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### MSC IN "MEDIA& REFUGEE/MIGRATION FLOWS"

## SUMMER SCHOOL 2021

### "REFUGEES-MIGRANTS AND INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION"

# **Presenters (in alphabetical order)**

# **Aggelis Stratis**



Stratis Aggelis was born in Mytilene, Greece, in 1966. He studied Sociology and has been working as a professional journalist for over 30 years covering international news and crises for newspapers, radio and television stations. He has covered conflicts in the Middle East and the Balkans. He is currently chief editor of world news in Mega Channel, and contributes as op-editor to Avgi newspaper.

# Alexellis Theodoros

Theodoros Alexellis was born in Athens, Greece. He studied Political Science and Public Administration, specializing in International and European Studies, at the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, and completed Master's studies in Environmental Policy and Management at the University of the Aegean in Mytilene, Lesvos. He has worked as a researcher for the Hellenic Foundation for European & Foreign Policy, as administrative staff at the University of the Aegean and as a Special Advisor to the Secretary General for the Aegean and Island Policy in matters of Public Administration and European Affairs. Since 2016, he has been working for UNHCR, the UN Refugee Agency, on Lesvos, currently serving as Assistant Government Liaison Officer.





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# Andreadelli Vasiliki

Vasiliki Andreadelli is married, mother of two children, and a permanent employee at the G.H. Of Mytilene. Since 1999 she is responsible for the operation of the Civil Non-Profit Company "ILIAKTIDA", and currently chairman of the Board. She studied at the school of the Hellenic Red Cross "Higher School of Nurses and Visitors". She holds a PhD from the University of the Aegean and a B.A from the School of Pedagogical & Technological Education (ASPETE), General Department of Pedagogical Courses, EPPAIK.

Among other:

• She designed and implemented the HORIZON program of the General Hospital of Mytilene

• In 1995 she was appointed by the Board, responsible for the design and implementation of community programs and medical practice for the staff of the hospital and the H.C.

• Since 1997 she has been appointed head of the social economic enterprise under the name ILIAKTIDA where people with disabilities and other vulnerable groups are employed.

• Since 1994 she has been working for the professional orientation and promotion of people with disabilities in the labour market

• 2003 Coordinator of the National Network of Social Economy within the framework of C.I. EQUAL

• 2011 until today teaching staff at EPAS Nursing Assistants of G.H. of Mytilene and since 2020 she is the Director of DIEK of the General Hospital of Mytilene

# Anitsakis Charalambos MD.

Charalambos Anitsakis was born in 1962 Athens, Greece. He studied at the Medical School of the University of Patras, GR. Specialized to Internal Medicine at the University Hospital of Patras. From 1998 he has been working as a doctor to the Internal Medicine Clinic, Vostaneio General Hospital of Mytilene, Lesvos. From 2018 he is Medical Director of the Internal Medicine Department, Vostaneio General Hospital of Mytilene, Lesvos, Chairman of the Nosocomial Infections Committee and Director of the COVID-19 Clinic.





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### Balaskas Stratis, Journalist

## Dimopoulou Nikoletta



Nikoletta Dimopoulou holds a Bachelor and a Master Degree from the Drama Department of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and a Master Degree of Arts in International Performance Research from the University of Warwick, University of Amsterdam and University of Arts in Belgrade. She has worked as a dramaturge and theatre/drama facilitator in programmes for preschool, primary and secondary education. She designs non-formal learning programmes and theatre/drama workshops for teenagers and adults, based on group work. She is an active member of the Hellenic Theatre/Drama & Education Network and has cooperated so far with British Council, Greece and Actionaid. At the moment, she

holds the role of Experiential Learning and Theatre/Drama facilitator in Lesvos Solidarity.





