



Vangelis Markoutsas (BSBA '20) and Helene Plemmenos (BSPsy '22), Co-presidents HAEC Marketing Club

## HAEC Launches a New Marketing Club for Students and Alumni

Three HAEC graduates who stayed friends after college get together for dinner at a newly opened restaurant downtown. As they scan the menu, the MSPsy graduate is thinking that their server is trying a little too hard to be friendly, as if forced to wear a uniform that doesn't suit her. The MAT alumna has already noticed that the evening's dinner special *lavraki* has been mislabeled as "bream" in the menu's English translation. And the BSBA graduate has been thinking since he walked through the doors about the way the restaurant has branded itself through its logo, décor and music.

The scenario is a hypothetical one, but the point it makes is true: our passions shape the way we see the world. And while there are some who avoid thinking or talking about their profession once they leave the office, most of us who are passionate about what we do enjoy the chance to meet other practitioners, share experiences and exchange ideas.

Professional associations provide an important forum for doing this, but clubs, with their greater informality and parallel emphasis on having fun, is another. And there's now one at HAEC, designed specifically for Business students and graduates—the HAEC Marketing Club!

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

### Reforms and Changes

#### Dear Graduates,

Our University has successfully met a number of daunting challenges in its relatively brief history: the process of initial accreditation and subsequent re-accreditation, the recruitment of a diverse and growing student body, the development of a rigorous academic portfolio spanning 14 degree programs and the creation of a noteworthy program of community outreach, just to name a few. New challenges, of course, continue to arise, the design and implementation of an ambitious fundraising campaign and the growth of the Nashua campus being among the most important.

#### New Board Members

The University's Board of Trustees plays a key role in addressing these challenges as it is the governing body that sets the overall strategic objectives of the institution's future and oversees the pursuit of these objectives.

To serve this leadership role effectively, the Board of Trustees has taken steps to renew its membership in light of the development challenges ahead, both in terms of background and number. Recent additions to the Board have included prominent members of the Greek and American business communities such as Apostolos Tamvakakis, a businessman who has held executive leadership positions at AVIS, the National Bank of Greece and Mobil Oil Hellas and Nicholas James Vailas, a healthcare entrepreneur who has founded and currently oversees numerous healthcare services and also served as New Hampshire Commissioner of Health and Human Services.

In June 2018, Metropolitan Gabriel of New Ionia and Philadelphia, who is widely known for his pioneering role in modernizing the Church's administration and creating social programs in the greater Athens area, agreed to serve on the Board of Trustees.

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## Celebrate

### COMMENCEMENT 2019

**Wednesday, June 19th at 19:00**  
Roof Garden (8th floor), 22 Massalias St.

Don't miss the opportunity to socialize over a glass of wine, meet up with old classmates and instructors, and get to know our recent alumni!

**Let's stay Connected!**

On behalf of the  
Hellenic American University Alumni Association  
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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

# Alumni Success stories



## *Stathis Georgakopoulos (BSBA '12) & Elli Chatzineofytou (MAT '19)*

A key part of Hellenic American University's mission is to educate its students to be global citizens. It does this through the American education it provides, the recruitment of an international student body and the hands-on experience students have in Greek and multinational settings such as NGOs, corporations, seminars and conferences. This kind of education enables alumni to explore professional paths not only in Greece but also abroad. In this issue of Connect we present the success stories of two alumni who are developing their career in the global market.

**Stathis Georgakopoulos (BSBA '12)** has remained in Greece but built a career in the international market through multinational companies. Although he majored in Finance, Marketing quickly won over his heart. On his last day at the HAU he received a job offer from a Greek consulting company, where he started his career as a research associate and quickly assumed the role of digital communications officer, winning 2 European Commission communication awards for his project. As Stathis notes, "I honestly believe that direct feedback is what turns something good into something great." This is the reason why he chose to continue his career in retail, undertaking a dual role in sales and marketing for the Athens Harley-Davidson motorcycles dealership. "This allowed me" as he

states "to plan my marketing activities and also be the first one to receive the incoming results."

