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Curriculum Vitae of Speakers (by alphabetical order)

Stavros Arnoutakis, Governor, Crete Region

Stavros Arnaoutakis was born in 1956 and grew up in Archanes of Iraklion in Crete. He is an economist. From 1981 to 1991 he was an executive in a private business.

In the Local Government elections of 1990 he was elected Mayor of Archanes at the age of 34. He served as Mayor of Archanes until 2004, as his fellow-citizens elected him for four consecutive periods. As Mayor of Archanes he started the implementation of a development plan, the philosophy of which was based on the close cooperation of local authorities and entities and the effective use of the human resources of the area.

The following factors played a catalytic role in the implementation of this plan: Optimum use of European programs, cooperation of the municipality with scientific bodies and universities and practical application of available expertise for developing more effective interventions.

During his office Archanes was awarded the following prizes:

- 2nd Award in the European Contest "Integrated and Sustainable Development of Exceptional Quality" in 2000, and
- 1st Award in the Contest "Local development respecting the natural environment and the human being" in 2002.

From 1991 to 2004 he was the Chairman of Iraklion Development S.A. From this position he managed the implementation of many European Programs, the results of which were evident both in the Municipality of Archanes and in the rest of the peripheral municipalities of the Regional Unit of Iraklion. It was because of his initiative that Iraklion Development became the first development company in Greece to acquire its own office in Brussels, with the aim of claiming and optimally implementing European Programs. By decision of the President of the Pan-Hellenic Socialist Movement (P.A.S.O.K.), Giorgos A. Papandreou, he was placed in the 4th position of the European ballot paper in the European Parliament elections in 2004.

From 2004 to 2009, in his capacity as a member of the European Parliament, he was a member of the Regional Development Committee, of the Fishery Committee and of the Delegation of Relations with the People's Republic of China.

In the parliamentary elections of 2009 he was elected a P.A.S.O.K. Member of Parliament and was appointed Vice Minister of Economy, Competitiveness and Shipping.

In the elections of November 2010 he was elected the first elective Regional Governor of Crete.

He is a member of the Board of Directors of the Union of Regions of Greece.

He is a member of the Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions of Europe (CPMR).

He is a regular member of the Committee of the Regions.

He is married to Irene Tzortzakaki and they have got two daughters, Antonia and Maria.

George Baourakis, Director, The Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania

Dr. George Baourakis is the Director of the Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Chania (MAICh) since June 2012, and the Studies and Research Coordinator of the Business Economics and Management Department of MAICh since 1989. He has more than two decades' experience in the management and coordination of educational and research activities, including coordination of the MSc Programme of MAICh-CIHEAM, organization of international seminars and training courses both at MAICh and in many other Mediterranean countries, and scientific, economic and administrative management of research projects. He has co-ordinated and participated in a large number of EU (FP 4th, 5th, 6th and 7th, INTERREG I, II and III-Archimed, MED, Tempus, Phare, Life, Lifelong Learning, Leonardo Da Vinci, European Social Fund/Operational Sectoral Programme), international and national-regional research projects (Ministry of Rural Development and Food, Ministry of Economy, etc).

He is an Affiliate Professor in Marketing and Supply Chain Management, at the Centre of Entrepreneurship, Nyenrode University, The Netherlands Business School. He has been appointed as Distinguished Research

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Fellow in Food Marketing-Management at several universities. He has published numerous papers in internationally refereed scientific journals, presented extensively at international conferences, and authored/co-authored several scientific and academic books and special issues which have been distributed by renowned publishing houses. Dr. Baourakis has lectured as an Invited Speaker in many internationally recognized Universities and has served as an OECD Consultant on regionalization and rural governance.

He has organized and implemented international conferences and specialized seminars in cooperation with Universities and Research Institutes of many countries (Turkey, Cyprus, Malta, Portugal, etc) and a large number of short courses mainly addressed to executives of the public sector of several countries (Palestine, Romania, Armenia, Turkey, Bulgaria, Iran, Albania, etc), co-organised and financed by the Ministry of Rural Development and Food.