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## Efstathiou-Selacha Katerina



Katerina Efstathiou-Selacha is a Greek Language teacher and a Psychology Graduate. She has studied Greek and Latin (University of Cyprus) and got a master's degree in Comparative Literature (University Paris-3 Sorbonne Nouvelle). She has recently completed a bachelor of Psychology at the Open University UK. She has been an active volunteer since 2007 in the refugee issue, a co-founder and the last acting President of Agkalia team with Papa Stratis Dimou, Giorgos Tyrikos Ergas And Eleni Selacha (Raul Wallenberg Prize of the Council of Europe 2016, Alexander Langer Prize 2017). She has been teaching

the Greek language to refugee and Roma children and adults for many years. She has co-signed the fairy tale "The little frog" which was translated in five languages including Farsi and Arabic, a book that was used as a teaching tool in many refugee camps and by many teachers across the country. She has been working as a teacher since 2008 and she currently works in adult education. She has taken part in numerous conferences across Europe regarding the refugee issue.

# **Gallinos Spyridon**



Spyridon Galinos was born in Athens in March 1952 and raised in Mytilene, the capital of the Island of Lesbos. In 1990, 1994 and 1998 he was elected City Councillor of Mytilene. In 2002, he was elected prefectural councillor, assuming the duties of Vice-Prefect at the Prefecture of Lesbos.





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# Giritli İnceoğlu Yasemin



Professor Dr. Yasemin Giritli İnceoğlu. Visiting Scholar at Birkbeck, University of London (2020-2021) Yasemin Giritli İnceoğlu is professor of Communication and a member of the UNESCO International Clearinghouse on Children and Violence on the Screen and of the American Biography Institute. Yasemin was a visiting scholar at Columbia University (1994) and at the Salzburg Seminar (2003), at New Delhi University Media Studies Center (2014), at EUI-European University Institute (2017). She took place in many projects and has published several books: The Persuasion Process in Communications: With Some

Examples of the Political Campaigns (1997); Media and Society, Women in the Media and Women Journalists (2002); International Media (2004); A Guide to Media and Children (2008); Text Analysis (2009); Women and their Body in the Spiral of Femininity, Sexuality and Violence (2010), Hate Speech and Hate Crimes (2012) Minorities, The Other and Media (2014), Internet and Street (2015) News Readings (2016), Journalism 'a Peacekeeping Agent' at the Time of Conflict (2018), LGBTI+ Individuals and Media (2019) Covid Diaries (2021) Pandemics, Neoliberalism and Media (2021). Her areas of studies are International media, war and the media, persuasive communication and hate speech. She conducts courses such as Alternative Media and Journalism Rights, Communication Ethics, International Communication, International Communication, Theories and Models of Communication and Media Criticism.





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# **Halkiotis Dimitris**



Dr Dimitris Halkiotis holds a M.A. in Management, Planning and Economics of Education from the Department of Educational Policy, Institute of Education, University of London and a PhD in Economics of Education from the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens. He is currently attached to the Institute of Educational Policy in the European and International Educational Policy Department as a Consultant in the field of Intercultural Education. He is also an Adjunct Lecturer in the Hellenic Open University, and an Educator in the National Centre of Public Administration. He has published on the following fields: Management of Education, Economics of

Education, Educational Policy and Intercultural Education. His research interests focus on Educational Policy. Dr. Dimitris Halkiotis has participated as a coordinator in many European Projects as well as in many national and international conferences.

# **Haritos Panos**

Panos Haritos born in 1969 in Athens, Greece. He began a working relationship with Athens News Agency in 1997 as a Bureau Chief of Athens News Agency in Albania. The same year he start working for ERT (Hellenic Radio Television). He worked as well for International Media as BBC and Deuche Welle. Over the past 17 years, Panos Haritos has covered a variety of events including, civil conflicts and political crisis in Balkans, Mid East, West-Central -North & East Africa, China, Central & South Asia. First assignment was in Georgia (1994) for the civil war and the crisis with Abkhazia. The same year he traveled to Azerbaijan and Armenia for the aftermaths of the earthquake. Two years later he crossed from Tanzania in to Zaire 1996 (today Democratic Republic of Congo) and he covered the civil war.

