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**Curriculum Vitae of Moderators and Speakers** 

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## **Boyana Achovski**

#### GIE Secretary General, Gas Infrastructure Europe (GIE), Brussels, Belgium



Since September 2016, Boyana Achovski serves as Secretary General of Gas Infrastructure Europe (GIE), the European association of gas transmission, gas storage and LNG regasification terminal operators. Prior to her current function, Ms. Achovski held the position of GIE Vice Executive Secretary for a period of 4 years. Before joining GIE, Boyana Achovski worked for Bulgartransgaz, the Bulgarian transmission and storage operator, where she led the Analysis and International Operations Division, managing the company's

undertakings relating to the European regulatory framework and European energy policy. Ms. Achovski graduated in International Economic Affairs, specialized in International Finance and holds a Master's degree in Finance. Boyana Achovski was a Chair of GasNaturally Steering Committee from June 2017 to January 2018 and from July to December 2019.

# Ass. Prof. Athanasia Alonistioti

Associate Professor at the Department of Informatics and Telecommunications of the University of Athens



Ms. Athanasia Alonistioti is Associate Professor at the Department of Informatics and Telecommunications of the University of Athens. She has extensive experience in European and National Research Programs, while she has also served as being coordinator and technical manager in several of them. She has participated in more than 30 projects (eg CTS, SS # 7, ACTS RAINBOW, EURESCOM, MOBIVAS, ANWIRE, FP7 E2R, LIAISON, E3, SELFNET, UNIVERSELF, CONSERN, WHERE 2, SmartAgriFood, LIVECITY, METIS, H2020 FISPACE, SPECIFI, FRACTALS, PRIVACY FLAG, Fed4FIRE, 5GINFIRE,

5GCroCo). Her research interests are in the areas of Cognitive Self-managed Networks, Future Internet, Internet of Things, Big Data Analytics. She has over 170 publications in the aforementioned research areas and over 2000 heterogeneous reports.

# **Prof. Ioannis Anagnostopoulos**

Member of the Board, Regulatory Authority for Energy (RAE)



**Professor Ioannis S. Anagnostopoulos** graduated in Mechanical Engineering from the National Technical University of Athens, Greece, and received his Ph.D. in Computational Fluid Mechanics from the same University. He worked for several years as post-doctoral researcher in the NTUA and as R&T consultant in the private sector where he has been involved in feasibility studies for various industrial innovations. He has participated in more than 40 research

projects, and has more than 120 scientific publications in international journals and conferences. Also, he has developed a number of advanced computer codes for the simulation of various fluid flow mechanisms in industrial applications (e.g. pulverized coal and natural gas combustion, coal grinding, electrostatic filters, erosion ware and fouling, metal thermal spraying, atmospheric dispersion and pollution, centrifugal pumps and hydroturbines,

hydraulic systems), as well as for the modelling of complex energy systems. He is Director of the Laboratory of Hydraulic Turbomachines, School of Mechanical Engineering, NTUA, and his current research activities include numerical and experimental flow analysis and hydrodynamic design in pumps and hydroturbines, design and operation of sea wave, tidal and hydrokinetic energy units, optimal sizing and operation strategies of power production systems combining RES and energy storage, and large RES integration in electric power systems. Since February 2016 his is Board member of the Greek Regulatory Authority for Energy.

# **Prof. Konstantinos Aravossis**

General Secretary for Natural Environment and Water Greek Ministry for Environment and Energy



Prof. Konstantinos Aravossis is General Secretary for Natural Environment and Water at the Greek Ministry for Environment and Energy. He is a Mechanical Engineer (Technical University of Aachen -Germany) with an M.Sc. in Management Science from Imperial College - University of London. He has further been awarded a PhD by the National Technical University of Athens, focusing on Operations Research.

He is an Assoc. Professor of "Planning, Management and Assessment of Technological and Environmental Investments at the NTUA (National

Technical University of Athens), Professor at the ATHENS MBA (NTUA - Athens University of Economics) since 1997 and a visiting Professor at Imperial College. He was the Coordinator of the "Environmental Economics and Sustainable Development Research Group" of the Sector of Industrial Management and Operations Research of the Mechanical Engineering School and the Environmental Advisor to the President of the Greek New Democracy political party.

He is President of the Greek Branch of the Waste to Energy Research and Technology Council (www.wtert.gr) coordinated by Columbia University and associate researcher of the Earth Engineering Center -Columbia University.

He was President of the Coordinating Committee of the Institute of Production and Operations Management / Hellenic Management Association.

He has been an advisor of the deputy Minister of Culture for the Olympic Games Constructions and their Post-Olympic utilization, President of the Greek Association of Environmental Protection Companies, President of the Hellenic Solid Waste Management Association (HSWMA) (now Hon. President), President of the Ordinary Environmental Committee of the Technical Chamber of Greece and member of Evaluation Committees for Investment and Energy Projects of the Ministry of Development. Furthermore, he was General Manager of Environmental Companies. He has organised 13 International Conferences and has over 100 scientific publications.

# Mr. Konstantinos Athanassiadis

Chairman of the Board, ESEPIE



Mechanical Engineer, with extensive experience in Business Development and Origination both in Greece and abroad. He has been in Management Consulting for more than a decade before assuming in 2008 the position of Regional Manager of GEN-I Athens, the largest alternative electricity trader in Greece. He holds the position of Chairman of the Board of the HELLENIC ASSOCIATION OF ELECTRICITY TRADING & SUPPLY COMPANIES

(ESEPIE) since its foundation in 2014.

# Dr. Ayeridis George

Head of Division, Energy Efficiency Directorate, CRES



He is Director of Energy Efficiency Division in the Center for Renewable Energy Sources and Saving (CRES). From February to September 2012 he was also General Director in charge.

He is Mechanical Engineer with Ph.D. degree.

He has worked in the field of Renewable Energy Sources and Environmental Protection as a consultant to the private and

public sector. From 2000 to 2005 he was a surveyor for insurance companies.

He was Chairman of the Hellenic Association for the Cogeneration of Heat and Power – HACHP, President of the Hellenic Institute of Electric Vehicles – HELIEV and member of the administration committee of the Hellenic Institute of Production and Operations' Management of the Hellenic Management Association.

#### **Dr. Yiannis Bassias**

President & CEO, Hellenic Hydrocarbon Resources Management SA



Yannis has 30 years, in the international oil and gas exploration and services business. Since November 2016 he is the President & CEO of HHRM (Hellenic Hydrocarbon Resources Management) the state company managing and supervising the oil & gas exploration and production projects in Greece. From 2012 to 2016 he advised several companies in EEZs of the Indian Ocean, Equatorial America and West Africa on geological and legal aspects of frontier hydrocarbon basins. From 1997 to 2012, as president of Georex group, he demerged the exploration assets from the service activities and established technical

subsidiaries in France, United Kingdom, Tunisia and the Republic of Congo. Managed database projects on CIS reservoirs, data mergers for Total, PetroFina and Elf, seismic data transcription for Snpc and Esso. Between 1996 and 2000 he directed evaluation teams for the development of oil and gas interests in Texas and Colombia and in 2007 initiated for Poros onshore exploration portfolios with assets in the Paris basin and Tunisia. Before joining the petroleum industry had an academic career at the Free University of Berlin and was associate professor in the National Museum of Natural History, Paris, with main research focus the Precambrian

of Morocco and sedimentary basins and ridges of the Indian Ocean. Geologist, PhD. in tectonics and stratigraphy, he is author of more than 30 publications in international scientific or industry journals.

# Prof. Vesna Borozan

Professor, Head of Power Systems Department, Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Information Technologies, University of Sts. Cyril and Methodius, North Macedonia



Prof. Vesna Borozan received her PhD degree in 1996, from University of Belgrade, Serbia. She was a Postdoctoral Fellow at North Carolina State University, USA in 1997, Visiting Professor at Pontificia Universidad Catolica de Chile, Chile, in 1999 and Honorary Professor at Vienna University of Technology, Austria, in 2010 - 2012. Prof. Borozan was Member of Macedonian Parliament in the mandate period 2002 - 2006 and Amabassador to the Republic of Austria, Slovak Republic, Czech Republic and Japan from 2006 to 2010.

Presently she is Professor in Power Systems at the Faculty of Electri–cal En–gineering and Information Technologies, Uni-versity "Sts. Cyril and Methodi–us", Skopje. Her academic inte–rest include electricity markets and regulation, power and distribution sys–tem operation, as well as, integration of dispersed generation and smart grids. She is an author or coauthor of numerous scientific publications.

Prof. Borozan has been involved in many projects and studies related to liberalization of electricity market in SEE Region. She holds imperative experience in transposition of EU acquis communautaire, focusing on the policy matters from the 2nd and 3rd Energy package. In the period 2002 – 2006, in the capacity of Member of Parliament and Special Envoy of the Prime minister to the negotiations of the Energy Community Treaty, she participated acctivelly in the process of establishing the Energy Community. In addition, she gave an important contribution to the initial restructuring of the energy sector in her home country including coordination of the reform policy, drafting the necessary legal framework, establishing Energy Regulatory Commission and Energy Agency. Recently, continuing her voluntary contribution to the Regional Electricity Market issues, she was a member of the ad-hoc Energy Community HLRG and MC/PX WG.

She is Senior member of IEEE, Member of CIGRE, Associate Member of IENE and Cofounder of ECEE.

# Mr. Shkelqim Bozgo

Managing Partner, SEA Consulting, Albania



## **Education**

• Petroleum Engineer graduated from l'Institute Algerien du Petrole and Master in Bussines Administration graduated from the University of Tirana and Lincoln, Nebraska

#### **Experience**

• Senior Executive with long experience managing large and medium size commercial, public and non for profit projects and organizations. Country Manager for Albania of the mega project Trans Adriatic Pipeline

(TAP) 2013-2017.

- Co-author of the Final Joint Opinion, the joint project of the Greek, Italian and Albanian energy regulators for awarding the third party access exemption to TAP.
- Author of several regulatory acts for the Albanian natural gas sector and familiarity with the energy and natural gas sector in the Energy Community. President of the Energy Community Regulatory Board (March 2012 November 2013).
- Rich experience in the area of stakeholder management, sustainable development, poverty reduction, renewable and energy efficiency projects. Shkelqim lead CAFOD Albania (9years) and the Albania EU Energy Efficiency Centre (2 years).

# **Prof. Pantelis Capros**

Director of E3M Lab , National Technical University of Athens and Chairman of the Scientific Council, IENE



Pantelis Capros heads the E3MLab, a research laboratory operating, since 1988, within the Institute of Communication and Computer Systems of the National Technical University of Athens. He is full-tenured Professor of Energy Economics and Operation Research at the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering of the National Technical University of Athens.

He holds an engineering degree from NTUA, three Master Degrees in

Economics, Informatics and Operations Research from ENSAE, the University of Dauphine and a Doctorat d'Etat (PhD) in Mathematical Economics from the University Pierre & Marie Curie. He has been the first Chairman of the Regulatory Authority for Energy in Greece (2000-2005), a member of the Board of Directors of the Public Power Corporation (1995-2000), a visiting Professor at University of Paris Sorbonne for five years and a researcher at CEA in France (1979-1984). He is a founding member of the European Energy Institute.