He is a member of the editorial board of the Journal of Food Products Marketing (Routledge), the Journal of Food Economics (Taylor & Francis), the Journal of Computational Optimization in Economics and Finance (Nova Publishers), and the Journal of Agricultural and Food Economics (Springer). He is also acting as a Referee in various journals concerned with food marketing, management and finance. He has served for many years as President of the Economic Chamber of W. Crete, Executive Member of ANEK LINES, and Secretary General of a large coop retail chain (INKA).

Dusan Batakovic,

Director, Institute for Balkan Studies, Serbian Academy of Arts and Science, former Ambassador

Bataković graduated with a degree in history from the Faculty of Philosophy at the University of Belgrade in 1982. He holds an M.A. in history from the same institution (1988). He received his Ph.D. in history from the University of Paris IV: Paris-Sorbonne in 1997 with the thesis *La France et la formation de la démocratie parlementaire en Serbie 1830-1914* (France and the formation of parliamentary democracy in Serbia, 1830-1914). He is a specialist for nineteenth- and twentieth-century Balkan history. He has written and published extensively on the modern and contemporary history of Serbia, in particular Kosovo and Serbian-Albanian relations, focusing on nationalism, and the origins of religious and ethnic strife. Another area of his research is the impact of communism on the contemporary history of Serbia, Yugoslavia and the Balkans. Bataković writes in Serbian, English and French and his bibliography includes dozens of historical monographs, edited volumes and more than a hundred articles published in various languages.

Bataković is also the author of the historical TV documentary *Crveno doba* (The Red Epoch), which aired on Serbia's public broadcaster, RTS, in 2004. Combining testimonies of witnesses with historic narrative the film was the first to open the question of the crimes of the communist Yugoslav authorities (the "red terror") against their political and class enemies in post-World War II Serbia and Montenegro (1944-1947).

In October 2005 he became Director of the Institute for Balkan Studies of the Serbian Academy of Sciences and Arts and editor-in-chief of the Institute's annual *Balkanica* journal as well as of its Special editions. In September 2008, Bataković was appointed Vice-Director of the Institute for Balkan Studies and elected president of the Serbian Committee of AIESEE (Association Internationale d'Etudes du Sud-Est Europeen).

Parallel to his academic life, Dušan T. Bataković has also pursued a career in politics and diplomacy. As the president of the Council for Democratic Changes in Serbia (a pro-democracy NGO), he campaigned against the Milosevic regime in the late 1990s. From 2001 to 2005 he served as Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (later Serbia and Montenegro) to the Hellenic Republic. In July 2005 he became Advisor for political issues to the President of Serbia Boris Tadić. In that capacity he became a member, in November 2005, of the Serbian negotiating team at the UN-sponsored talks on the future status of the province of Kosovo in Vienna.

He was appointed Ambassador of Serbia to Canada in July 2007 and Ambassador of Serbia in Paris, France in January 2009.

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Oana Antonia Colibasanu,

Associated lecturer, Academy of Economic Studies, University of Bucharest, Romania, Vice – President, International Marketing at Stratfor, President, Books For Peace

Founder of Books for Peace, a non-profit organization focused on promoting peace through education and culture, she worked with various organizations like the University of Bucharest, GAAEC, UNOY and Oxfam in various educational programs, serving both as lecturer and organizer to various seminars.

Since the beginning of 2011 she is also the Vice – President of International Marketing at the US geopolitical analysis company Stratfor. She started working with Stratfor in 2006 and where she has held positions like regional consultant, researcher and director of research for Eurasia before working in international marketing. Considering her passion on international affairs and education, since 2007 – when she began to study for her PhD in international business and economics – has been a guest speaker at various courses at the Romanian Academy of Economic Studies and an associated lecturer for courses on Research Methodology, Economic Growth and Development, International Organizations or Diplomacy. She has finished her PhD research in March 2011 when she successfully defended her thesis on country risk and investment decision making process in international business.