March of 1997 he set up the first office of Athens News Agency in Albania and he covered the Pyramid Schemes story and the Kosovo war. During the year 2000 he was the only foreign journalist who stayed in Sierra Leone and covered the civil war after the withdrawal of all the foreigners from the country. In 2001 he followed the offensive of the Northern Alliance in Afghanistan from the borders of Tajikistan until the fall of Kabul. He covered: the war in Iraq from the American invasion in 2003 and from the next two years. The Israeli-Palestinian conflict





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since the beginning of the Second intifada (September 2000), the 2006 war in Lebanon, the internal conflict in 2007 at the same place and the Palestinian conflict between Hamas-Fatah in Gaza 2007 and the invasion of Israeli army & the war in Gaza in January of 2009. The Arab Spring and the uprising in Egypt 2011. The uprising in Libya 2011-2012 are some of the international top stories that he covered for Greek & Foreign media. During 2012-2013 he directed the 6 episodes documentaries "Coexisting with the saints" for the Greek National television. He received several prestigious awards for his work in Sierra Leone, Afghanistan, Kosovo, Lebanon and Iraq. The year 2004 he received the most prestigious Greek journalistic prize, the Botsis Foundation Award, from the President of the Greek Republic, Mr. Carolos Papoulias. After 15 years as a correspondent in Mid East, in 2015 he returned to Greece as the central bulletin board presenter after the reopening of ERT.

### Kalfeli Naya

Naya Kalfeli holds a PhD in Journalism (Aristotle University), a MA in International and European Studies with a specialization in International Law and Diplomatic Studies (Panteion University) and a BA in Journalism and Mass Communications (Aristotle University). Her research intends to answer questions on how the media portray conflicts, crises and diversity and how these portrayals affect people's perceptions, attitudes and emotions about the world we live in and about the "Others". She is currently (2019-2021) a European Social Fund Research Fellow holding a research project measuring the effects of media representations of the immigrant and refugee crisis on intergroup perceptions and attitudes between Greeks, refugees and immigrants. She is also an Adjunct Lecturer at the Department of Journalism and Mass Communications at Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece. She has participated in several international conferences and published in international scientific journals.





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Kapetanaki Daphne, Assistant Protection Officer, UNHCR Office in Greece



Daphne Kapetanaki has been working with the UNHCR Office in Greece since 2008. She has worked on asylum systems and reception conditions for asylum seekers in Greece as well as on the coordination of anti-racist initiatives. In 2014 she joined UNHCR Ethiopia for a threemonth emergency mission to support UNHCR's response to the influx of South Sudanese refugees into Western Ethiopia. Back in Greece, since 2016 she coordinated UNHCR's protection team supporting the ESTIA accommodation and cash programmes implemented by UNHCR and worked for the smooth transition of ESTIA programmes to the Greek authorities, to be concluded in 2021. Before joining UNHCR she worked for human rights

organizations in Greece and the UK (Amnesty International) supporting migrants and refugees and advocating for their rights. She received her education in politics at Sussex University and holds a master's degree in social anthropology of development from SOAS University of London.

# **Kegels Nicolien**

Nicolien Kegels is an anthropologist and teacher both through formal education (University of Amsterdam, New York University) and lived experience, and she has spent the past two decades working in intercultural and migration-related projects in different places in the world. Before coming to Lesvos, she was involved in the creation of an educational program for unaccompanied minors in Cairo (Egypt) and an intercultural exchange program for children from impoverished neighborhoods. When she first moved to Lesvos early 2017, she volunteered in the position of Education Coordinator at Mosaik Support Center. After spending the past three years working in Moria camp for MSF (Doctors Without Borders), she came back to Mosaik, where she now coordinates the educational programs as well as the Safe Passage bags workshop and Humade crafts workshop, putting her experience in intercultural education to good use.





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# Kouzinopoulou Maria

Journalist at the Athens- Macedonian News Agency

I started working as a journalist, while studying Archaeology at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki. So my journey to the world of journalism began with reporting on Arts for newspapers and magazines and continued with my master in Cultural Management, Communication and Media. Some years later, the economic crisis in Greece and its huge social impact brought me to the decision to focus on vulnerable humans and write their stories for the Athens- Macedonian News Agency. I wanted and still have as a principle to put humans in priority, especially the most vulnerable refugees.