He has more than 30 years of experience in research, consultancy and studies, in particular for the European Commission, several governments and major companies in Europe. He specialises in the field of energy systems analysis and economics, environmental and climate policies, macroeconomics and industrial economics. He performs empirical research in these fields using and developing large-scale mathematical models. He has widely published (more than 100 publications) in the areas of Energy Modelling, Climate Economics, Empirical Macroeconomics, Operations Research and Mathematical Programming.

The E3MLab, led by Prof. Capros, develops, since 1990, large-scale energy-economy modelling for many countries, scenario building and impact assessment studies that support the European Commission in impact assessments of legislation initiatives. Indicative studies are the Reference energy-transport projections (published every two years), and a series of policy reforms, such as the 20-20-20 package, the Winter package (in 2016), the Energy and Climate Roadmaps, the recent mid-century strategy, electricity and gas market directives, the ETS and others. The support relies on complex models, such as PRIMES, PRIMES-TREMOVE and GEM-E3, which have been exclusively developed by the E3MLab and are widely used for energy, transport, climate policies and economic assessments of the EU policy, also in national energy planning studies, roadmaps by Eurelectric and Eurogas and in studies for large private corporations. The E3MLab, using the models, is leading several consultancy projects on energy policy, electricity markets and economic development for most of the European governments, major energy companies, the World Bank and several other institutions outside Europe. E3MLab is a provider of studies and services to the IPCCC.

#### Mr. Ioannis Chadjivassiliades

**Past Chairman, IENE** 



Dipl. Mechanical and Electrical Engineer of the NTUA (1960), expert in the development of renewable energy sources and sustainable power systems. He worked for the Public Power Corporation (1962-1990) in the department of power generation as director of power plants and project manager in large power plants development. From 1975 John was in charge of the development of wind and solar energy projects for power generation with the successful first in

Europe Windpark of Kythnos (1982) and the biggest hybrid by wind and solar PV.

Since 1990, he is consultant engineer in energy, especially in the renewable energy sources, energy efficiency and sustainable development. For many years he served as an expert in evaluating research proposals and programs, coordinator and technical assistant of large research projects for RES integration into the networks within the European Commission research programs.

John has been a scientific committee member in a number of European and international conferences, invited lecturer in international events and conferences where he presented over 80 papers, member of national and EU missions for international cooperation in scientific research and technology, National Representative in the Mirror Group of the European PV Technology Platform (2005-2012). He is founding Member of the European Wind Energy Association (EWEA, 1982), founding Member and Chairman (07/2013-06/2019) of IENE. He has been also Member of the Permanent Scientific Committee of the Hellenic Association of Mechanical and Electrical Engineers (1999-2012), Major in Reserve of the Hellenic Army in the Technical Corp.

John is the recipient of the "Prize Aeolus" Award, for his contribution in wind energy development, by the Hellenic Wind Energy Association-member of EWEA (2009), as well as of the "2010 PES Chapter Outstanding Engineer" Award, for his contribution in renewable energy research and development by the IEEE Power & Energy Society, PES Greece Chapter.

## Mr. Aristotelis Chantavas

## Head of Europe area, Enel Green Power Hellas



Aristotelis Chantavas is currently the Head of Europe region in Enel Green Power (EGP), covering the European countries except for Italy and Spain. Aristotelis is managing all the renewable business of Enel in these countries, focusing mainly in wind, solar, hydro and battery storage technologies. He has a diverse background in the management of different types of renewables projects, varying both in size and type. His previous experience in renewable energy includes executive roles in EDF, in GES and in Robur, both in Europe and in USA.

Aristotelis graduated in Civil Engineering from Democritus University of Thrace and holds an MSc in Engineering Business Management from University of Warwick, with further specialization in Entrepreneurial Studies at Harvard University.

## **Mr.** Ioannis Desypris

#### Director of Regulatory Affairs, Mytilineos SA, past Chairman, IENE



Born 1952, a Chemical Engineer (UK), PhD in fuels and energy (Leeds, UK), Member of the Hellenic Chamber of Engineers, Chartered Engineer in UK, Member of Association of CEOs in Greece, Member of BoD of Hellenic Association of Cogen Producers.

An energy business analyst and expert over the years widely known in the country. Has scientifically researched coal, then worked with oil following up with gas and currently with electricity. Currently Director for Institutional and Regulatory Affairs of Endesa Hellas, Member of the BoD of Endesa Hellas and Energy Advisor to the Chairman and CEO of

Mytilineos Holdings. Member of the BoD of various companies.

In the past has worked in various companies in Greece and abroad, specifically in Greece reference is made to Mytilineos Holdings as Director General to Energy Division, Managing Director to Mytilineos Power Generation and Supplies and to all RES companies, in METKA as General Manager, and earlier in companies of HELPE Group specifically to ASPROFOS as Managing Director and in DEPA as responsible engineer for gas supply negotiations and the project of introduction of gas in Greece.

# Mr. Christodoulos (Christos) Dimas

Member of the Board of Directors and Chairman of IENE's Geopolitics Committee, IENE



• Topographer (1972) & Civil Engineer (1974), National Technical University of Athens

• He has managed major projects on Energy, Industry & Infrastructure (Europe, Saudi Arabia, Russia). He was a senior executive and Board member in various businesses and organizations (Petrola Hellas, Petrola International, Hellenic Petroleum, Helpe - Thraki, Trans Balkan, Construction companies, etc.)

 Christos Dimas represented the Greek Ministry of Development for international energy issues and participated in international conferences with presentations on the transport of oil and gas from Russia, Central Asia and the Caspian Sea to the International Markets

Among others he has held the Following positions:

- Refinery Project Manager (Petrola Hellas)
- Project Manager of Latsis Group in Greece
- He was the General Technical Director of TBP B.V. (Burgas -Alexandroupolis Oil Pipeline)
- He was the General Director of TBP B.V. (Burgas -Alexandroupolis Oil Pipeline) and Chief Executive Officer of TBP B.V. – Greece and General Manager of Helpe-Thraki SA.
- President of the Hellenic-Russian Chamber of Commerce (2011-2017).
- He was member of the International Council of the Russian Industry Organization (RSPP) in Moscow

- President of the EPEE Strategic Council in Moscow with members: Russia's Federal Chamber of Industry, Russia's Federation of Russian Industries (RSPP), Russian Academy (energy sector), Russia's Agency for Strategic Initiatives, Federation of Russian Construction Companies, the Federation of the Russian Pharmaceutical Industry,
- Founding Member and Partner of Institute of for Energy South East Europe (IENE)
- Chairman of the Geopolitics & Energy Committee of the <u>Institute of Energy for SE</u> <u>Europe (IENE)</u>

## Ms. Tatiana Eleftheriadou

Business Development Expert, Hellenic Gas Transmission System Operator S.A. (DESFA)



Tatiana Eleftheriadou began her career as an account officer in a Greek engineering consulting firm with international presence. She has a diverse work background and experience in sales, marketing and business development, across different industries of EU and USA market.

She held a stagiaire position at the DG for Energy & Transport of the EC in 2004 and since 2012 she has been active in the energy sector. She has worked as a special advisor for the Deputy Minister of the Greek Ministry of Environment & Energy, providing strategic support services on issues touching upon International & EU energy affairs

and legislation, mainly focusing on the gas sector. Tatiana was a member of working and negotiating teams of the Deputy Minister's cabinet and part of the Hellenic delegation to EU Ministerial meetings. She functioned as a liaison officer between the cabinet and the Directorate for International and European Affairs of the Ministry, the Greek Permanent Representation to the EU in Brussels and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Since 2015 she has been working as a business development advisor at DESFA. She is a member of the management team of Poseidon Med II EU co-financed project and has been nominated by DESFA as its legal representative in the Marine LNG network.

Tatiana holds a degree in Maritime Studies from the University of Piraeus, an MBA from the University of Leicester and a Diploma in Negotiations from the Athens University of Economics & Business. She is Member of the Economic Chamber of Greece.

# **Prof. Nicholaos Farantouris**

Jean Monnet Professor of EU & Energy Law, University of Piraeus



Jean Monnet Professor of EU Energy Law at the International & European Studies Department, University of Piraeus, Greece. He studied law at the University of Athens and completed a Master's degree (MJur) in European and Comparative Law and a Doctorate (DPhil) in European Law, both at the University of Oxford. He has held posts as adjunct professor, research associate or visiting professor at Paris University, University of Rotterdam, Dresden University, Athens University, European University Cyprus, Bahçeşehir University Istanbul, Oxford University et al. He has worked in Goldman Sachs' Legal & Compliance Department in London and in Norton Rose LLP Competition & EU Law

Department in London, Brussels and Athens, where he handled major antitrust, merger control, multinational cartel and state aid cases in the banking, energy, maritime and air transport sectors, before national and international authorities, international arbitral tribunals, the EU Commission and the European Court. He has also gained experience as a Board member of Hellenic Competition Commission, a member of the Legal Committee of the Union of Greek Shipowners, a member of the Board of Directors and General Counsel of the Greek Gas Corporation (DEPA) S.A. and Chair of the Legal Affairs Committee of EUROGAS, the association of 45 energy companies in Brussels. He is a member of the Energy Committee of the Academy of Athens.

# **Dr. Konstantinos Filis**

#### **Director, Director of Research Institute of International Relations**



Dr Constantinos Filis has a solid international background. He also disposes a thorough teaching and research experience in national and in foreign (St Antony's College and South East European Studies of Oxford University) universities, delivering lectures in foreign distinguished universities (Harvard, London School of Economics). Apart from his academic experience, he also acquired practical knowledge on foreign policy, energy and security issues, having served in various positions: head of the state minister's policy planning division, chair of energy

committee between Greece and Israel, coordinator of energy affairs in the PM's Diplomatic Office, consultant to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and National Defense, the Ministry of Energy and the Ministry of Public Order. He is also Research Director of the Institute of International Relations, member in many foreign academic councils and institutes and a frequent author in Greek and foreign newspapers and journals. He is the writer of two books, titled "Refugees, Europe, Insecurity" and "Turkey, Islam, Erdogan" firstly published in 2017, by Papadopoulos Publications.

#### Ms. Tereza Fokianou

President & CEO, Flow Energy ans Environmental Operations SA, Member of the Board of Directors and Chairman of IENE's Upstream Committee, IENE



Mrs Fokianou is a graduate from the University of Athens with a degree in Geology and postgraduate studies at Imperial College. She has an academic experience and more than 25 years of executive management experience both in the Public and the Private Energy sector. She is cofounder and a member of the Board of the Institute of Energy of South East Europe (IENE).

Mrs Fokianou served as the Managing Director of the Public Petroleum Corporation – E&P for H/C (DEP-EKY) in Greece, and was responsible for

the 1st International Licensing Round in Greece in 1996, which was completed successfully in 1997.

Among others, Mrs Fokianou is an active member of the Association of International Petroleum Negotiators (AIPN), the Energy Institute of London and the Geological Society of Greece.