She is currently a contributor on foreign affairs and global business environment to Financial Times – experts discussion platform, Long Room and to Euractiv – BlogActiv.

Konstantinos Filis,

Director of Research, the Institute of International Relations, Panteion University, Greece

Has served as Director for issues pertaining to Russia and former Soviet republics at Panteion University's Institute of International Relations (IIR), where he currently heads the Center for Russia, Eurasia and Southeast Europe.

Elected in November 2007 as Senior Associate Member at St Antony's College, Oxford University, and, since September 2008 research fellow at South East European Studies at Oxford (SEESOX).

Starting in 2007, oversaw scientific teams at the Institute for Strategic and Development Studies, co-authoring a number of studies and analyses, and then holding the position of Scientific Director for about a year.

Member of the International Council of the Research Institute for European and American Studies.

Lectures in the Undergraduate and Post-graduate programmes of Panteion University as well as in the Hellenic National Defence General Staff. Also, a visitor at the Hellenic Naval Staff and Command College. He has done a number of studies for the Ministries of Foreign Affairs and National Defence.

Has delivered speeches at a number of institutions abroad, including Harvard University and the London School of Economics.

Head of the State Minister's Policy Planning Division, from November 2009 to June 2011.

From September 2011 to June 2012, was associated with the Prime Minister's Diplomatic Office, coordinating energy affairs.

In July 2012, was appointed by the Board of Directors Director of Research at the Institute of International Relations of Panteion University.

Anthony E. Foscolos,

Emeritus Professor, Technical University of Crete, Emeritus Research Scientist, Geological Survey of Canada

Born on 1930 in Cairo Egypt where I completed my elementary and high school studies. Subsequently, I pursued my education at the Aristotelian University, Bachelor in Agricultural Engineering followed by an M.Sc and PhD. at the University of California Berkeley in the field of Physical Chemistry of Clay Minerals. Upon completing my graduate studies in 1966, I was hired by the Geological Survey of Canada, Institute of Sedimentary and Petroleum Geology to carry research in the area of hydrocarbons in Central Alberta, Northeastern British Columbia, the Beaufort MacKenzie Delta and the Canadian Arctic Islands. One third of my scientific publications are related to these activities.

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In 1986 I was elected as a professor at the Technical University of Crete, Department of Mineral Resources Engineering. My teaching was related to the field of Inorganic and Organic Geochemistry and Organic Petrology. Between 1966 and 1997 I also served as Academic vice President. 1988-1993, Head of the Department of Mineral Resources Engineering, 1995-1997, energy consultant for the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), 1975-1985 and Adjunct Professor, Department of Geography and Archaeology, University of Calgary, 1975-1986.

My scientific record includes 79 publications, most of them in peer review journals, with a Citation Index of 243 (till 2003), 33 participations at International and National Conferences with presentations and posters and 14 Technical Reports for the Public Petroleum Corporation of Greece (DEP-EKY), Public Power Corporation of Greece, S.A. (DEH), Institute of Mineral Exploration, Greece (IGME) and the United Nations.

Theodossis Georgiou,

Chairman & CEO of the Greek Association for Atlantic & European Cooperation, Co-Founder of The International Center for Leading Studies

Theodossis Georgiou is the Chairman of the Greek Association for Atlantic and European Cooperation. He is an honorary Lawyer. Furthermore, he is a Member of the Board of Regents of the Fund for American Studies. On October 7, 1997 Mr. Georgiou was elected President of ATA, an International Organization (Confederation) of the National Atlantic Councils and Committees of 42 States (all NATO and PfP Countries) and remained in office until November 2000. Moreover, he is President of the Eurodefense – Greece, Member of the Executive Board of AWEPA and Responsible for the Greek group.

