Directors of the "National Blood Donation Center", as well as member of the Management Committee of the Department in Athens of the "National Research Foundation Eleftherios K. Venizelos". He has published several articles in scientific journals and daily press. Author of the monograph "Les privations de liberté au nom de l'ordre public" (The deprivation of liberty in the name of public order), in European public law series -Bibliothèque de droit public européen, Esperia publications ltd, London. He studied Law at the National Kapodistrian University of Athens and at the Sorbonne's University (Paris I Panthéon - Sorbonne) where he obtained his D.E.A. in constitutional law and individual freedoms. He speaks English, French and Spanish.

VASILEIOS CHRONOPOULOS, alternate member

## Members designated by the political party Communist Party of Greece

## ANTONIS ANTANASIOTIS

Born in Athens, he studied law at the University of Thrace and works as a lawyer.

Member of the Department of Justice and Freedoms Peoples of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Greece, the National Council of the Greek Committee for International Detente and Peace, the Secretariat of the Democratic

Rally for Popular Freedoms and Solidarity and the Administrative Council of the Bar Association of Athens.

## Members designated by the political party To Potami



#### GIANNA G. PANAGOPOULOU, regular member (from May 2016)

I graduated from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki Law School and I continued with my post-graduate studies in Penal and Criminal Procedural Law and Criminology. I further received a scholarship from the Institution of State Scholarships in order to elaborate my doctoral thesis, focusing on the criminal

protection of the environment and the legal issues that occur while implementing the relevant legislation. My research was published and I obtained my Ph.D. in 1992.

I have been practicing Law for more than 27 years and I am a lawyer of the Supreme Court of Greece and of the Council of State.

Since 2002, I have been elected as a member of the Board of the Bar Association of Thessaloniki, serving in key positions (twice elected Vice-President).

I am a member of the Scientific Working Group of the Municipality of Thessaloniki for the socially vulnerable groups of our city, President of the Mediation Committee of the Bar Association of Thessaloniki and member of the Board of the Mediation Training Institute of Thessaloniki.

I have published more than 20 Articles and Studies in prestigious legal journals, such as Armenopoulos, Iperaspisi, Poiniki Dikaiosuni, Aisimnitis, Enopion etc. I have also participated numerous times as a panelist in conferences, seminars and lectures of several institutions [such as: Aristotle University of Thesssaloniki, Court of Audit, University of Peireus, Greek Society of Penal and Criminal Law, the Region of Central Macedonia, Municipalities, Democritus University of Thrace, the American Center, Technical Chamber, Institute of Continuing Education, International Hellenic University, the Bar Association of Thessaloniki, the American College of Thessaloniki (Anatolia), Money Show, League for Women Rights etc.]

I am married and I have two children.



# FOTINI LEOBILLA, alternate member (from May 2016)

Fotini Leobilla works as Msc Sociologist, Social-therapist in KETHEA-EXELIXIS, which provides psycho-social support and harm reduction

services to dependent drug users. She also provides services as a sociologist, to KYADA, a Municipality of Athens's Foundation that provides social services to destitute and homeless people. She has collaborated with the Athens University Medical School in the "Aristotle" research program, as social-therapist (it was a research to address the HIV epidemic among IDUs).

Last February she elected Head of the Assessment-Development Executives Council (S.A.A.S), by the Congress of "POTAMI". She participates as an expert to "Justice and Human Rights" policy area of "POTAMI" political party. She was also candidate MEPs and parliamentary candidate for "POTAMI". As an executive member of the party she has provided her services to various policy areas such as the "Support and rehabilitation of dependent individuals" (as Policy Manager), "Welfare policy area" and "Human Rights policy area" (as Coordinator).

She grew up to the neighborhoods of Piraeus, graduated 1st Drapetsona's Lyceum. In 2006 she took part to the national entrance exams and achieved to introduce herself at Panteion University's Sociology department, from which she graduated in 2010. In 2008 and 2010 she was awarded scholarships by the State Scholarships Foundation. She has a postgraduate degree to "Social exclusion and minorities" of Panteion University's Sociology department, since 2013. In 2014 she gets a diploma in "Counselling on Addictions" by Athens's University. She speaks English, Italian and French.

Through her job, political activity and attitude gives the "every day" fight in order to support socially vulnerable individuals and "promote" their Human Rights.



Members designated by the political party Enosi Kentroon



# PANAGIOTIS SFAELOS, regular member

Dr. Panagiotis Sfaelos is University Lecturer, Lawyer, Political Scientist and Journalist. He holds a Ph.D. in Law from the University of Kent with specialization in EU Law and Immigration Law. He also holds a Master of Laws (LL.M.) in European Law with Merit from the University of Kent. He holds a Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) from the University of Leicester and a Bachelor of Arts

(B.A.) in European Studies from London South Bank University. Has has also studied Journalism at the London School of Journalism and at the Antenna Media Lab in Greece.