# O' Ryan Joaquin

Joaquín O'Ryan was born in 1983 in Viña del Mar, Chile. He has spent the last years as a volunteer in Lesvos. Since 2019 he has been working in Lesvos Solidarity as Communication and Media responsible developing and implementing a communication strategy that represents its mission. From 2012 until 2017 he worked as a care giver and a member of the Administrative Committee in Estia Agios Nikolaos Foundation, a life sharing community with people with special needs, in Galaxidi, Central Greece. He holds an MA in Artistic Production specializing in Public Art from Universitat Politècnica de València.





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# **Pallis Stratis**



Ex-mayor of Mytilene- Lesvos (1982-1990) and President of the NGO "SINIPARKSI - Co-existence and Communication in the Aegean». Pharmacist, born in 1951.

# Pantelia Anna



Anna Pantelia is an award-winning Greek photojournalist. Her interest lies on humanitarian issues, social injustice and climate change.Since 2015 she is covering the European Refugee Crisis in Greece and Balkans but she has worked also in other contexts in Yemen, South Sudan and Mozambique. Her photographs and interviews have been published on some major media such as Newsweek, CNN, Al Jazeera, BBC, The Guardian and Vice News. She is collaborating as photographer and communications expert with international NGOs such as, Medecins Sans Frontieres, Action Aid, Save the Children, CARE and has been official photographer of CERN

between 2012-2014. In 2015 she was named as one of the best 30 documentary photographers under 30 by Magnum Photos and in 2017 she won the Special prize "For humanitarian photography" by International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC). Website: www.annapantelia.com, Email: pantelia.anna@gmail.com





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# **Papadopoulou Sofia**

Sofia Papadopoulou is a journalist. Graduate of the Department of Journalism and Mass Communications of AUTh, with postgraduate studies at the University of Cairo (Middle East Studies). Since 1999 she has been covering stories from the Balkans, issues related to the bilateral relations of Greece and refugee issues at the Athens/ Macedonian News Agency. During the crisis in Idomeni, she also cooperated with Balkan Investigative Reporting Network (BIRN), the Guardian and the producers of This American Life of the American NPR. She is a member of Association of Editors of Daily Newspapers of Macedonia-Thrace (ESIEM-TH) and of the International Federation of Journalists and research fellow at the foundation "The German Marshall Fund of the United States"

# Papageorgiou Dimitris, Vice rector, University of the Aegean

# **Papanastasiou Nikos**



Nikos Papanastasiou is a Lecturer in Modern and Media History at the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (Department of Communication & Media Studies). He studied Greek and European history at the University of Athens (Department of History and Archaeology) and holds a doctorate from the University of Augsburg/Germany. Among the modules he has taught on both undergraduate and postgraduate levels, are: Media History, International Crises and the Media, Propaganda in the 20th Century, Populism in European Politics. He has published numerous articles on WWI, Greek-German Relations in the 20th century (German Occupation of Greece and Collaboration), as well on Postwar and Media History. He

recently co-edited the volume (in Greek) "The 'Long' Greek-German 20th Century. The Dark Shadows in the Bilateral History" (Epikentro Publ. 2018).





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Pazianou Anthi, Journalist at Agency France Press (AFP News)

# Perdikouri Maria

Maria Perdikouri is a teacher in Secondary Public Education. For the last five years (2016-2021) she worked as a Refugee's Education Coordinator for the Ministry of Education in accommodation sites and hospitality centers for Asylum seekers in Lesvos.