In the past he was Director of the Office for the Minister of Interior Affairs Mr. Kostis Stefanopoulos (1974-1976), Member of the Greek Delegation to the European Communities, in Brussels (1976-1979 during the negotiations period), Secretary General of the Council of Economic and Social Policy (ECOSOC). He has also been a Member of the Economic and Social Assembly of the European Communities and a Founding Member of the "Democratic Renewal Party" until its cessation at the election of Kostis Stefanopoulos as President of the Hellenic Republic.

On June 4, 2003 he received the "Chevalier dans l' Ordre de la Legion D' Honneur" by the President of France, Jacques Chirac and on November 26, 2004 he received the "Golden Laurel Branch Award" of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bulgaria. He also has several other decorations and distinctions in recognition of supporting the integration of South-Eastern European countries to NATO and EU. Also the last 25 years he led or he was member of international or Greek delegations in hundreds of conferences around the globe and delivered enormous number of speeches about Security & International Cooperation.

Mr. Georgiou studied Law in the University of Athens, European Law at the "Université Libre de Bruxelles" in Belgium and International Law at the Academy for International Law in The Hague, Netherlands.

He is married to Aliko Mitsakos and has one son.

Kolinda Grabar Kitarovic,

Assistant Secretary General, NATO

Ambassador Kolinda Grabar-Kitarović took up her position as NATO's Assistant Secretary General for Public Diplomacy on 4 July 2011. Having previously served as Croatia's Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Integration and, more recently, as Ambassador of Croatia to the United States (2008 – 2011), Ambassador Grabar-Kitarović is well-versed in Euro-Atlantic diplomacy and security issues.

Born in Rijeka, Croatia, Ambassador Grabar-Kitarović holds a masters degree in international relations from the Faculty of Political Science, University of Zagreb. She was also a Fulbright Scholar at the George Washington University, a Luksic Fellow at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government and a visiting scholar at the Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) of the Johns Hopkins University in Washington, D.C. She began her career in 1992 as an advisor to the International Cooperation Department of Croatia's Ministry of Science and Technology, moving on to become an advisor in the Foreign Ministry.

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In 1995, Ambassador Grabar-Kitarović became director of the Foreign Ministry's North American Department, and from 1997 to 2000, she worked as a diplomatic counsellor and DCM at the Croatian Embassy in Canada. She then returned to the Foreign Ministry as Minister-Counsellor.

In November 2003, Ambassador Grabar-Kitarović was elected to the Croatian Parliament and in December 2003, she became the Minister of European Integration. She was sworn in as Croatia's Foreign Minister in February 2005, her central task being to guide the country into the European Union and NATO.

Ambassador Grabar-Kitarović speaks Croatian, English, Spanish and Portuguese fluently.

She is the first woman ever to be appointed Assistant Secretary General of NATO.

Christina Kulich,

Lecturer, Political Science, Emmanuel College, Boston

Ph.D., M. A., Brandeis University; B.A., Johns Hopkins University.

Professor Kulich has been an Instructor of Political Science at Emmanuel since 2009 and has taught courses in Comparative Politics and International Relations since 2006. She received her Ph.S. from Brandeis University in 2005 and holds a graduate diploma in European Politics & International Studies from the Bologna Center of The Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies in Bologna, Italy and a B.A. from Johns Hopkins University. Her research interests include parties and political movements, women and politics, European Politics and regime transitions.

Aliki Mitsakos,

Co-Founder & Dean of The International Center for Leading Studies, Chairperson, Education and Science G.A.A.E.C. Committee, Women In International Security - Hellas

Aliki Mitsakos, studied Medicine in Belgium, San Diego, U.S.A., and the University of Athens, Greece, subsequently specializing in Anaesthesia - Intensive Care and Pain Management. She holds a Ph.D., cum laude, in Pharmacology.