At professional level, Dr. Sfaelos is a Consultant at the Hellenic Parliament. He also works as a Lecturer at the Hellenic Police Academy teaching EU Law and Human Rights (8 years). He has also been teaching EU Law at the University of Nicosia (1 year) and at the American University of Athens (3 years). He has also worked as a Lawyer at the EU Section of the Law Office of the Republic of Cyprus (1 year). Further,

he has worked as Journalist at the Press Office of Delta Forum, a company organizing academic conferences (7 years). He has also worked at the Press Operations of the Athens Olympic Games 2004 as Press Tribune Runner. He is also Freelance Journalist specializing in the analysis of international and European affairs. In parallel, he is a book reviewer for the Journal of Common Market Studies.

## ANNA ARCHONTOULI, alternate member

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I was born in Alexandria of Egypt. I studied in Pedagogic Academy of Arsakio with funded scholarship by the National Scholarship's Institution. I followed private education consciously, with all costs that this choice might have.

I worked in private schools and since 1980 I worked in Psyxiko College, as in the Greek-French School 'Saint Paul'. I attended several seminars both in Psyxiko

College and Moraiti School.

## Hellenic Consumers' Ombudsman



## LEFTERIS ZAGORITIS, regular member

Lefteris Zagoritis is a Supreme Court lawyer, with extensive judicial experience and expertise in civil, commercial and criminal law.

He has been an elected member and Vice-President of the Athens Barrister Association and has served as president of its Disciplinary Board. He counts systematic participation in various committees of the Athens Barrister Association; additionally, he has acted as examiner in professional license examinations for trainee lawyers.

Mr Zagoritis served as Member of Parliament for the Athens B District between 2004 and 2009, and was elected Secretary General of the Nea Demokratia political party in 2006, a position he held until 2010.

As a Member of Parliament, Mr Zagoritis was a Member of the (a) Economic Affairs, (b) Public Administration, Public Order & Justice, and (c) Social Affairs Standing Committees of the Hellenic Parliament. He also served in the Subcommittee for Combating Narcotics as well as in various internal affairs committees of the Hellenic Parliament.

Lefteris Zagoritis was born on September 14, 1956 and originates from Zagori Epirus, in the northwest of Greece.

He graduated from the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens with a degree in Law and a first class degree in Political Science.

Mr Zagoritis is fluent in English.



## ATHINA KONTOGIANNI, alternate member

Mrs Athina Kontogianni, is a law graduate and holder of a PhD in civil law, with mention "Excellent "conferred from the National and

Kapodistrian University of Athens (Faculty of Law) with a state scholarship. She is member of the Athens Bar Association as from 1999 and has long and solid experience as legal consultant to the Scientific Council of the Chamber of Deputies of the Hellenic Parliament and to the Ministries of (a) Justice, (b) Interior, Public Administration and Decentralization, (c) Public Order and Protection of Citizens. She has a strong academic interest on better regulation issues and on consumer law and protection from a comparative European perspective and a long practical affiliation with the field of public administration. She presents a rich publication record, especially in relation to Directive 1999/44/EC on the sale of consumer goods and to the alternative dispute resolution of consumer claims. She has been appointed as Deputy Hellenic Consumer Ombudsman and as Director of the Greek European Consumer Centre since October 2014.

#### **Greek Ombudsman**

# **ANDREAS POTTAKIS, regular member-Greek Ombudsman** (since August 2016)

Andreas I. Pottakis studied Law at the Universities of Athens and Oxford where he was awarded a doctorate (D.Phil.) in EU Public Law. He has lectured at various European Universities, in the UK, in Italy, in Turkey and in Greece where he has also

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served as legal advisor to the General Secretariat of the Hellenic Government, while from 2015 until early 2016 he was appointed at the position of Head of the Legal Office. He has published extensively on a wide range of areas, including, inter alia, European Public Law, Comparative Law, Constitutional and Administrative Law, and the legal protection of Human Rights (list of recent publications available here).

#### GEORGIOS NIKOLOPOULOS, alternate member (since December 2016)

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University of Athens, he received his MD from the University of Athens and a PhD in Cell and Developmental Biology from Harvard University. After completing an EMBO postdoctoral fellowship at

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Educated in Athens, London and Strasbourg, Costas has taught at the Universities of Middlesex, Lancaster, Prague, Athens, Griffith and Nanjing. Costas is a founding member of the Critical Legal Conference; founding member of the Birkbeck Law School and the Cyprus University School of Law and of the Birkbeck Institute for the Humanities; managing editor of *Law and Critique: The International Journal of Critical Legal Thought*; managing director of the publishing house *Birkbeck Law Press*.