# **Dr. Nicholas Frydas**

CEng, MIET, MIAEE, Senior Energy Consultant, PPP and Corporate Transactions Advisory – ECA region,International Finance Corporation (World Bank Group),Member of the Board, IENE, Washington DC, USA



Dr Nick Frydas is a Senior Energy Consultant in the "Corporate Transaction Advisory" group of the International Finance Corporation (World Bank Group), where he is the global specialist for the Electricity Markets and Regulation. He is currently based in Belgrade leading IFC's activities in sustainable power project development in South East Europe and Central Asia. His transaction experience at IFC includes acting as the Project Manager of the Albanian Power Exchange and several RES projects in SEE. Before joining IFC, Nick was member of the management team of ENTSO-E in Brussels (2014-2016), serving as the Chairman of the Kosovo Energy Regulatory Office (2004-2007) and

working with leading European Energy Trading firms (EDF Trading and Merrill Lynch Commodities) in London (1998-2014). He holds a BSc in Electrical Engineering from Demokritio University in Greece, an MSc and PhD in Power Systems Engineering from Strathclyde University in Scotland and a MSc in Energy Economics and Regulation from London School of Economics. He is fluent in English and French and speaks basic German.

# Dr. Evgenia Giannini

Lawyer, E. Giannini Law Offices and Member of the BoD, IENE



Mrs Eugenia Giannini is an Attorney at Law, Member of the Athens Bar Association since 1991 as well as a member of the Association des Juristes de Droit Public Compare (Paris) since 1990 and of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (London). She graduated from the Law School of the University of Athens, concluded her traineeship at the Greek Council of the State (Supreme Administrative Court of Greece) and conducted her postgraduate studies on Comparative Public Law of the EU states at the Paris I – Pantheon Sorbonne University. She is an accredited arbitrator and mediator from the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (London) and

the Harvard Negotiation Institute. She is also member of the board of IENE and SPEF.

• **PhD Thesis** "The penetration of RES in the energy system of Greece and the Sustainability Principle". **Supervisors** Z.Maroulis Prof of Nat.Tech.University of Athens, A.Moropoulou Prof of Nat.Tech.University,G.Siouti Prof. National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

Thematic Units: Sustainability Principle, State Aid, Economic Incentives, RES Penetration Curve

# Mr. Dimitris Gontikas

**CEO**, Energean



Mr. Gontikas joined Energean in 2013 as Managing Director and Vice President and Managing Director of the Kavala Oil subsidiary. As of 1/1/2018, Mr. Gontikas is Energean's Vice President and CEO for all activities in Greece.

With over 25 years of senior management experience in the private and public sectors, Mr. Gontikas has successfully handled union issues as well as volatile shareholder situations.

He has served as President and CEO of Panathinaikos FC and held various administrative positions in the highly competitive media and communication market including Greek Television SA, NOVA / Supersport Channels, MACEDONIA TV, ANTENNA TV, BBDO and Mondial Promotions.

Before starting his career in media, Mr. Gontikas worked for five years as a legal advisor. He is a licensed attorney, holding a Law degree from Athens University and an LLM from Duke University, NC, USA.

# Ms. Liana Gouta

Group Director, Energy Policy and International Affairs, HELLENIC PETROLEUM SA



Liana is the Group Director of Energy Policy & International Affairs at HELLENIC PETROLEUM Group of Companies, and alternate Board member of the European Petroleum Refiners Association, with many years of ample experience in several Managerial positions in the petrochemical industry, such as Energy Policy, Change Management, Operations & Process Design, Product Development, Industrial Safety, Health and Environment (SHE) and Quality Management.

Also worked as a Parliamentary Advisor in European Parliament, on Industry, Energy, Environment & Regional Development (2005-

2007). Invited to represent Greece to the International Visitor Leadership Program of the US State Department (IVLP Alumni) on "Development of Green Technologies and Policies in the post-Carbon Age" (2009).

Socially engaged in Women Empowerment and President of Women Managers & Entrepreneurs-Macedonia Section of Hellenic Management Association (2011-2017). Founding member of the "iforU" initiative on women's entrepreneurship. Awarded by the Google Developers Group and the Women Techmakers Greece (global Google's initiative) for her support and contribution to have more Women in Technology (2018). Honored to be selected as one of the "Women Changing Greece" presented in the mini-documentary series of the US Embassy Athens and Huffington Post on the occasion of International Women's Day (2017), as part of the US State Department's global campaign #BeBoldForChange.

Invited twice by the US State Department to participate in the "Invest for the Future" initiative on Women's Leadership, in the region of Eurasia, SE Europe and the Balkans (Instanbul, Jan 2011 & Zagreb, Oct 2011).

Involved in professional Associations and elected in decision-making positions: Served as Vice president of the Hellenic Association of Chemical Engineers, Secretary General of the Association of Chemists in Industry, Board member of Technical Chamber, Vice President of the Hellenic Management Association-Macedonia sector, President of the Permanent Committee on Industry-Technical Chamber of Greece-Macedonia Branch. Served as President of Constantinos Karamanlis Institute for Democracy-Northern Greece Branch.

Speaker in numerous conferences with more than 300 articles and interviews in media (TV, radio, newspapers) on Energy, Environment, Growth & Competitiveness, Entrepreneurship, Women Empowerment. She holds a Chemical Engineering Degree with Honors (valedictorian), while she had many academic distinctions during her studies.

# Mr. Yannis Grigoriou

**CEO, Hellenic Petroleum, Upstream S.A.** 



Yannis is Mining Engineer (NTU of Athens, 1978) and Geophysicist (MSc Applied Geophysics, University of Leeds, UK, 1979) with 37 years' experience in oil and gas industry.

He began his carrier in 1982 at DEP S.A (State E&P Company) as geophysicist and gradually was developing as explorationist in upstream business undertaking also various managerial positions. Since 1998 he joined Hellenic Petroleum Group and as Dep. Manager of Group's Business Planning participated in numerous M&A corporate projects both in upstream and downstream sector

(amongst them Group IPOs, DEPA's acquisition, merge with Paneuropean Holdings, BP retail network acquisition in Cyprus, OKTA refinery acquisition etc).

In 2005 Yannis was appointed Business Development Manager for E&P of Hydrocarbons participating actively in the international growth of the company by forming more than 20 JVs with international oil companies, submitting offers in licensing rounds and acquiring explorations and production rights in Libya, Egypt, Albania and Montenegro where discovered more than 200 mln bbls. Currently he manages the E&P business of the Group, focusing in the Greek fast growing upstream market where Hellenic is building a promising portfolio of blocks, either as Operator or as partner international JVs (with Total, ExxonMobil, Repsol and Edison) mainly offshore and onshore in W. Greece.

During 1997 – 2003 he served as advisor to EU Commission in the energy sector. Yannis was also appointed member of BoD in Group's retail companies (Cyprus, Albania and Montenegro) and from 2015 onwards in Group's upstream affiliates.

# Mr. Kostas Hatzidakis

Minister of Environment and Energy, Ministry of Environment and Energy



Kostas Hatzidakis is the Minister of Environment and Energy, a Member of the Greek Parliament and the Vice President of the New Democracy Party.

He was born in Rethymno, Crete, in 1965. He studied at the Law School of the University of Athens and Political

Communication at the University of Kent. He speaks English and French.

He is a Member of the Greek Parliament since 2007.

He has served as President of the Youth Organization of the New Democracy (1992-1994), Member of the European Parliament (1994-2007), Minister of Transport (2007-2009) and Minister of Development (2012-2014).

## Ms. Irini lavovides

Head, Gas Networks' Unit, Regulatory Authority for Energy (RAE)



Irene lacovides is an economist and works at the Regulatory Authority for Energy as Head of the Natural Gas Networks Department.

Under her guidance and coordination, the regulatory framework regarding the liberalization of the gas retail and distribution market was finalized. She is currently working on preparation of the regulatory framework for all gas infrastructure projects in Greece (transmission systems, distribution networks, LNG

facilities, underground storage).

She holds a BSc in Economics from the University of Warwick and a MSc in Accounting & Finance from LSE. She has worked as an analyst at KPMG (London) and OTE International Investment (Athens).

#### Dr. George Ioannou

CEO, Energy Exchange Group



Dr. George Ioannou is the Chief Executive Officer of the Energy Exchange Group. He is also Professor of Operations Management at the Department of Management Science and Technology of the Athens University of Economics and Business (AUEB), and Director of the Management Science Laboratory of AUEB. He served as Director of the International MBA Program of AUEB and Assistant Professor at the Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering of Virginia Tech. He received his diploma in Mechanical Engineering from the National Technical University of Athens, and his M.Sc./DIC in Robotics and Automation from Imperial College, UK. He was a GRA at the Institute

for Systems Research (University of Maryland, USA) where he received his Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering. He is the recipient of the Microsoft Excellence in Education Award and has been honored with many Excellence Awards for his MBA courses and innovative developments. He was a member of the Board of Directors of Hellenic Railroads SA, of the Innovation Council at the Ministry of Development, of AUEB's Senate and of AmCham's Innovation Committee, and has served as Head of the Evaluation Committee of  $\Sigma YZEY \equiv I\Sigma$  II (Information Society SA), and Academic Coordinator of the Energy Club of AUEB's MBA International.

# Mr. Fadil Z. Ismajli

## Kryeshef Ekzekutiv / CEO, NKEC – New Kosovo Electric Corporation jsc, Kosovo



Fadil Ismajli is the CEO of New Kosovo Energy Corporation monitoring construction of 500MW coal fired PP. During 2015-2016 he worked with USAID as Executive Director of cross-border transmission project CASA-1000 (1300km AC/DC facility linking Central/South Asia).

In 2013 I have been appointed as Minister of Economic Development. During 2006-2013, CEO of KOSTT. 2005, led unbundling of KEK established Kosovo Electricity Transmission, System and Market Operator(KOSTT J.S.C.). 2003-2005, worked in private sector. 2001

Chairman of KEK. I commenced my career in Kosovo Energy Corporation(KEK) in 1999. Active participation in main regional and EU energy bodies. During the 90s, managed numerous projects in the private sector, both IT and energy. Graduated Economics - University of Prishtina, attended post-graduate studies in Economic Analyses with University of Zagreb, took numerous professional courses in Croatia, Switzerland, Germany, USA etc. Published a number of papers in the sphere of energy, economics and information technology

# **Mr. Elias Kakiopoulos**

# Secretary General Greek Association of Micro Hydro Power



Ilias Ap. Kakiopoulos was born in Athens in 1971. He is married and has 3 children. He graduated from the Mathematical Dept. in 1993, while he received his MBA degree from ALBA Business School with a Major in Finance in 1994 and his M.Sc. in Financial Analysis and Banking from the University of Piraeus in 2006. Ilias Ap. Kakiopoulos is fluent in English and understands French. In the past, he has been repeatedly awarded prizes from the Hellenic Mathematical Association (EME).