She has worked at all levels and eventually Director of Anaesthesia and Intensive Care Unit keeping simultaneously a Private Practice, in Greece and abroad, including Stanford University in California and other Centers in the U.S.A.; in London, England; Moscow, Russia; and Cape Town, South Africa. She has taught at the University of Athens, the Institute of Vocational Training, and many international advanced programs.

She has been actively involved in promoting the academic and clinical advance of medicine and the welfare of anesthesiologists. Has served on the Board of the Hellenic Society of Anaesthesiologists, founded the related Association that set the standards of the specialty, has served as the National Delegate at the Monospecialist Committee for Anaesthesia and Reanimation of the European Union (U.E.M.S.), on the European Board of Anaesthesiology, as well as numerous Hellenic and International Societies, including the European Academy and the European Society of Anaesthesiology.

Besides her professional career, she has also been an active member of Civil Society on issues related to International relations, Security and Education, with a particular focus on Youth and Women, for the past 25 years and more.

She is active in Soroptimist International, served as President of the Union of Greece, is founding member of the Greek Association for Atlantic & European Cooperation, and president of Women In International Security - Hellas. She served on the Board of Advisors of the International Institute for Political & Economic Studies of the Fund for American Studies and Georgetown University, created (2004) a unique International Educational program for teenagers "Kernels of our Future" based on non formal / informal education methods, and founded The International Center for Leading Studies in 2012, serving as Dean.

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Konstantinos Papadopoulos,

Group Advisor on Economic and European Affairs, The Eurobank Group, Athens, former Secretary-General for International Economic Relations and Development Cooperation, Hellenic Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Constantine Papadopoulos is Group Advisor on European and Economic Affairs at The Eurobank Group, Athens (1998-2010 and 2012-)

Between January 2010 and July 2012, he was Secretary-General for International Economic Relations & Development Cooperation at the Hellenic Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in charge of Greece's economic policies at bilateral and multilateral levels, as well as co-responsible for the promotion of international trade and investment. From 1986 until 1998, he was a career diplomat.

Dr. Papadopoulos holds a B.A. (1975), M.A. (1976) and D.Phil. (1984) in Economics from the University of Sussex, England. He has taught and published on various topics in the areas of economics, European integration, Greek-Turkish relations, etc. He is a Fellow of the Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University (1998).

Ioanna Pavlopoulou,

Founder and Managing Director, CommonLawgic, President, Georgetown University Alumni Association of Greece and member of Admission Committee

Founder and Managing Director of CommonLawgic (www.commonlawgic.org), a non-profit multidisciplinary research Institute, based in Greece, that offers legal, strategic and project management assistance, over sustainability reporting, corporate responsibility, accountability, waste and resource efficiency management and entrepreneurship, issues that currently concern the shipping industry, similarly to other sectors.

Attorney-at-law (Athens Bar), litigator before the Greek courts since 1990 on shipping, corporate, tax, labor and civil law cases. Part-time General Counsel of Hellenic Star Shipping Company for many years in the past.

Trained Sustainability Report Verifier on behalf of Hellenic Lloyd's (Lloyd's Register).

Corporate Social Responsibility (C.S.R.) Practitioner, accredited by IEMA UK, since 2008.

Assessor of companies on Excellence Management Models [GRI G4, AA1000, E.F.Q.M 2013, EBEN and Investors in People (iP), as well as Internal Auditor on marine standards [ISO 50001, 14001, ISM, ISPS, SEEMP].

Lecturer on "Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and Shipping" for HELMEPA for the 2009 Environmental Training Program. Representative of HMA (Hellenic Management Association) at the Judging Panel for the Greek CSR Awards 2010, organized by HMA & CSR Hellas Network.