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## VASSILIKI GEORGIADOU, regular member

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Switzerland, Austria, Germany (Kastaniotis, 2008). She is a member of the board of directors of the Centre for Political Research, and a member of the Editorial Board of "Science and Society: Journal of Political and Moral Theory". She is currently a lead researcher in a research project on xenophobia in Greece. Her publications appear among others in *International Journal of Politics, Culture and Society, Zeitschrift für Politikwissenschaft, Revue des Sciences Sociales*, Party Politics, *Science and Society, The Greek Journal of Political Science*.

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#### GEORGE GERAPETRITIS, regular member

George Gerapetritis is associate professor of constitutional law at the Faculty of Law of the University of Athens. He studied in Athens (LL.B.), Edinburgh (LL.M.) and Oxford (D.Phil), has been a visiting fellow at the University of Oxford (Institute of European and Comparative Law) and at the University of

London (Institute of Advanced Legal Studies) and has taught European and comparative constitutional law and history in many universities. He has published 6 books, among which *Affirmative Action Policies and Judicial Review Worldwide* (Springer, Ius Gentium Series, 2015), *Proportionality in Administrative Law. Judicial Review in France, Greece, England and in the European Community* (Sakkoulas, 1997) and *European Constitutional History. I-II United States and England* (Law Library, 2014 in Greek) and about 100 articles and contributions in legal and economic periodical worldwide in English, French and Greek. He is practicing law before the Greek Council of State, the Court of the European Union and the European Court of Human Rights.



## SPYRIDON VLAHOPOULOS, alternate member

Studies:

1986-1990: Law School/National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

1991-1995: Doctoral studies in the Law School of the University of Munich/Germany. Title of PhD thesis: "Freedom of art and protection of youth", published in the Series "Schriften zum öffentichen Recht", (1996, Duncker und Humblot). Scholar of Alexander S.Onassis Foundation.

## - Academic Career

2003: Lecturer of Public Law at the Law School of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

2007: Assistant Professor of Public Law in the Law School of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens [Summer 2010: Sabbatical leave, spent at Queen's University Belfast].

2012: Associate Professor of Public Law in the Law School of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

Teaching Subjects in undergraduate and postgraduate education: Constitutional Law, Fundamental Rights, National and International Protection of Fundamental Rights (for Erasmus students in English and German), Political and Constitutional History, Applications of Constitutional and Administrative Law.

- Scientific work:

Books: 1. "Aspects of judicial protection before the Council of State" (1998). 2. "The right to petition according to Greek and European Community Law" (1998). 3. "Privatization: The constitutional framework of a political decision" (1999). 4. "Cloning in Greek legal order" (2000). 5. "Transparency of states actions and personal data protection" (2007). 6. The crisis of parliamentarianism during the interwar period and the end of the Second Greek Republic in 1935. The institutional aspects of an economic crisis? (2012), 7. "The Dynamic Interpretation of the Constitution: The adjustment of the constitutional text to the changing conditions" (2014).

Articles: Several scientific articles in the field of Public Law, especially Constitutional Law. Some of them in English and German language (e.g.: 'The European Union's Charter of Fundamental Rights', Festschrift für Apostolos Georgiades , 2006 , pp. 985 et seq., 'Public Law and Risk – Democracy of the Scientists ?', Revue Hellénique des Droits de l'Homme 27/2005 , pp. 765 et seq., 'Transparency of the administrative action: The implementation in the legislation and the administrative practice' , European Public Law Series XCVIII 2010 , pp. 229 et seq.).

Conferences: Participation at many Greek and international conferences (e.g.: <u>October 2012</u> : 'State Responsibility for Medical Faults'', International Association of Lawyers and Petru-Maior University , <u>May 2013</u> : 'The Quality of Statutes as a Factor of Legal (Un)Certainty , especially in the Times of Crisis' , Conference of Alexander von Humboldt Foundation and European Public Law Organisation ,

<u>September 2013</u>, 'The commitment of Administrative Courts concerning tax cases from the decisions of Criminal Courts', Working group Taxation Law meeting, Association of European Administrative Judges).

Other Scientific and Professional work:

- 1992- today: Attorney at Law, specialized in Public Law cases (e.g. Protection of Fundamental Rights, Environmental Law, Public Procurement Law, Civil Cervants Law), mainly before the Council of State (the highest Greek Administrative Court ).

- 1999 - today: Member of the Scientific Committee of the Greek Law Journal "The Constitution".

- 2004-today: Member of several legislative Committees.

- 2011-today: Deputy Member of the Greek Data Protection Authority (Independent Administrative Authority).

- August 2013 – today: Member of the Academic Board of the "Academy of Transparency and Human Rights for Good Governance" of the European Public Law Organization.