In the period from 1994 to 2005 he has worked in many positions at the Group of the Athens Stock and the Athens Derivatives Exchanges, developing new products, running combined IT and Finance projects, taking part in the initiation of the derivatives market in Greece and being responsible for the clearance of the derivatives trades at a market level. Moreover, he has worked in Insurance Companies at the Asset Management and Risk Management areas.

From 2005 until today, he is the major shareholder of Energiaki Drasi AVETE. The company owns, studies and develops Small Hydro Power Plants (SHPPs) and PV Solar Parks all over the Greece. In parallel, from 2005, he offers his services to big financial organizations.

From 2010 until today, he is elected General Secretary in the "Hellenic Small Hydro Association (HSHA)". Moreover, he is a member of the "Institute of Energy for S.E. Europe (IENE)", in the "Hellenic Mathematical Association (EME)", in the "Hellenic Cancer Society" and in the "ALBA Business School Alumni Association".

He has published many articles concerning both the production of energy through Small Hydro Power Plants and aspects that deal with Finance, while he is a frequent speaker in conferences that deal with energy topics.

# **Dr. Sotiris Kapellos**

# Secretary General, Hellenic Association of Photovoltaic Companies (HELAPCO)



Dr. Kapellos is a graduate of the Chemical Department of the University of Athens. He received a PhD on the field of Physical Chemistry from the same Institution. Between 1993 and 2007, he had the opportunity to fill various managerial posts within the BP Hellas Organization: Quality, Health, Safety and Environment, Human Resources, Customer Services, Pricing and Credit, Retail Fuels District

Manager Northern Greece.

In 2007, he is appointed as the CEO of BP Solar Hellas, to setup the new business.

Since 2010, he works for ELPE Renewables (100% owned by ELPE Group). He currently holds the position of the Operation and Development Director of the company, being a BoD member, at the same time. The current RES portfolio of ELPE Renewables is 530 MW of PV, 70 MW Wind and 15 MW Biomass, of which 19 MW PV and 6.8 MW wind in operation.

Dr.S.Kapellos has published several scientific articles in international magazines during his academic career and several articles on subjects related to RES, Solar Technology and Energy Policy for newspapers, relevant magazines and e-media.

Since 2008, he is being an elected member of the board of the Hellenic Association of PV companies (HELAPCO) and since April 2013 Chairman of the board of the Association. Linkedin Profile: <u>https://www.linkedin.com/in/sotkap/</u>

# Dr. Marika Karagianni

**Caspian Energy Expert, Democritus University of Thrace** 



Dr. Marika Karagianni is a legal and international relations expert, specialized on energy.

She holds a PhD on "The institutional aspects of off-shore hydrocarbons development in the Caspian Sea" from the Democritus University of Thrace and a Post- Doc on "The EU Southern Gas Corridor as an alternative to Russian gas supplies for Europe" from the University of Peloponnese. She has been trained on energy security at the Harvard

Kennedy School of Government- Energy Program, NATO SCHOOL OBERAMMERGAU, at the Diplomatic Academy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation with full scholarship and at the Baku Summer Energy School of Azerbaijan Diplomatic Academy.

She has served as special advisor on energy diplomacy and bilateral relations with Russia/ CIS to Ministers and Deputy Ministers of Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Republic (2000-2006) and is currently a permanent expert at the Hellenic Government Administration. She is a visiting lecturer and an external research fellow at the University of Thessaly-Department of Economic Studies and at the University of Peloponnese- Department of Political Science and International Relations. Also, a research associate at IENE (Institute of Energy of South Eastern Europe) and a member of the Hellenic Society of International Law and International Relations.

Author of the books: "Hydrocarbons: the contracts for offshore field development" (Nomiki Vivliothiki, 2018) and "Does Energy Cause Ethnic War? Eastern Mediterranean and Caspian Sea Natural Gas and Regional Conflicts", Andreas Stergiou- Marika Karagianni, Cambridge Publishing Scholars, London.

## Mr. Kyriakos Kenevezos

Ambassador, Embassy of Cyprus in Athens



He was born in Limassol in 1972. After his graduation from Lanitio Lyceum B, he served his military service, from 1989 to 1991, when he was discharged with the rank of Artillery Second Lieutenant Reserve of the Cyprus National Guard.

He graduated from the Law School of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens. During his undergraduate studies he actively participated in the Student Movement, as elected President of the Cyprus Democratic Party's student union, Anagenissis, in Athens, President of National Student Union of Cypriots in Athens (EFEK), as

well as President of the Pancyprian Federation of Student Unions (POFEN).

He graduated with distinction (9,65/10 – "Excellent") from the Postgraduate Program of Philosophy of the Faculty of Philosophy, Pedagogy and Psychology of the School of Philosophy of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

His graduate dissertation, titled "Rights, Ethical Theories and Bioethics", was approved with distinction (grade description "Excellent") by a three-member examining committee appointed by the Department of Philosophy of the Faculty of Philosophy, Pedagogy and Psychology of the School of Philosophy of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

Since 1st July 2014, he has assumed the duties of Ambassador of the Republic of Cyprus in Greece (Athens), with parallel diplomatic accreditations in Albania (Tirana) and Georgia (Tbilisi). Prior to his posting in Athens, in March 2013, he assumed office as Minister of Education and Culture of the Republic of Cyprus, a post he occupied until March 2014. During the period 1997 to 2013, he practiced law and in 2008 he founded his own law firm in Limassol, Cyprus.

For a number of years he served as Secretary General of the Cyprus Democratic Party (2007-2014), as well as Commissioner of Justice and Legal Affairs (2009-2014). He has been honored, among other distinctions, by municipalities, universities and organizations both in Cyprus and abroad. He is an honorary citizen of Chios and Oinousses Municipalities.

He is a Ph.D. candidate of the Faculty of Philosophy, Pedagogy and Psychology of the School of Philosophy of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens. The topic of his Doctoral Thesis is: "The Political Philosophy of International Relations in the Eastern Mediterranean".

His research interests include the Ethics of Law, in general, Philosophy and International Relations (Ph.D. c. In International Ethics: Philosophy and Public Affairs) in particular, and specifically, the issues related to Political Philosophy, Politics and Ethics in International Relations and International Law, the role of international institutions and historical international interventions in the Eastern Mediterranean region.

He has attended and participated in series of lectures organized by the Open University of Cyprus, the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, the University of Peloponnese and

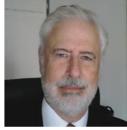
the Nomiki Vivliothiki S.A., the largest legal publishing house in Greece. He has been invited as guest speaker to a number of conferences, workshops and seminars in politics, political and related fields. He is particularly interested and addresses the major issues of Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and the various aspects of the Cyprus Problem in the international and internal political stage.

His articles have been included in national and foreign scientific volumes, as well as in domestic academic journals, while he regularly writes for the daily and weekly press.

# **Mr. Elias Konofagos**

**Executive Vice President, Flow Energy SA** 

Education: E.P.F.L. Chemical Engineer, Phd (Docteur d' Etat es Ssciences) on Oil & Gas Production, I.F.P. Petroleum Economics & Greek Eisenhower Fellow



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Dr. Elias Konofagos is actually working as Executive Vice President of FLOW Energy S.A. providing between others high level E&P consulting services. He started his career with Elf Acquitaine (North Sea Heimdal Gas Field Development), then joined Successively Mobil North Sea in Stavanger (Statfjord-B Oil & Gas Field), Public Petroleum Corporation of Greece S.A. (Supervision of Prinos Oil Field & South

Kavala Gas Field Developmets), Public Petroleum Corporation Exploration & Production S.A. (Execution of the First Licensing Round in Greece), Hellenic Petroleum S.A. (acting as international E&P General Director). He has an extensive Worldwide Oil & Gas Exploration-Production experience in Managing E&P assets, creating Value & improving business performance.

He has a wide experience record having worked on Offshore & Onshore Exploration in Greece, International Offshore & Onshore Exploration & Production, Licencing Rounds in Greece & Abroad, Offshore & Onshore Fields Development, Asset evaluations and Data Rooms:

Elias Konofagos is a member of the International Association of Eisenhower Fellows, International Association of Energy Economics (I. A. E. E.), Greek Association of French Petroleum Institute (I.F.P.), Hellenic Mineral Wealth Association, Hellenic Polytechnic Association

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# Mr. Antonis Kontoleon

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Education:

• Diploma Mechanical- Electrical engineer NTUA, 1979.

Professional (1982 – today):

 Heracles Cement Company (1982-2012), Maintenance and New projects Manager (1989-2008), Energy Director (2006-2012)

- Board Member (2010- today)
- SIDENOR S.A, Energy consultant (2012-today)

## **Prof.** Panagiotis Ktenidis

Soft Energy Applications and Environmental Protection Laboratory, University of West Attica



#### Panagiotis (aka Takis) Ktenidis

M.Sc. Mechanical & Electrical Engineer. He graduated from National Technical University of Athens and received a Scholarship in Von Karman Institute, Brussels -Postgraduate Research in Fluids-, with research on **"Rotating Stall on Axial Compressors"** applied in aircraft compressor engines. He is the founder of the **EFOP NGO-NPO** and acted also as New Technologies Consultant and Project

Manager of Large-Scale Projects for local communities. He worked as member of the team of an innovative design of a **PV Tracker** certified and installed on a large application base. He coworked for an *international patent* applied in a "**Method and mechanism for supersonic separation of droplets from gas stream**".

He acted as the Chair of the BRIDGE **European Commission Initiative** Working Group on Regulations and the subgroup Energy Islands Issues. He is presently working for the Lab of Soft Energy Applications & Environmental Protection, University of West Attica (**UNIWA**), as Research Management Team Member and Postgraduate Research Dissertations Coordinator. He is a member of the Management Team of the training programme on the Energy Performance of Buildings, a contributor in the **Greek National Building Renovation long-term strategy investments**; and a member of the **TILOS H2020 local storage** smart grid-island research and demonstration project **twice awarded in 2017** team and **PHAROS** composing an integrated planning tool for small and medium size Aegean Sea Islands.

He has also worked for CRISP FP7 project doing research on **socio-technical transition and innovation pathways**.

At present, he coordinates the working task force of UNIWA for **methodological assessment of regional energy poverty alleviation** in municipalities of West and wider Attica Region.

He also is the Project Manager of "Learning how to Save Energy at Home", Educational Programme for Elementary Schools of West Attica, in collaboration with the Greek Public Power Corporation, 2019.

#### Mr. Panagiotis Ladakakos

President, Hellenic Wind Energy Association (HWEA)



Mr. Panagiotis Ladakakos is President of the Hellenic Wind Energy Association (HWEA) and Managing Director in companies of the ENTEKA Group. He has a degree in Electrical Engineering from the National Technical University of Athens and specializes in Renewable Energy Systems and Electrical Networks. During the last 25 years, he managed the Development, Construction and Operation of a large portfolio of windfarms and photovoltaic plants in Greece working in close collaboration with large multinational firms. He is also investor in several renewable projects.

Mr. Ladakakos possesses valuable research experience during his Ph.D. studies in the Department of Electrical & Computer Engineering of NTU Athens and his activities as a Research & Development engineer for the Greek Center for Renewable Energy Sources (CRES) and in the Renewables Department of the Public Power Corporation where he worked in the first years of his career. He has also studied Economics and Marketing in the Department of Operational Research & Marketing of the Athens Economics University.