Yanna advises and raises awareness over Corporate Social Responsibility, social entrepreneurship and resource efficiency, through articles in professional press, web or t.v. as panel speaker (in Hamburg, Oslo, Singapore, Shenzhen, Athens, Mykonos) e.g. as keynote speaker by HSBA (Hamburg School of Business Administration) (May 2012); as Master-class Workshop Leader (1-5 p.m.) on "Corporate Social Responsibility and Green Policies" in Singapore (June 2011); as Leader of an hourly Roundtable Discussion (March 2011) at GREEN SHIP TECHNOLOGY CONFERENCE in Oslo, Norway; as Workshop Leader of a 70 min. workshop on "CSR in shipping" at the 30th Intl WISTA Conference in Athens (2010).

René Repasi,

Assistant Professor, University of Heidelberg

René Repasi studied law at the Universities of Heidelberg and Montpellier I. During his legal clerkship, he used to work for the European Commission and at the European Court of Justice. Since 2007, he has been employed as Assistant Professor at the University of Heidelberg and senior researcher at the Institute for German and European Corporate and Economic Law at the chair of Professor Peter-Christian Müller-Graff. Besides he is lecturer for European Law at the University of Applied Sciences of Fulda (Germany). His main field of interest is European law and Human Rights. He was appointed as legal expert for the European Parliament in the banking union and the legal implications of the report “Towards a Genuine Economic and Monetary Union”. He published in several English, French and German law journals on EU legal issues.

Repasi is furthermore actively involved in German and European politics. He was a candidate for the most recent European Parliament elections in 2009 for the German SPD and is member of the Commission on European Affairs of the German Socialdemocrats. He is appointed to several German think tanks on European politics.

René Repasi is a known lecturer who teaches on behalf of NGOs, political foundations and public institutions. He gained his first lecturing experiences as a student for the German Institute for Civic Education. Nowadays His latest series of lectures was on the origin of the Euro crisis and on possible ways out of the crisis.

As the son of a Hungarian father and a German mother, he considers himself first and foremost a European. He is fond of French music (Jacques Brel) and enjoys cooking and a glass of a good red wine.

Amy Scanlon,

Acting Political Counselor, U.S. Embassy in Athens

Amy Scanlon is a career Foreign Service Officer who has served in a variety of positions over her twelve years in the Foreign Service. She is currently the Acting Political Counselor at the U.S. Embassy in Athens. Most recently, she served as a Special Assistant to Deputy Secretary Steinberg at the Department of State. During that time, she covered European Affairs for the Deputy Secretary, as well as nonproliferation and political-military issues. Prior to that position, she spent time in the Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs.

From 2007 - 2008, Ms. Scanlon served as a Special Assistant to Secretary of State Rice, and prior to that, she served in the State Department’s 24/7 Operations Center. She has also served overseas at the U.S. embassies in Moscow, Russia, and Maputo, Mozambique.

Ms. Scanlon speaks Portuguese, Spanish, Russian, and some Greek. She graduated from Georgetown University and has a Master’s in Social Work from Boston College. Ms. Scanlon is a native of Vermont.

Magda Shahin,

*Professor & Director, American Studies Center, The American University of Cairo, Egypt,
former Ambassador of Egypt in Greece*

Ambassador Magda Shahin is the new director of the Prince Alwaleed American Studies Center at the School of Global Affairs and Public Policy (GAPP) at The American University in Cairo. Ambassador Shahin has joined AUC in September 2011.

Ambassador Shahin's primary career has been in diplomacy. She held a number of distinguished posts with the Egyptian Foreign Ministry, namely as first secretary in Bonn, as counselor in New York, as deputy chief of mission in Geneva, and lastly as an ambassador in Athens. She held twice the position of assistant minister of foreign affairs for international economics. Her area of expertise is trade development and negotiation, which has enabled her to develop an excellent understanding of the U.S., U.S. economic issues, and the interests of U.S. companies, first in a five-year posting to the U.S. as part of the Egyptian mission to the UN and subsequently as the deputy head of the Egyptian mission to the WTO in Geneva. She has just completed five years as executive director of the USAID Project Trade Advisory Program to the Private Sector in the American Chamber of Commerce in Egypt.