# **Pleios George**



George Pleios is Professor and Director of the Laboratory for Social Research in Mass Media at the National and Kapodistrian University Athens (NKUA). He studied Sociology (BA and MA) in the Department of Sociology, Faculty of Philosophy, at the University of Sofia "Kliment Ohridski". At the same University, he completed in 1987 his doctoral studies in Sociology of Culture and Mass Media. His doctoral thesis "Cinema as Artistic Communication" was on Sociology of the Cinema. He worked as an adjunct professor at the Department of Sociology, the University of Crete since 1990 – 1993. After that (1994 – 1996) he worked as an adjunct professor at the Department of Primary Education, University of Ioannina and in 1996 he was

elected lecturer in the same department (1996 – 2001). He has also taught as Erasmus Visiting Professor at the Kadir Has University, Istanbul, Turkey (2019), as Visiting Professor at the School of Journalism, Fudan University, Shanghai, China (2018), at the Institute of Journalism "Taras Shevchenko", National University of Ukraine (2014), at the Department of Journalism, Fredrick University (Cyprus) (2012), at the Sofia University "St Kliment Ohridski" (Bulgaria) (2011), and he has given lectures as invited speaker in the KDU, Malaysia (2019), in the ELTE University of Budapest (Hungary, in 2013, 2016 and 2017, 2019), in the Institute of Social Sciences in Lisbon





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(Portugal, in 2013) and in the Cyprus University of Technology (2016), as well as at various universities in Greece.

He conducts regularly research of Greek printed, television and online news and has conducted more than 25 research projects as Primary Investigator. Some of his recent research projects are: The media coverage of the Greek referendum 2015 (2015 - 2016), Journalistic Ethics and the Greek Media (2014 - 2015), Crisis, Golden Down and the Media (2014), Crisis and political behavior – the representation of the right wing parties in the Greek media (2014), Crisis and the Facebook (2013), Media, crisis and journalistic impartiality (2012), The logic of medium in time of crisis (2011), The content in the social networking media: Facebook (2011), H1N1 flu, the media and the views of doctors and nurses (2010). He is a member of many Greek and international academic organizations and the current President of the Hellenic Sociological Society. During 2011 - 2014 period he was Vice Coordinator of the Research Network 18 (Media Sociology) of the European Sociological Association in 2011 - 2015. Since December 2017 he is Chairman of the Department of Communication and Media Studies, University of Athens. He is also a founding member of the European Centre for Press Freedom and Media Freedom (ECPMF) and former member of its Supervisory Board. Since November 2016 he is board member the Greek National Council for Radio and Television (NCRTV).

# **Psarra Christina**



Christina Psarra is the General Manager of the Médecins Sans Frontières Greek Section. She was the Head of Humanitarian Programs and recently she was the Head of the Doctors Without Borders Operations Research Unit in Brussels. She has many years of academic and professional experience coordinating and leading emergency missions in Southeast African countries such as Malawi, Mozambique and Uganda, but also in Egypt, Ukraine, Turkey and Greece. During the period 2015-2016, she coordinated search and rescue operations in the Aegean - on Lesvos - and in the Mediterranean Sea, off Libya. Christina also worked extensively with vulnerable populations in the urban

environment. In Marseilles, she coordinated nationally a pilot housing program for the homeless with serious mental health problems. In Greece, she designed and managed social welfare and





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health care programs and co-founded the "Refugees Welcome - Greece" project. As a researcher, she worked with academic institutions and pan-European networks, such as the European Anti-Discrimination Network; she studied humanitarian intervention and access to medical care, and she worked at the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars in Washington, DC, USA on refugee integration systems. She studied Philosophy at the University of Athens and Social Policy at Panteion and she holds an M.Sc. in NGOs and Development from the London School of Economics and Political Science. She is a graduate of the Jean Monnet European Center of Excellence and she was a Fellow of the Harvard Kennedy School Strategic Management Program for NGO Leaders. Christina was trained as negotiator at the US Peace Institute and undertook a Research Fellow position at the University of Maryland while she was awarded a Fullbright Fellowship. She writes regularly on a variety of topics related to humanitarian aid and human rights."