His current role is that of the Performance Marketing Specialist for /Data (SlashData), a global research company which analyzes and offers insights on the developer economy for the world's largest tech companies. He works on communicating the company's outreach activities through data-driven optimization, with a special focus on educating the world on marketing to developers through /Data's book and podcast. Stathis says that developer marketing is unique and "definitely the one with the most challenging audience and activities." In his work, he draws on the skills he acquired in both his degree studies but also the general education courses, such as critical thinking, public speaking and professional writing. As he points out "these are soft skills that are often overlooked at the start of your studies but trust me, they are the ones making the difference."

**Elli Chatzineofytou (MAT '19)** is broadening her intercultural and multinational experience thanks to her participation in an internship program. Elli moved to Spain as an intern for a multinational translation company that offers high-quality translation and localization services, certified translations and linguists' certification programs. As she states "before I started the internship, my main concern was the environment and the people, and whether I could keep up. I find the environment very important as it is what influences people's mood and motivation to work." Although she claims the experience is overwhelming, particularly at the start when she had to acquaint herself with new tools, processes and procedures, she is getting used to them. "This internship has taught me the significance of team work, as the environment of my internship is very team-oriented and without teamwork, the work we do would not be this efficient. Seeing as in the translation industry many of the projects are last-minute rush assignments, everyone needs to help in their own way to be able to deliver such projects. I am sure that I will still learn a lot more in the following months of my internship, as I have already learned so much in 2 months", she says. "I am very grateful for my MA studies in Translation. Without it, I wouldn't be where I am today. An intern at one of the fastest growing translation agencies in the world."

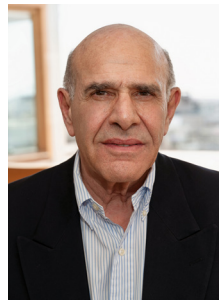




## Dr. Ioannis Chalikias Appointed Director of Business Programs

Dr. Chalikias brings to the University an impressive track record in teaching, research and consultancy. Before coming to the University, he was Professor of Quantitative Analysis for the Department of Marketing and Communication at the Athens University of Economics and Business, where he now holds the title of Professor emeritus. He also held visiting appointments at the European Management School at the University of Surrey and the University of Strathclyde Graduate Business School. His leadership experience encompasses service in senior administrative and advisory positions in higher education, government and private sector, including Vice Rector of Economic Affairs at AUEB and Vice Chairman of the State Deposit and Loan Fund. He's currently Business Consultant and Senior Research Officer at the Export Research Centre of the Pan-Hellenic Exporters Association.

Dr. Chalikias has already applied this expertise to the University's Business programs. The faculty have approved the plan to rationalize the MBA course offerings. This project was begun by the Business faculty in Fall 2018, foresees a revision in the total number of required courses and scheduling optimizations that together will enable full-time students to complete the degree in 18 months without compromising the academic rigor of the degree.



**In February 2019, Hellenic American University's BSBA and MBA programs acquired new leadership with the appointment of Dr. Ioannis Chalikias as Director of Business Programs.**

As Director of the Business programs, Dr. Chalikias also helped facilitate the final preparation of the proposal submitted to the New Hampshire Higher Education Commission for Hellenic American University's new Master of Science in Sales Management. The new program, which was largely developed by Visiting Professor

Dr. George Avlonitis and Assistant Professor Dr. Damian Giannakis, was approved by HEC this May; the first cohort of students is expected to start in Fall 2019. As Dr. Chalikias notes, the MSSM is the first graduate program in Greece to focus so deliberately on sales management, providing, in his word, "an in-depth understanding of strategic sales management as found in successful businesses worldwide—and the competencies and tools they need to put these principles into practice." (More

information on the program can be found on the HAEC website at <https://www.haec.gr/en/master-sales-management> and in the next issue of *Connect*).