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She has also participated as a resource person on issues such as trade and investment, trade and competition, trade and environment, in numerous seminars organized by highly reputed Institutes, such as The Royal Institute Of International Affairs, London, Wilton Park, as well as meetings organized by UN organizations and non-governmental organizations. Ambassador Shahin holds a PhD in economics from Cairo University and previously taught as an adjunct assistant professor and then professor at the economics department at AUC, where she gave graduate as well as undergraduate courses on various international trade issues, including the WTO agreements.

The area of expertise of Ambassador Shahin is trade development and negotiation, which has enabled her to develop an excellent understanding of the US, US economic issues, and the interests of US companies, first in a five-year posting to the US as part of the Egyptian mission to the UN and subsequently as the deputy head of the Egyptian mission to the World Trade Organization (WTO) in Geneva.

She was a member of the Egyptian delegation to numerous UN and WTO conferences and a negotiator on trade issues in the Uruguay Round Agreements, and subsequently the Doha Development Round. She participated as a consultant and an expert in various seminars, symposiums and workshops organized by WTO, UNCTAD, ESCWA, and the Islamic Development Bank (IDB) to explain the principles, practical aspects and the impact of the WTO from the perspective of a developing country.

Ivan Velimir Starcevic,

Ambassador of the Republic of Croatia to the Hellenic Republic

Ph. D. from Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Zagreb, thesis „Peace Operations in the Postmodern Era“, 2012

Diplomatic Academy of MFA of Croatia, 1998

Master's Degree from Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, 1986

Batchelor's Degree from Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb, 1977

- Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary of the Republic of Croatia to the Hellenic Republic, present
- Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs of the Republic of Croatia, Directorate for Security and International Organizations, Department for International Security, 2011
- NATO-led operation ISAF in Afghanistan, Provincial Reconstruction Team (PRT) Feyzabad, Deputy Head for Civilian Affairs, 2010,
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration of the Republic of Croatia, Directorate for Security and International Organizations, Department for International Security, 2007 - 2010
- NATO-led operation ISAF in Afghanistan, Provincial Reconstruction Team (PRT) Feyzabad, Deputy Head for Civilian Affairs, 2005-2006,
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs and European Integration of the Republic of Croatia, Analytical Department, 2005,
- Embassy of the Republic of Croatia in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Minister Plenipotentiary, 2001-2005,
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Croatia, Department for Neighboring Countries, 2000,
- Embassy of the Republic of Croatia in Belgrade, Serbia, Minister Plenipotentiary, 1999,
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Croatia, Head of Department for Northern America, 1997-1999,
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Croatia, Head of Department for Western Europe, 1997,
- Embassy of the Republic of Croatia in Athens, Greece, Counsellor and Minister Counsellor, 1993-1997,
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Croatia, Counsellor for OSCE affairs, 1992-1993
- Press, media and culture Counsellor at the Embassy of SFRY in New Delhi, India, 1991,
- various positions on the Staff of the Croatian Parliament, 1978-1990,
- judge trainee at the Municipal court in Zlatar, 1978.

Professional and other awards:

Non Article 5 NATO Medal for Service with NATO in Relation to the ISAF Operation

Medal of Homeland's Gratitude

Certificates, diplomas and letters of recognition for lectures and participation at various international and Croatian professional and scientific conferences, courses and seminars in the field of international security and peace operations.

Antony Sullivan,

Center for Middle East and North African Studies, The University of Michigan, and Senior Associate for the Arab World and East Asia, TerraBuilt Corporation International

Dr. Sullivan is an internationally recognized scholar of the Arab world, Senior Associate at TerraBuilt Corporation International charged particularly with developing business opportunities in the Middle East, and former Director of Program at Earhart Foundation where he supported research in the social sciences and political philosophy.