# Roumana Erasmia, Senior Protection Associate, UNHCR

### **Spatharidou Dimitra**



strategist Dimitra Spatharidou is a campaign and communication specialist with over 15 years of experience in designing and implementing campaigns and programs for national and international NGOs. Committed to equality, social and climate justice and a firm believer in the power of activism to achieve change, Dimitra is now working as a Public Engagement Manager in ActionAid Hellas and has been leading the organisation's campaigns on migration and climate justice. She holds a BA in Balkan, Slavic and Oriental Studies from the University of Macedonia, a Diploma in Journalism from London School of Journalism and an MA in Environmental Governance and Sustainable Development from Panteion University. In her free time, she's also active in

environmental and social justice movements and she's following an MA in Creative Writing from the Hellenic Open University.





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# Tsirigoti Zacharoula



Police Lt. General / Police Inspector General for Aliens and Border Protection (Hellenic Police Headquarters) Zacharoula Tsirigoti while working in the field of Aliens and Borders Protection, she participated as a speaker in several conferences hosted by the International Red Cross, the International Organisation for Migration, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), the United Nations' Children Fund (UNICEF), Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence, Exposec, the Hellenic Diplomatic Academy, the Hellenic Police Academy, the Municipality of Athens, the Immigration Law Institute (EDAM), etc. She participated as a

national representative or as the head of the Greek delegation in numerous meetings at EU, bilateral, multilateral and international level, on police matters .From 2012 to 2019, she participated in various high-level government delegations under the Prime Minister and various Ministers.

In recognition of her services, received various honours and awards by the Hellenic Republic, including the distinctions of Grand Officer and Commander of the Order of Honour and the distinction of Commander of the Order of the Phoenix, the Gold Cross of the Order of Honour and the Order of the Phoenix, the Medals of Merit (first class, second class and third class), as well as the Commendation Medals for Merit and Honour (first class, with the respective Star, second class and third class), the Medals for Meritorious Command (first and third class) and the Medal for Meritorious Service (first class). Received France's Gold Medal for Internal Security (Médaille de la sécurité intérieure) by the French Ambassador in Athens in a ceremony held at the French Embassy in Athens (March 1st, 2017). She was discharged on 22nd July 2019 with the rank of Police Lieutenant General and awarded the title of Police Inspector General Emerita for Aliens and Border Protection.





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# **Veizis Apostolos**



Dr. Apostolos Veizis (MD) is currently the Executive Director of INTERSOS (a non-profit humanitarian aid organization) in Greece. Prior to that, he worked at the HQ of *Médecins Sans Frontières* -Greece as Medical Director, Programs and Institutional Relations Director and Director of Medical Operational Support Unit (SOMA) from 2004 until 2021, as Head of Mission, Medical Coordinator and Medical Doctor for *Médecins Sans Frontières* and *Médecins du Monde* in Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Russian Federation, Albania, Egypt, Georgia, Greece, Turkey from 1995 to 2003. He participated on assessment, emergency assignments and evaluations in Kyrgyzstan, Morocco, Armenia, Lebanon, Syria, Ukraine, Turkmenistan, Zambia,

Malawi, Uzbekistan, North Macedonia, Cyprus and Tajikistan. He participated and had announcements in international and national medical congresses, events and contributed on publications of relevant articles. www.linkedin.com/in/apostolos-veizis-29610524 https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Apostolos\_Veizis/publications, twitter:@AVeizis





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# **Xypolytas Nikolaos**



Nikolaos Xypolytas was born in 1979 in Athens. He works as teaching staff at the University of the Aegean and Visiting Professor at the Department of Communication and Media Studies, NKUA who specializes on migration and labour. He studied Sociology at the University of Newcastle upon Tyne (2001-2004) and he received his Masters from University of Oxford (2005) with an emphasis on Economic Sociology. He completed his PhD in Greece at Panteion University, (2012) and looked at the consequences of migrant domestic work on the familial and social relationships of migrants. He teaches Sociology of Migration at the University of the Aegean and

has taught at Panteion University (Greece), at the University of Cyprus (Cyprus) as well as private institutions of higher education in Greece and abroad. His academic focus is on the reproduction of migrant labour and his recent research activity looks at refugees' long processes of marginalization which undermine their future social position in the host countries.