# Dr. Vassiliki Lazarakou

Chairman & CEO, Hellenic Capital Markets Commission (HCMC)



Dr Lazarakou is the Chair of the Hellenic Capital Markets Commission (HCMC). She has a Doctorate in Law (JSD) from New York University School of Law, New York, U.S.A. and her Doctoral thesis was on "Greek privatizations in International Perspective". She also has an LLM in International Legal Studies from New York University School of Law and Bachelor in Law from the Athens University, School of Law.

She is a lawyer admitted at both the Athens Bar and the New York Bar Association with expertise on capital markets, M&As, privatizations, corporate and commercial law and other similar issues. She has worked for more than 20 years as a Partner at several law firms and for more than 10 years she was heading the relevant Banking, Capital Markets and Finance Department of such Firms. From September 2012 until December 2015 she was also a First Vice-Chair of the HCMC and an alternate member of BoS.

#### **Mr. Stelios Loumakis**

President, Hellenic Association of Photovoltaic Energy Producers (SPEF)



Born in Athens he graduated Chemical Engineer, National Technical University of Athens (NTUA), in 1992. At postgraduate level he has been awarded the degree of Master of Business Administration (MBA) from Portsmouth University of U.K. At present he is PhD Candidate NTUA elaborating a doctoral thesis in the field of Electricity Market Operation. Furthermore, he has attended dozens of seminars and courses in technical, financial and managerial field while many of them related to photovoltaic technology and PV plant design. He is a member of TEE (Technical Chamber of Greece) since 1993 and he made his military service in the Hellenic Navy.

He started his professional career at late '80s in parallel with his studies in the family business, for decades involved in exports of garments to the European markets. During '90s he developed a new department trading OTC para-pharmaceuticals, diagnostic tests and health products both in Greece and Cyprus. Later on, he worked for five years as an executive in Marketing and Sales in the leading multinational company Sara Lee Household & Body Care Hellas AE and later to the Greek industrial bread and food company Karamolegos AE. Back in business he was involved for five years in the rapidly expanding sector of organized bread and food retail in co-operation with the food and bread industrial company Katselis ABEE. In 2006 he entered the field of power generation through photovoltaic (PV) technology. He pioneered in Greece developing centralized PV plants. His company's first centralized PV plant was one of the first of its kind in the country and was connected to the grid in April 2008.

Overall he enjoys valuable business, engineering, consulting and arbitration experience in the field of wholesale electricity market and renewables (indicative clientele SPI Energy, EYDAP, Interphoton Group, EasyPower a.o.) and is the President of the Hellenic Association of Photovoltaic Energy Producers (www.spef.gr) since December 2011. SPEF is the official business and scientific association founded in 2009 that represents in Greece power generating organizations from PVs. Due to this role he enjoys extensive experience and presence with articles, technical studies, law proposals, participation in public consultations and speeches in several highly esteemed conferences local and abroad. During 2014-2017 he has been an active member of ACCI (Athens Chamber of Commerce and Industry) Business Angels Network, supporting business development in several other sectors.

#### **Mr. Stavros Lygeros**

#### Journalist, Author and Director, SL Press



Stavros Lygeros is a journalist and author. He studied Mathematics at the University of Athens and continued his post-graduate studies in International Relations and International Economics at Ecole des Hautes Etudes in Paris, France.

As a student he was a member of the Coordinating Committee of the uprising at the National Technical University of Athens in November 1973.

Stavros Lygeros has authored 13 books, written for countless collective volumes and has written for dozens of papers regarding international relations, European affairs, as well as, the domestic and foreign policies of Greece.

Finally, Stavros Lygeros has worked at newspapers, radio stations and television stations. During the 1989-2012 period he was the Politics & Diplomacy Editor for the largest newspaper in Greece, Kathimerini. Today, he is Editor-in-Chief of online news platform, which he founded, SLpress.gr and continues to appear as a commentator for the television station Open TV.

## Mr. Manousos Manousakis

#### **Chairman & CEO, Independent Power Trnsmission Operator (IPTO)**



Manos Manousakis is the Chairman of the Board of Directors and the Chief Executive Officer of Independent Power Transmission Operator (IPTO or ADMIE) since June 2017. In 2019, he was elected Member of the Board of Directors of the European Network of Transmission System Operators (ENTSO-E).

Previously, Mr. Manousakis was the CEO of OTE Rural North and South, having held various positions of responsibility in the Greek Telecommunications Company, where he played an instrumental role

in the design of cutting-edge telecommunication services. He was appointed Secretary General of the Hellenic Ministry of Economy (2015), as well as a Director at Black Sea Trade and Development Bank for the same period.

Mr Manousakis holds a PhD in Electrical Engineering from the National Technical University of Athens. He has also academic experience having been a lecturer at the University of Piraeus. His career combines business development leadership and complex project management with country strategic planning.

#### Mr. Kieran McNamara



Kieran McNamara is a senior energy analyst in the IEA's Directorate of Sustainability, Technology and Outlooks. As part of the World Energy Outlook team, he contributes the development of the energy efficiency, renewables and electricity outlooks. Previously, Kieran was a senior analyst in the Directorate for Energy Markets and Security with responsibility for energy policy reviews of IEA member countries. Prior to joining the IEA, he worked with the Commission for Regulation of Utilities in Ireland.

# Mr. Dimitris Mezartasoglou

Head of Research, IENE



Dimitrios is currently Head of Research at the Institute of Energy for South-East Europe (IENE), in Athens. He has full exposure across the energy sector specifically for Greece/SE Europe. Whilst at IENE, Dimitrios has been part of a variety of projects, including:

1. **SE Europe Energy Outlook 2016/2017** focusing on the European Union and Greece (the project involved: energy policy, energy security, country energy surveys, legal framework, regional economic issues, sectorial analysis and energy investment outlook).

2. The **Greek Energy Directory 2016** which describes the current state of Greece's energy sector for all the forms of energy separately and also projects an outlook of likely developments in the years ahead.

In parallel, Dimitrios works as an external freelance analyst at BMI Research (A FitchGroup Company), London where he analyses the transport and energy infrastructure sectors, as well

as the construction industries of several European countries. Dimitrios holds two Master's degrees from the University of Strathclyde on Global Energy Management and from the University of Exeter on Money and Banking.

# Mr. Aleksandar Mijuskovic

Advisor to the Executive Director, SEE CAO



Mr. Aleksandar Mijuskovic, electrical engineer, is Advisor to Executive Director of a Coordinated Auction Office in South East Europe (SEE CAO) since May 2019. He was Executive Director of SEE CAO (2014 – 2019) as a logical sequel of his important role on various positions from Chairman of SEE CAO Project Team Steering Committee to Executive Director (2012 - 2014) of the Project Team Company in Charge of Establishing a Coordinated Auction Office in SEE.

Prior to SEE CAO, he was working for Montenegrin TSO (CGES) since 1995, and last position he was covering was the Director of Department for Regulatory, Legal, Personnel and International Affairs. While working in National Dispatcher Centre for many years, he gained valuable experience in running the system in difficult condition of poor connectivity with the neighbouring transmission systems.

He was a member of SEETSO TF (SEE Transmission System Operator Task Force) which was in charge of developing methodologies for transits, congestions and establishing balancing market since 2003 until SEETSO TF transforming in ENTSO-E. He was a member of ENTSO-E Market Committee and ENTSO-E Regional Group South East Europe. He was one of initiators of project for undersea cable interconnection between Montenegro and Italy, and member of Montenegrin team for negotiations with TERNA (Italian TSO).

As a member of Montenegrin Delegation he took part in three meetings of the plenary subcommittee and sector meeting of the enhanced permanent dialogue between European Commission and Montenegro on transport, energy, environmental and regional policy. He participated in all Athens Forums since 2003.

As an associate member of Institute of Energy for South East Europe (IENE) he speaks in SEE Energy Dialogues since 2007. He has very good cooperation with power systems organizations and companies from the region, as well as with the international financial institutions. He participated as a speaker in numerous workshops, seminars and conferences all around Europe.

# Ms. Irini Nikolaou

Policy Officer, DG Climate Action, European Commission, Unit B2 – ETS Implementation & IT



Ms. Irini Nikolaou holds a Diploma in Forestry Engineering from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece (1994). She also has a Master of Science Degree in forestry management from the University of Aberdeen, Scotland (1998).

From 2002 until 2015, she worked in public administration focusing on the funding of forest services through public investment programs, and the preparation and management of European and national projects. She has represented Greece in both international and European expert groups relevant to climate change and forestry issues. As UNFCCC National Focal Point and acting as Head of Unit for the Emission Trading System (ETS), she successfully completed work on the first Commitment Period of the Kyoto Protocol and the Greek Presidency of the Council of the EU, as well as the establishment of free allocation rules for the third trading period of the ETS.

Ms. Nikolaou has been working on ETS implementation in the Directorate-General for Climate Action of the European Commission since December 2015. During this time, she has been fully engaged in the preparation and drafting of the Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) 2019/331 and the Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/1842 on free allocation rules for the fourth trading period.

# **Dr. Ntinos Nikolaou**

## Technical Advisor, ENERGEAN Oil & Gas, Member of the Board, IENE



Dr. Nikolaou started his career in the sector of Exploration and Production of Hydrocarbons in 1976, from the then Public Petroleum Corporation of Greece (DEP SA). In 1998 DEP SA was renamed to Hellenic Petroleum SA. He has served as exploration manager of DEP SA for Western Greece and then as Technical Director of the Exploration and Production division of Hellenic Petroleum SA. He has managed and supervised exploration and production projects in Greece, Libya, Egypt, Albania, Montenegro and the East Mediterranean and coordinated the evaluation of several business opportunities in more than 25 countries. He was also simultaneously

appointed by the Board of Directors as Managing Director of the Athens/Attika Gas Distribution Company (2004-2006), which was affiliate company of the group of Hellenic Petroleum SA.

He has also served as advisor to Ministers of Development, Industry, Energy and Technology (1991-1993) and (2004-2006). From 1991 until 1993 Dr Nikolaou was also appointed as Secretary of the National Energy Committee of Greece.

In September 2009 Dr. Nikolaou resigned from Hellenic Petroleum SA and established the consulting company Kanergy Ltd, which provides technical consulting services to various oil companies interested in Greece, Cyprus, North Africa and the East Mediterranean region. Kanergy collaborated with Spectrum GEO ltd, Arctic Hunter, Grekoil and Energean Oil & Gas. From 2009 until today Dr Nikolaou provides services as Technical Advisor to Energean Oil & Gas, which is the only producing oil and gas company in Greece. Energean Oil & Gas has E-P portfolio in the Thracian Sea, Western Greece (Ioannina, Aitoloakarnania and Katakolo), Egypt, Montenegro and Israel.

In March 2014 the Government of the Republic of Cyprus appointed Dr Nikolaou as a member of the Board of Directors of the Cyprus Hydrocarbons Company (CHC).