Since 1997, Dr. Sullivan taught in Athens & Crete, in the International Institute for Economic & Political Studies under the auspices of the Fund for American Studies & the Greek Association for Atlantic and European Cooperation, on whose Board of Academic Advisors he still serves. He heads his own international consulting company, Near East Support Services, and holds an honorary appointment at the Center for Middle Eastern and North African Studies at the University of Michigan. In addition, Dr. Sullivan serves on the Board of Directors of the Minaret of Freedom Institute and the Center for the Study of Islam and Democracy (Washington, D.C.).

Dr. Sullivan is author of or a contributor to six books and over one hundred journal articles and reviews. His latest major scholarly contribution is a lengthy Introduction to the Memoirs of Pasha Tawfiq al-Suwaydi, a very distinguished 20th century Iraqi statesman. This 570-page volume is forthcoming from Lynne Rienner Publishers in July 2013.

Dr. Sullivan received his BS degree from Yale, his MA from Columbia, and his PhD in Middle Eastern and European history from the University of Michigan. He speaks both French and Arabic and is a long-time participant in meetings of Renaissance Weekend.

Dr. Sullivan travels widely abroad especially in connection with his responsibilities at TerraBuilt Corporation International.

Petros Vamvakas,

Ph.D., Boston University; M.A., Northeastern University; B.A., Suffolk University

Teaching experience: I teach courses in Comparative Politics, International Relations and Political Theory in the Department of Political Science. I have developed a number of courses in the subfields of International Relations, Comparative Politics and Political Theory, among them Street Democracy, European Politics, International Law and Organizations, and a Travel Course: In the Steps of Thucydides. I have also taught in the RISE program at Emmanuel every summer term since 2007. I have served as the Co-Coordinator of the Global Studies and International Affairs program since 2009 and as Academic Advisor to the Emmanuel College Model United Nations Club since 2004. I sit on a number of faculty committees, to include Academic Affairs, Curriculum, Scholarship & Fellowship and more recently have been elected by my peers to be President of the Faculty Senate, a committee on which I have served since 2007 as a member. In the summer of 2010 I applied for and was accepted to be Coordinator of the new ecEdge program, aimed at increasing retention and academic success for first generation college students.

Dimitris Xenakis,

University of Crete

Dimitris K. Xenakis was born in Heraklion Crete. He studied International and European Politics (BA, MA, PhD) and his doctoral thesis *Transforming Regional Orders: The Helsinki and the Barcelona Processes Compared* (University of Exeter, 2000) was awarded with the European Studies Prize (2002) by the Hellenic University Association for European Studies.

Since March 2003 he teaches International Relations as Adjunct Lecturer in the Department of Political Science at the University of Crete, in which he was unanimously elected as Lecturer in International Politics in October 2006 and Assistant Professor in 2012. He has also taught at the National School of Public Administration (2003-4), the Department of International and European Studies at Athens Panteion University (2005-6), the Department of Mediterranean Studies at the Aegean University (2006-7), and the Program of Business

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Administration (2009-2010), Greek Open University. Since 2010 he teaches in the Program in European Cultural Studies, Greek Open University and the National Security Academy.

Since 2009 he was appointed Director of the Euro-Mediterranean Policy Unit in the Hellenic Center for European Studies (Foreign Ministry), and in Vice-Chairman of the Center for Security Studies (Ministry of Citizen Protection) as well as, member of the Scientific Board at the Defence Analyses Institute (Ministry of National Defence). In the past he has served, among other, as Research Fellow and Head of the Mediterranean and Middle East Studies Unit (2007-9) at the Athens based Institute of International Economic Relations; Advisor at the Hellenic Parliament (2004-7); International Relations and Organizations Expert at the General Secretariat for Financial Planning and Defence Investment of the Hellenic Ministry of Defence (2003-4); Strategic Analyst at the Defence Analysis Institute (2002-3), and Research Fellow at the Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy (2001-2).

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