An econometrician and statistician whose research has appeared in such prestigious journals as *Management Decision*, and *The Journal of Global & Brand Management*, Dr. Chalikias was educated at the Athens University of Economics and Business, London School of Economics and Warwick University, where he earned a B.Sc. in Economics, a M.Sc. in Statistics and a Ph.D. in Applied Econometrics, respectively.

## Professors Dr. Ioannis Filippopoulos and Dr. Panayotis Kalozoumis



In this issue *Connect* shines its spotlight on not one but two recently appointed members of the Hellenic American University faculty: **Assistant**

**Professors Dr. Ioannis Filippopoulos, Director of the Informatics Programs and Dr. Panayotis Kalozoumis, Director of the Research Institute and Coordinator of the undergraduate Engineering program.**

Both were appointed in February 2019 but arrived at the University from very different career pathways. Dr. Filippopoulos joins the University having served as a senior officer and ICT manager with the Army General Staff and as Chief Information Officer for a large, international shipping company. Not surprisingly, his career reflects his own academic background: he earned an M.Sc. in Information Technologies from the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens as well as an MBA from Middlesex University (London) before receiving his Ph.D. in Computer and Networks Engineering from the University of Thessaly in November 2012. He has also served as adjunct faculty member at the University of Thessaly for the last 4 years. Before that, he was a lecturer at the Army General Staff Institute for Information Technology Officers.

Dr. Kalozoumis comes to the University in the wake of an international research career in theoretical physics. His scientific path has covered appointments as a Research Associate in the Department of Material Science at the University of Patras and another in the Physics Department at the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, where he earned a B.Sc., M.Sc. and Ph.D. in Physics. He has also held year-long post-doctoral appointments at the Center of

Quantum and Optical Technologies in Hamburg, Germany and the Laboratoire d'Acoustique de l'Université du Maine in Le Mans, France.

Despite their different backgrounds, both have a lot in common. Both share a passion for science and a keen interest in communicating this passion to their students—even (or especially) those who are not majoring in a scientific discipline, like many of Dr. Kalozoumis' students in the math and science courses he teaches in the General Education program. "It's incredibly important," he says, "that students acquire the habits of thinking that come from the scientific method. The importance of posing the right kinds of questions when they come across information or explanations. Questions like: Is this true? Why is it true? How do I know it's true? Can I test it?"

As Director of the Research Institute, Dr. Kalozoumis is eager to see more students become involved in the life of the Institute. "Some of the capstone research projects our seniors and graduate students do are excellent," he notes, "and we could showcase them through the Institute." Another priority is to raise awareness of the research that other faculty members are doing. As he points out, "we've got terrific scientific talent here and their work deserves more exposure. Besides, getting that visibility will also help the University's ranking."

For his part, Dr. Filippopoulos is eager to help students explore what he calls "the labyrinth of Informatics". For him, the University's Informatics programs, which he oversees as Director, are designed to challenge students to "experience the pleasure of discovery and the satisfaction of mastering a complex skill set."

As one would expect, the duo's for science spills over into their enthusiasm for

scientific research. Dr. Filippopoulos has long been interested in the innovative use of technology to enhance safety and security. An expert in Geographical Information Systems, he has become increasingly engaged in research in areas such as big data, Artificial Intelligence, and blockchain platforms in the shipping industry.

Dr. Kalozoumis' research, on the other hand, is in large part more pure science than applied. His work, which has appeared in prestigious peer-reviewed journals such as the *Annals of Physics*, *Physical Review* and *The Journal of Physics*, has focused on a range of theoretical topics in wave physics.

The near simultaneous arrival of this diversely talented pair of educator-researchers promises to bolster not only the informatics and engineering programs but also the University's plans for STEM education in general, from the Gen Ed science curriculum to a possible STEM summer enrichment program for high school students. As Martin Luther King once said: "we may have all come on different ships, we're in the same boat now."