Dr. Nikolaou is a member of the American Association of Petroleum Geologists (AAPG), the Geological Society of Greeceand the Greek Geotechnical Chamber. He is also co-founder and member of the Board of Directors of the Institute of Energy of SE Europe (IENE). He holds a BSc in Geology from the University of Athens (1970-1974) and a PhD in Petroleum Geology from the same University (1981-1986).

# Mr. Vasili Nicoletopoulos

## Founder, Natural Resources PC



Mr V. Nicoletopoulos is the founder of Natural Resources PC, a consulting company specializing in the mining and energy industries. Currently, he is also Director of international development and sales, Premier Magnesia LLC, USA, member of the board of Directors, Itamos Hydroelectric S.A., Member, Advisory Board on Energy & Power, Vectors LLC, Delaware USA and Advisor, NONSPACES start-up.

He has previously held significant leadership, management and board positions in mining and energy companies and business associations in Europe and the US, including Euromines, Grecian Magnesite,

Magnesitas Navarras, Premier Magnesia and Hellenic Petroleum. Vasili also authored three books and several booklets and articles in Greek and international journals and financial newspapers. He has lectured in many countries on industrial, commercial and sustainability topics and is organizing yearly Climate Change Policies and Business conferences.

# **Mr. Gus Papamichalopoulos**

Partner, KG Law Firm, Deputy Chairman, Institute of Energy for SE Europe (IENE)



Gus heads the Energy, Infrastructure and Utilities Practice Group. His main area of expertise is on the energy industry and he has been involved in the liberalization of the Greek electricity market and gas market. Due to the complexity of the issues associated with the electricity market regulations he advises on major regulatory issues of the electricity, natural gas and RES market.

As a business lawyer focusing on the energy sector, key international

energy companies investing in Greece have mandated Gus in the early stages of their investment program for the implementation of important energy projects (infrastructure projects such as oil and gas investments, the licensing and development of gas pipelines, the establishment of power generation plants, wind parks, low pressure gas distribution networks, etc). Another element of his practice is the public sector-privatization projects, in which he has acted for both the Greek State and the private sector (e.g. privatization of State-owned companies, concession agreements, public private partnerships relating to parking stations, toll roads, etc). Project finance is a strong section of his practice, since major local financial and credit institutions and private equity funds are instructing the team for the financing of energy infrastructure projects. Gus also serves as one of the managing partners of KG Law Firm, has acted as co-chair of SEE LEGAL Group for two years and currently serves as Deputy Chairman of the Institute of Energy of South East Europe (IENE).

# **Practice Areas:**

Corporate Law Energy, Natural Resources and Utilities Public Law – Environmental Law Public Sector Projects

# **Quotes & Awards**

Gus Papamichalopoulos is ranked as a leading lawyer in the IFLR1000. Gus Papamichalopoulos is ranked as a leading lawyer in Chambers & Partners Europe and Chambers & Partners Global. "This "world-class team" of energy specialists receives extremely high praise from clients for its skills in regulation and negotiation. With a wealth of experience in this sector, the firm provides prompt delivery and a "wonderfully professional and hugely practical" service. Gus Papamichalopoulos is regarded as an energy pioneer who possesses an intimate knowledge of the regulatory framework". "Gus Papamichalopoulos remains a "well-respected and wellknown" energy practitioner, with many peers placing him at the top of the market".

Professional Associations: Member of the American Bar Association (1998), Member of the Athens Bar Association since (1991), Member of the International Bar Association (1995), Member of the Board and Deputy Chairman of IENE

Education: Aristotelian University of Thessaloniki (LL.B) , Languages: Greek and English

# Mr. Yannis Papanicolaou

**Economist, Business Consultant** 



Yiannis Papanicolaou is an economist. Since 2004 he has been employed as an economic adviser in Greece and abroad. He has also served as Chairman, Deputy Chairman or member of the Board of Directors of several companies

From 1998 to 2004, Mr. Papanicolaou was the Director General of the International Center for Black Sea Studies the think-tank of the Black Sea Economic Organization. Prior to that, Mr. Papanicolaou had a

career in government where he served, among other positions, as Chief Economic Advisor to the Prime Minister of Greece and Director of his Economic Cabinet and Chairman of the Council of Economic Advisors to the Ministry of National Economy. He started his professional carreer as a Lecturer in Economics at the London School of Economics and at the Queen Mary College (London University).

Mr. Papanicolaou has studied economics at the National University of Athens (1<sup>ST</sup> class Honors Degree in Economics) and the London School of Economics (M.Sc.Econ with Distinction) Currently he is actively involved with the establishment of an International Network of Hellenism to be launched next year ,which will operate under the aegis of the President of the Hellenic Republic and will comprise of distinguished Greeks , prominent members of the Hellenic Diaspora as well as top philhellenes.

# **Dr. Nikos Pasadakis**

School of Mineral Resources Engineering, Director of Institute of Petroleum Research, Technical University of Crete, Foundation for Research and Technology (FORTH)



Dr. Nikos Pasadakis is the Director of the Institute of Petroleum Research of the Foundation for Research and Technology-Hellas (IPR-FORTH) and Professor at the Technical University of Crete. He is also the Director of the postgraduate course "Petroleum Engineering" in the School of Mineral Resources Engineering. His main research interests include the analysis and characterization of fossil fuels in exploration, production and environmental

assessment. He has published a book in Petroleum Geochemistry and more than 120 works in peer-reviewed international journals and conferences, related to petroleum science and engineering. He was coordinator and/or main researcher in more than 30 projects, funded by European and Greek governmental bodies and petroleum companies.

# **Mr. Alexandros Perellis**

**Research Associate, IENE** 



Alexandros Perellis is IENE's full time researcher focusing on electricity. He is an Industrial Engineer (DUTH) holding an MSc degree in Sustainable Energy Engineering from the Technical University of Denmark. He has developed, through his education, strong skills in carrying out studies related to solar energy systems, modeling and analysis of energy systems, feasibility studies of energy projects, energy efficiency and inclimate. As a graduate student, he participated in the TOPWASTE project in collaboration with the Risø DTU research center, where he contributed to the development of the OptiWaste

optimization model, which manages large-scale waste stream optimization and energy problems and can be integrated into other energy management optimization tools.

Alexandros joined Institute in November 2017. He is responsible for the publication of "Electric Mobility Update" (bimonthly Newsletter of IENE) and participates in the elaboration of the Institute's research projects with main focus on RES and sustainability.

He is the main author of IENE's recent study "Prospects for the Electric Vehicle Market in Greece and Business Opportunities".

# **Mr. Andreas Petropouleas**

Studies:

Director of Energy Management, ELPEDISON, Chairman of Electricity Committee, IENE



MSc in Finance & Banking Athens University of Economics and Business (AUEB), MSc in Electrical Power Engineering University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology (UMIST), BSc & MSc in Electrical and Computer Engineering Democritus University of Thrace (DUTH),

Since February 2010 he works at ELPEDISON S.A. (Joint Venture of EDISON SpA & HELLENIC PETROLEUM S.A.) as its Energy Management Director. In this context he is in charge of the management of the commercial operation & economic optimisation of the current asset infrastructure (Two Power Plants of 830MW installed capacity), the management of the Dispatching Team/Strategy, together with the management of Natural Gas wholesale activity as well as the Cross Border Activity (IT, South East Europe) & CFDs.

From June 2005 to January 2010 he was Commercial Manager of ELPEDISON Power S.A. (Former: Thessaloniki Power S.A). He was responsible for the commercial organization and business development of the first IPP, 400MW CCGT, in Greece.

From January 2003 until June 2005 he worked in the Hellenic Transmission System Operator (HTSO) as a *Senior Energy Analyst* in the Power Exchange Department responsible for wholesale and retail market measurements.

*From June 2001 until January 2003* he was Project Engineer of TITAN Cement S.A. with responsibilities involving system studies, design and project management of new projects of the TITAN Cement factories in Greece and abroad.

*From November 1999 until June 2001 he worked in* ALSTOM (Greek Branch) as a Sales Engineer. His responsibilities involved promotion of Power Generation and T&D products like: Medium voltage Indoor and outdoor Switchgear for primary and secondary distribution, Distribution and Power transformers, M.V & H.V Substations. Furthermore, was responsible for the after sales service and customer care of MV & HV transformers.

He served as Member of the Transmission and Distribution Networks committee of National Technical Chamber (TEE) of Greece (2005 -2008)

He contributed in the Master Plan research into the International airports of Corfu in cooperation with the Spiekermann GMBH (consulting engineers). (1999)

He worked for the Business Plan of the Ithaca Airport in cooperation with the Spiekermann GMBH (consulting engineers). (2001)

He worked at M.A.K as Energy Systems Engineer participated in electrical-mechanical studies with a total budget of *1.000.000 Euro*. (1998-1999)

# Ms. Sofia Politopoulou

Director of the Regulatory Division, Hellenic Electricity Distribution Network Operator S.A. (HEDNOMember of BoD, IENE



# 2012-today: *Director of the Regulatory Branch* of the Hellenic Electricity Distribution Network Operator

Processing Regulatory topics such as: The overall coordination of the adjustment of the Company's Units in the regulatory framework and the compliance with the respective current Compliance Program. Following international regulatory practices and trends in order to configure Company's positions and develop an appropriate strategy and targets on regulatory issues.

2015-2018: Eurelectric

2017-2018: Chair of "Distribution Network G-Charges Project" 2015-2018: Chair of "WG Distribution Regulation & Policy"

# 1991-2011: Public Power Corporation

*Various positions:* Director of the Environment Branch of the Strategy Dept, Responsible for CSR of PPC and the first CSR report according to GRI. Director of the Strategy & Business Plan Branch,

Assistant Director of the Strategy & Planning Dept. of PPC, Section Head /Engineer

Mainly dealing with topics such as: The development of a 5-year PPC's Environmental Plan, Managing the Projects: "PPC's Strategy Plan". "PPC Business Plan", and "PPC New Corporate Structure", Energy Market Analysis, Exploring opportunities for corporate expansion in SE Europe, Regulatory and legal aspects concerning the energy market, etc

**2009- 2011:** Liaison Delegator of PPC in *World Business Council for Sustainable Development* (WBCSD).

2004-2006: Country Representative in OECD's «Project Cost of Generating Electricity»

**2018- today:** Member of the Distributions & Facilitator Market Committee Eurelectric **2019-today:** IENE Member of BoD

2018-today Member in Distribution & Market Facilitator Committee

#### **Recent Publications CIRED:**

Innovation incentives for DSOs - a must in the new energy market development 2017 Non-technical losses: detection methods and regulatory aspects overview 2017

#### **Education:**

Master in Business Administration DIPLOMA in ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING (NTUA) 1989

#### Mr. George Polychroniou

Executive Director, Strategy, Business Development, Administration & IT, & Corporate Secretary, Public Gas Corporation of Greece (DEPA) S.A.