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## IFIGENEIA KAMTSIDOU, regular member

Ifigeneia Kamtsidou studied Law at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (AUTH). She is a Master's Degree holder in Public Law

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She has written in Constitutional Law, Fundamental Rights, Comparative Constitutional Law and General Theory of the State and Law. Her books include "The parliamentary system: democratic principle and governmental responsibility", "The pro-law reservation as a restriction, a guarantee and a pleader for freedoms", "Greece" (chapter presenting the Greek regime in J-M. de Waele - Nathalie Brack and Jean-Benoit Pilet, Les Démocraties Européennes, Paris, Ar. Colin, 3rd edition), and her articles concern "The significance of the EU Constitution", "Democracy and citizenship in the EU", "The separation of powers", "The public interest in crisis' periods", "The economic crisis and the Constitution", «self-regulation and Constitutional Principles" etc. During the years 2012 and 2013 she was a member of the

Examinations Committee for the admission in the National School of Public Administration and Local Government (ESDDA), while, since 2013, she is an Evaluator of the proposals submitted to the Italian Ministry of Education, University and Research (MIUR). Member of the Committee of the Bar Association of Thessaloniki for the Revision of the Greek Constitution (2006-2008), she was the President of the Law-Drafting Committee of the General Secretariat of Equality regarding the law-draft on the implementation of gender equality (August 2010-September 2011). Since May 2015, she is President of the working group of the General Secretariat of Equality regarding the validation and implementation of the Istanbul Convention of the Council of Europe.



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## LINA PAPADOPOULOU, alternate member

Lina (Triantafyllia) Papadopoulou is an associate professor of constitutional law, holder of a Jean Monnet Chair for European Constitutional Law and Culture, at

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Her publications include monographs such as 'European Political Parties' (in German) and "National Constitution and Community Law: the 'supremacy' issue" (2009, in Greek), as well as numerous articles, such as: 'Rainbow families in Greece: the Outlaws' (2015), 'Trapped in history: Greek Muslim Women under the Sacred Islamic Law' (2010), 'Children and Religious freedom: An Enquiry into children's capability of being holders of rights and the nature of religious freedom in the Western world' (2004) etc.

She is member of the 'European Commission on Sexual Orientation Law', of "International Association of Family Law" and stakeholder at the project "Families And Societies, Changing families and sustainable societies: Policy contexts and diversity over the life course and across generations" (Leader: Prof Livia Sz. Oláh, Stockholm University), member of the European Consortium for Church and State Research and of the European Constitutional Law Network.



## **BASILEIOS TZOUFIS, regular member**

Basileios Tzoufis is a lawyer, member of the Athens Bar Association. Born in Ioannina in 1978 and graduated from the Classical Lyceum Ioannina.

He studied law and obtained a law degree from the Law School of the University of Athens. He also obtained an LL.M. from the (then) General Faculty of Law at the Panteion University entitled "Law and European Integration / Criminal Law and Theory of Law" and a Doctorate in Criminology at the Department of Criminology of the Faculty of Sociology at Panteion University. His PhD thesis is entitled: "Harmonization problems of the criminal dogma with the request of effective criminal protection of the health and safety of workers" initially in the (then) General Faculty of Law at the Panteion University entitled "Law and European Integration / Criminal Law and Theory of Law ", and then (due abolition of the General Faculty of Law at the Panteion University by merging disciplines) at the Department of Criminology of the Faculty of Sociology at Panteion University, from which he received his Doctorate in Criminology.

He is a member of the Athens Bar Association since September 2002, when he became a lawyer at Athens Court (of First Instance). In 2006 he was promoted to attorney Court of Appeals and since 2010 is a lawyer at the Supreme Court. He deals with cases of criminal, civil and administrative law.



## CHRISTOS KLEIOSIS, alternate member

Christos Kleiosis is a Supreme Court lawyer of Athens. He graduated from the Law School of Athens in 2001 and he is holder of the M.A. degree: "Master 2 Recherche Droit fiscal" of the "Universite Paris 1 Pantheon – Sorbonne" University.

He is the President and lawyer acting for a party of the Association: "Hellenic Union of Taxpayers" (former Greek Taxpayers) of which as a legal advisor he has caused a case-law for the interests of the Greek taxpayers such as:

- The cancellation of the agreement of the Greek State with Siemens (3930/2015 decision of the Supreme Administrative Court that refers the case to the Plenary Session)

- The recognition of an individualized non-taxable limit of income for a very large family (It was discussed in the Plenary Session of the Supreme Administrative Court on 05/6/2015)

- The recognition of the taxpayer's right so that a tax settlement take place on the actual value of the real property and not on the value that the legislation on Property Tax and Unified Property Ownership Tax sets out (86/2015 decision of a seven-member composition of the Supreme Administrative Court)

Simultaneously, he has contributed to the drawing up of working texts on the more just taxation that have been published by the Association: "Hellenic Union of Taxpayers" which are posted on the site: www.forologoumenos.gr