Born in 1963 in Athens, George Polychroniou graduated from "Lycee Leonin" Franco-Hellenic high school, Nea Smyrni in 1981 and then earned a degree in Chemical Engineering from the National Technical University of Athens (NTUA) in 1986. He completed his studies at the Federal Polytechnic School of Lausanne (EPFL) and obtained his Master's of Science degree in Energy Systems with a specialisation in Economics in 1994.

After beginning his professional career in the private sector, he joined the then newly established DEPA in the beginning of 1989. After having

successfully served in various capacities and roles within the commercial arm of DEPA, he was appointed General Manager of the Commercial Branch in 2004, General Manager of Commercial, Financial and Administration in 2005, Chief Operating Officer in 2007 and Head of Strategy and Corporate Development in 2010. Since April 2016 he has been Executive Director of Strategy, Business Development, Administration and IT.

Since December 2014 he has been Corporate Secretary of DEPA. Mr. Polychroniou has considerable hands on experience with energy planning, commercial framework and pricing of energy resources and issues relating to the new legal and regulatory framework for the liberalisation of energy markets.

## HE Ms. Zhang Qiyue

Ambassador, People's Republic of China in the Hellenic Republic



Ambassador Zhang Qiyue is a career diplomat with rich experience in multilateral and bilateral diplomatic affairs. She has previously served as Ambassador to the Kingdom of Belgium, Ambassador to the Republic of Indonesia, and Consul General (Ambassador-level) of the Chinese Consulate General in New York respectively.

She started her diplomatic career in 1982, working for the United Nations Secretariat in its headquarters in New York and Geneva. Her work experience also includes Minister of the Chinese Permanent

Mission to the United Nations in New York.

From 1998 to 2004, she served as Spokesperson of Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA) as well as Deputy Director General of the Information Department, MFA. From 2012 to 2014 she served as Director General of the Department for Chinese Diplomatic Missions Abroad, MFA.

Ambassador Zhang Qiyue graduated from Beijing Foreign Studies University. She is married, with one son.

She has assumed the post of Ambassador of the People's Republic of China to the Hellenic Republic from August 2018.

# **Dr Vassilis Rallis**

## Independent Energy Advisor



Vasilis Rallis is an Energy and Business Development expert, focusing on Energy Efficiency, Renewables and Fintech. Previously he was an Economist at Greek Regulatory Authority of Energy (RAE) responsible for issues concerning financing and liquidity of the market, creation and implementation of the Energy Exchange & Clearing, Supervision. He has also managed various large scale projects with multiple stakeholders on the Electricity and Natural Gas Markets and participated in the Target Model Task Group. In the past he has worked in Greek and foreign

multinational companies in Greece and Great Britain. He holds an MBA (Alliance Manchester Business School), an Economics Degree (Athens University of Economics and Business -former ASOEE) and the Global Energy Certificate (Harvard Business School).

# Ms Alexandra Sdoukou

Secretary General for Energy & Mineral Resources, Ministry of Environment and Energy



Alexandra Sdoukou is a lawyer, permanent employee at the Management Organisation Unit of Development Programmes (MOU S.A.) under the Ministry of Economy and Development. Since 2004, she is working as legal advisor in the public administration in various positions at the Ministries of Economy, Development and Environment, Energy & Climate Change.

She has been specialised as energy policymaker, working with all Energy Ministers from 2007 to 2015. From 2012 to 2015, she was Head of

Cabinet at the Minister of Environment, Energy & Climate Change, competent to develop policy formulation, implementation and monitoring on a wide range of energy and environmental projects.

From October 2017, she was Advisor to the President of Nea Dimokratia on energy and natural resources.

Alexandra holds a Bachelor of Law degree from Democritus University of Thrace, a Master's Degree LLM in European Commercial Law from the University of Bristol U.K., a M.Sc. in International & Economic studies from the Athens University of Economics and Business and

a Diploma from the Executive Program of Leading, Innovating and Negotiation of Harvard University, Kennedy School of Government.

## Mr. Iraklis Skoteinos

Director, Directorate of Market Management, Independent Power Trnsmission Operator (IPTO)



Iraklis Skoteinos holds a Bachelor of Science in Electrical and Computer Engineering, a Master's Degree in Energy: Strategy, Law & Economics and a Master of Business Administration. He has worked as a research associate at the Electrical Systems Laboratory of School of Electrical and Computer Engineering in National Technical University of Athens under Dr. N. Hatziargyriou and he has participated in various European projects (Microgrids, IRENE-40, MERGE, etc.). He has worked as an energy trader and as an energy manager at the Department of Energy Management and Trading of PPC SA. He was also a founding member of Volton SA, an energy

supply and trading company in Greece, in which he worked as Head of Energy. Currently he works at the Independent Power Transmission Operator of Greece as Director of the Market Management Department. He is member of the Market Committee of ENTSO-E and member of SEE CAO. His interests are electricity markets, market regulation and environmental issues.

# **Mr. Nicholas Sofianos**

# Member of the BOD and Chairman of IENE's RES Committee , IENE



**Nikolaos Sofianos** worked for IENE for ten years (2007 - 2017) firstly as a Researcher and later as Research Coordinator of the Institute. He is a graduate of the department of History and Philosophy of Science of the National Kapodistrian University of Athens while he holds a master's degree in Economic Development from the University of Glasgow in Scotland. He has carried out extensive research into Renewable Energy Sources and their implementation in SE Europe. He was the Coordinator of the EU funded research

project Geofar. His main area of interest is energy policy issues. He participates as a publishing assistant in the "Energy Issues" (IENE Monthly Newsletter) and in the "SE Europe Energy Brief" (a series of newsletters issued by the Institute). In addition, he has written many articles on energy while he has participated as a speaker at numerous conferences, seminars and workshops in Greece and abroad. Since 2016, he participates in the Board of IENE as a partner. Finally, he is currently a permanent external research associate, regularly contributing to the analysis of energy market issues.

#### **Mr. Costis Stambolis**

#### **Chairman & Executive Director, IENE**



Costis Stambolis is the current chairman and the Executive Director of IENE. He is also a member of the standing committee on Energy and Climate (ESEK) which is the foremost energy policy group of the Greek government. Has a background in Physics and Architecture having studied at the University of London, the North East London Polytechnic (NELP) and the Architectural Association in London from where he holds a Graduate Diploma in Architecture and Energy Studies (AA Dip. Grad). He also holds a professional practice license from the Technical Chamber of Greece (TEE), and a Masters Degree from the Said Business School, University of Oxford, where he studied "Strategy and Innovation".

Costis has carried out numerous studies and projects on Renewable Energy Sources in developing countries. He has consulted widely on solar building applications for both private and institutional clients in various European countries. He has worked as a consultant and strategy advisor on natural gas, oil markets and energy security issues for large multinational companies and international organizations.

Costis has lectured widely on energy issues and has organised several national, regional and international conferences, seminars and workshops. He has pursued a parallel career as a specialized technical writer as for many years he was Athens correspondent for the Financial Times Newsletters and the Athens Daily "Kathimerini". He coordinated the introduction of the highly successful joint FTSE/ASE-20 index in the Athens Stock Exchange (1997/1998). He has edited several books, conference proceedings and has published many research papers and studies on energy policy, solar energy, RES and energy markets. "The Greek Energy Directory" (1984, 2016), "The Greek Energy Market" (2001) and the "S.E. Europe Energy Outlook 2011" and "SEE Energy Outlook 206/17", all edited by Costis, are considered basic references on energy policy and energy applications in Greece and SE Europe.

Since 2001 he supervises and edits daily Greece's foremost energy sitewww.energia.gr. He is a founding member of the Institute of Energy for South East Europe (IENE), where he has been elected three times as its Chairman (2003, 2005, 2019). He is a member of the Energy Institute (UK), the International Passive House Association (IPHA), The Technical Chamber of Greece (TEE) and the Chartered Institute of Journalists (UK).

# Mr. Panagiotis Stamoulis

Market Director Southern EU, Fluence Energy GmbH



Brings 15 years of Siemens experience in traditional Medium Voltage substation business and passionate in new technologies. Last 6 years actively involved on Li-ion battery energy storage market, supporting delivery of projects for the biggest European utilities (Enel, Terna, EDP) and driving business developments activities in several European, Asian and South American countries. Founding member of Fluence and monitoring electrical energy storage market development, contributing on several international workshops (EU, Cigre). Married and father of 2 restless sons. Holds Diplom in Electrical Engineering and MSc in

Management of Business, Innovation and Technology.

## **Dr. Giorgos Stamtsis**

## General Manager, Hellenic Association of Independent Power Producers (HAIPP)



Dr. Giorgos Stamtsis holds a Diploma (1998) in Electrical Engineering from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece, while he has a Dr.-Ing. Degree (2003) in liberalized electricity market from the University of Duisburg-Essen, Germany.

He has more than 15-year experience in energy markets and policy, focusing on electricity, renewables and carbon. Since 2014 he is General Manager of the Association of Independent Power Companies in Greece (HAIPP) where he served as Deputy General Manager from 2012 to 2014. From 2010 until 2012, he was Advisor

to the General Secretariat of Energy and Climate Change in the Greek Ministry for Environment & Energy, while he had previously worked as Commercial and Trading Manager in Endesa Hellas (2007-2010) and in the Energy Supplies & Trading department of Mytilineos (2005-2007).

Dr. Giorgos Stamtsis is a member of VDE and of the Technical Chamber of Greece. He has published a series of articles and analyses in peer review journals and conferences, as well as in the Press.

## **Mr. Angelos Syrigos**

Associate Professor at Panteion University, Member of the Greek Parliament, New Democratia



Angelos Syrigos (Athens, 1966) is a member of the Greek Parliament (elected in July 2019 General Elections in the 1st District of Athens with the New Democracy Party). He is also associate Professor of International Law and Foreign Policy at the Department of International and European Studies at Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences, Athens.

He is a graduate of the Law Schools of the National University of Athens and of the University of Bristol, England where in 1994 he was

conferred the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in the field of public international law. He has served as Secretary General of Population and Social Cohesion of the Greek Ministry of Interior (August 2012 and May 2015) and Secretary of the Ministry of Education responsible for Intercultural Education (2007-2009).

He has published three books and several articles on Greek-Turkish relations, the law of the Sea, the Cyprus issue, the Balkans, minorities and migration.

# Mr. Costas Theofylaktos

Chairman of Energy Efficiency Committee and Secretary-General, IENE, Greece



Is a USA trained Mechanical Engineer with an MSc from the University of Evansville, Indianna, and has 25 years experience in the energy sector. Constantinos's special interests includes cogenera=on and RES and was for many years chairman of Greece's Cogeneration Association and also member of the executive council of COGEN Europe. Until recently he was chairman and CEO of the Athens based Centre of Renewable Energy Sources (CRES).

# **Mr. Gerasimos Thomas**

Deputy Minister of Environment and Energy in Charge of Energy and Natural Resources of the Greek Government



**Gerassimos Thomas** is Deputy Minister of Environment and Energy in Charge of Energy and Natural Resources of the Greek Government

Prior to his current assignment G. Thomas had professional assignments as: Deputy Director General in the Directorate-General for Energy at the European Commission and Chairman of the Steering Board of the European Fund for

Strategic Investments EFSI (2014-2019); Director Finance at DG ECFIN (2009-2014); member of the EIB and EIF Board of Directors (2009-2017); Head of cabinet of Joaquin Almunia, Commissioner for Economic and Monetary Affairs (2005-2009); Deputy Spokesman for Commission President Romano Prodi; Spokesman for economic and monetary affairs under Commissioner Pedro Solbes (2000-2004).

# **Mr. Kostas Travasaros**

#### President, Solar Heat Europe



Costas Travasaros studied Mathematics at University of Athens and Mechanic at technical school. In 1979, during his studies, started his private business in sales and installation of solar thermal systems. In 1984 moved as sales manager of FOCO solar, becoming shareholder in 1986 till 2005, leading exports and R&D.

Since 2006 is a founding partner and general manager of Prime Laser Technology, an innovative Greek manufacturing company that specialises in solar thermal absorbers and is active in both local and international markets.

He served as President of the Greek Solar Industry Association is 90's, chairman of TC 312 and in November 2018 was elected President of Solar Heat Europe.

# **Dr. Marios Tsakas**

## **CEO of Public Gas Distribution Networks SA (DEDA)**



Dr Marios Tsakas was born in Athens and studied Chemistry at the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (NKUA). He holds a Master's degree in "Chemistry and Environmental Technologies" and a Ph.D. in "Organization and Management" from the NKUA. He has published numerous scientific papers in international and national journals.

He has served as Special Secretary of the Financial and Economic Crime Unit (SDOE, 2008-2009), General Secretary of the Municipality of Glyfada (2014-2018) and scientific advisor to the Minister of

Economy and Finance (2004-2008).

He has coordinated the Greek committee for the implementation of reforms in Health Sector under the national programme «Health in Action 2013-2015», in cooperation with the World Health Organization.

He has also held positions of responsibility in the fields of consultancy services and information technology.

In October 2019, Dr. Marios Tsakas was appointed as Chief Executive Officer of Public Gas Distribution Networks S.A (DEDA).

# **Mr. Eftimios Tsitouras**

Deputy Director, Energy Efficiency – HE CHP and Emissions Trading System, DAPEEP SA



Eftimios Tsitouras holds a Diploma in Electrical Engineering from National Technical University of Athens and a M.Sc. Degree in Control Systems and Information Technology from UMIST UK.

The period 1992-2006 he worked in senior management positions in large industrial units where he was dedicated to automation, real-time systems development, energy management and upgrading of industrial facilities.

In 2006 he joined DESMIE SA and was involved in the administration of metering and the power settlement of generation from RES & HE-CHP units.

Since 2012 he has been working at DAPEEP SA (formerly LAGIE SA) where he deals with the power settlement of HE-CHP units, the administration of the dispatchable HE-CHP Registry, the coordination of the National Scheme for Compensation of the indirect ETS cost (Carbon Leakage Compensation to energy intensive companies) and the management of the operations relating to the EU Emissions Trading System in the context of DAPEEP's role as the national auctioneer of the greenhouse gas emissions rights.

Since 2018 he holds the position of Deputy Director in Energy Efficiency – HE CHP and Emissions Trading System.

Mr. Ahmet Türkoğlu CEO, Turkish Energy Exchange (EXIST)



Ahmet Türkoğlu graduated from the International Relations Department of Boğaziçi University in 1996. In 2010, Türkoğlu was appointed to Turkish Petroleum Distribution Company (TPPD) as Vice General Manager. He worked as a CEO in Öztürk Group including companies like Opet, Regnum Hotels between 2013-2015.

Ahmet Turkoglu worked as a Member of the Board and General Manager of Turkish Energy Company (TEC) in 2016. In February 2017,

he was appointed Turkish Petroleum International Company (TPIC) as a General Manager and Chairman of the Board. As by the 20 June 2018, Türkoğlu, appointed to Turkish Energy Exchange (EXIST) as a CEO. Also, he is still one of the Members' of the Board of TEC. Türkoğlu is married with four children.

# **Dr. Pantelis Vogiatzis**

B.Eng, MSc., DEA, PhD, Compliance Division Manager & DPO, Attiki Natural Gas Distribution Company S.A.



upon Tyne (UK).

Dr. Pantelis Vogiatzis has academically combined the fields of engineering and law with specialized doctoral research in policy and regulation. He is an Environmental Engineering graduate from the University of Salford (UK) and the University of Waterloo (Canada). He possesses three postgraduate degrees in the fields of environmental law and policy from Nottingham University Law School (UK) and the International University of Andalusia (Seville, Spain). He also holds a PhD degree in EU Law, with specialization on climate policy and regulation, from the University of Newcastle

As a business executive in the energy and environmental sectors for more than 18 years, his core competencies and expertise involve EU energy/environmental law and policy, regulatory and institutional affairs, regulatory and operational compliance as well as business ethics and integrity. Since November 2017 he holds the position of Regulatory Compliance Division Manager & DPO at Attiki Natural Gas Distribution Company S.A. He is member of professional, scientific and academic organizations, committees and associations. Published research projects and articles with parallel academic activities as visiting professor.



# **Mr. Dionisis Xenos**

#### Member of BoD, IENE

Dr. Xenos has a long-term working experience in Industry and in several Companies in Greece and abroad. He has an extensive experience in public and private management positions such as: Managing Director of "Hellenic Saltworks SA", "EYDAP SA", "THRYLOS SA", Chairman and Managing Director of "HELLENIC AEROSPACE INDUSTRY SA".

Currently, Dr Xenos works as an independent consultant, providing consulting services in Solid Waste Management, Water Management, Reorganization of Water Supply and Sewerage Companies, Renewable Energy, etc. He has been involved in several Research Programmes and Feasibility Studies, in evaluating Investment Projects as well as in National and Regional Development Programmes.

He also has teaching experience (University of Ioannina). Dr Xenos is the author of four books and has also published several Articles in International Journals. He has also participated in various National and International Conferences.

# Mr. Tim Yeo

Chairman, The New Nuclear Watch Institute (NNWI), Ex Secretary of Energy and MP



Tim is a former Conservative MP for South Suffolk and former Shadow Secretary of State for Trade and Industry. Since leaving the House of Commons in 2015 where Tim was Chair of the Energy of the Energy & Climate Change Select Committee (2010-2015), Tim has been working in various energy and climate change related roles in the business and academic worlds. These include Chairman of The New Nuclear Watch Institute (formerly New Nuclear Watch Europe), and Chair of the University of Sheffield Energy 2050 Industrial Advisory Board.

Tim remains a Director of Getlink SE (formerly Groupe Eurotunnel), one of the largest listed companies in France, where he chair's the Board Strategy and Sustainable Development Committee. In 2016 KOTRA, the Korean trade office, appointed Tim as the Honorary Ambassador of Foreign Investment Promotion for South Korea. Tim is also works with the UK-China (Guangdong) CCUS Centre on carbon capture projects, on the design of China's emissions trading system, and with business on inward investment from China to the UK.

# **Mr. Christos Zafiris**

Responsible for the Biogas Unit, Center for Renewable Energy Sources



Agriculture engineer. MSc on Environmental Design of Cities and Buildings. Thirty years of experience in a range of R&D activities related to design, support, and execution of applied research programmes on biomass and wastes to energy, technical and strategic support for energy planning on a regional and local level as well as support for biogas projects. Energy auditor in a number of RES applications in Greece, supported by the Hellenic Operational Programme for Energy (Community Support Framework II for Greece 1994-1999). Involved in ALTENER, JOULE, PACTE, THERMIE, SYNERGY, RECITE. Co-ordinator of the 'Greek Biogas' Altener project and

scientific responsible of the 'Bioexell', 'Probiogas' 'Redubar' and Biogas IN IEE projects. He has teaching experience in biomass/biogas, spatial planning and sustainable development and is an Education trainer registered in the Ministry of Labor, in the Ministry of Interior, Public Administration, and Decentralization and the Greek Human Manpower Organization.

#### IENE Events 2019

- New Year's Celebration, Electra Palace Hotel, 18 20 Nikodimou Str. Athens, Monday, January 14, 2019 (18:30)
- Presentation of IENE's 2019 Annual Report on the Greek Energy Sector, Divani Caravel Hotel, 2 Vassileos Alexandrou ave., Athens, Wednesday, February 13, 2019 (11:30 – 15:00)
- Roundtable meeting on the " The Geopolitics of Energy Transition", (part of IENE's Energy Transition Roundtable Meetings), under the auspices of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Athens, Tuesday, March 5, 2019
- One day conference on the "Challenges and Opportunities in Greece's Electricity Market", Divani Caravel Hotel, 2 Vassileos Alexandrou ave., Athens, Thursday, May 9, 2019
- Workshop INNOPATHS with theme: "Towards carbon neutrality, the perspective of investors" organized by E3 Modeling in partnership with IENE Electra Palace Hotel, 18 – 20 Nikodimou Str. Athens, Wednesday 15 May 2019 (16: 00-19: 00)
- IENE Regional Conference Vienna Energy Transition Forum", (part of IENE's Energy Transition Meetings), in cooperation with Energy Centre Europe, Vienna, Thursday - Friday, June 6 - 7, 2019
- One day conference on **"East Mediterranean: The new natural gas frontier"**, in cooperation with the **Energy Institute, London,** Monday, October 7, 2019
- Regional Workshop "Energy Transition and Investment Challenges in SE Europe", in co-operation with ROEC, Bucharest, Romania, Wednesday, October 16, 2019
- Presentation of IENE's Study on the "Energy Transition of the Island of Kastellorizo", Armed Forces Club (LAED) (Rigillis 1 & Vassilissis Sofias (Pavlou Mela Square), 10675), Athens, Thursday, October 24, 2019, 11:00 – 13:00
- 24<sup>th</sup> National Energy Conference "Energy and Development 2019", Athens, Thursday Friday, November 21 22, 2019
- 7<sup>th</sup> Cyprus Energy Symposium, in co-operation with FMW, Nicosia, Wednesday, December 5, 2019
- Presentation of IENE's Publication "Hellas-Cyprus in the New Energy Era", Institute of International Relations, Athens, Thursday, December 12, 2019

#### IENE Events Programme 2020 (Tentative)

- Half Day Conference on "Gas Supply and Competition in SE Europe?", in co-operation with Eurogas, Brussels, Wednesday, January 22, 2020
- New Year's Celebration, Monday, January 27, 2020
- Presentation of IENE's 2020 Annual Report on the "Greek Energy Sector", Athens, Thursday 19 March 2020
- Half day Workshop "Energy, Investments and Exports", in co-operation with ICC Hellas, Athens, Tuesday 31 March 2020 (tbc)
- 12th SE Europe Energy Dialogue, Thessaloniki, 25-26 June 2020
- "Greek-Turkish Energy Forum", Istanbul, Wednesday 30 September 2020 (tbc)
- 25th National Conference "Energy & Development 2020", Athens, 19-20 November 2020
- 8th Cyprus Energy Symposium, in co-operation with FMW, Nicosia, Friday, December 4, 2020

# The 24<sup>th</sup> National Conference "Energy & Development 2019" is organized