### New Board for the Hellenic American University Alumni Association

The Hellenic American University Alumni Association is pleased to announce its new Board:

- Georgia Dimitropoulou (BAELL '12, MAT '13)
- Maria Gogoli (MBA '09)
- Eleni Koumpanioudaki (MACI '17)
- Anna-Maria-Marina Mavrainou (MACI '14)
- Georgios Panou (BSIT '16)
- Stelios Papageorgiou (PMBA '14)
- Vasiliki Petropoulou (MBA '18)
- Angeliki Reppa (MBA '15)
- Eleni Rizou (MAT '17)
- Ifigeneia Roulia (MAT '12, MACI '13)
- Laura Simoes (MBA '15)
- Miriam Siwale (BSBA '12, MBA '15)
- George Tekakis (PMBA '14)
- Eleni Tsigirioti (PMBA '15)
- Aggeliki Tzigkou (MAT '12)

The Executive Committee of the Board will be elected by the end of June 2019. You will be notified of the Committee's new members in an email.



## A Multicultural Student Body



Hellenic American University has long prided itself on the international character of its student and alumni body. In 2009, the University attracted students from 18 countries; today a decade later, more than 30 nationalities from across the globe are represented. European students from Albania, Germany, the UK and elsewhere have been joined by students from India, the Philippines, Bangladesh, Vietnam and several African countries, for example, the Congo and Nigeria among others.

The cultural diversity that this international presence brings to our classrooms makes for a richer learning environment. At the same time, it enhances students' skills at working effectively in multi-cultural teams—a key competence in an ever more globalized economy. It is also at the very heart of the University's mission to provide "interculturally informed" education and foster values such as diversity and internationalism.

The growth in the number of international students reflects a focused recruitment effort launched by the University in 2017-18. The campaign brought 9 new students from Bangladesh and India; in Spring 2019, an additional 12 new students from India and Vietnam were enrolled in our Bachelor's and Master's programs on our Athens Campus. At our campus in Nashua, one student from India joined the student body in Spring 2019. These numbers are promising and we are expecting even more in September since we have received a great number of international applications.

Joining a new country to study can be quite challenging for students. The University has created ways to support international students, such as Cultural Diversity Groups offered by the Counseling Center and the services of the Office of Student Affairs. But perhaps the greatest support is to be found among the students and faculty themselves. As Karthikeyan Comaleshwaram (MBA '21) from India notes, "The great thing about the HAU is that classes are small, which really helps you and your classmates focus on learning."

Dr. Ermioni Karachaliou  
Director of Student Affairs & International Programs

Thenia Batanidou  
Admissions and Recruitment Officer



## Advancing Migrant Women

"Advancing Migrant Women" is an EU-funded project that brings together five partners from across Europe, among them, Hellenic American University/Hellenic American College. The project is part of a broader European effort to address employment and integration issues that migrant women face and to raise awareness amongst employers of the benefits of recruiting these women. Specifically, the project will create high-quality training material and support for migrant women to heighten their employability and develop entrepreneurship skills.

Our partners in this project are Bifrost University (Iceland), Símenntunarmiðstöðin á Vesturlandi (Iceland), Centro Per Lo Sviluppo Creativo "Danilo Dolci" (Italy) and INOVA Consultancy (United Kingdom). Our role as project partners is to implement a pilot training program that is designed to heighten participants' self-confidence, encourage strength-based learning and foster entrepreneurship skills and creativity. A mentoring program called "Career Circles™" will also be launched, where women will be able to increase their transferable soft skills.

Women taking part in the project have told us that the program has been an eye-opener, enabling them to rediscover themselves and dare to dream again. Things that they thought were impossible in the past now seem feasible. What they have realized is that they have to keep working towards their goal.

I myself participated in the first pilot training that took place at HAEC and was amazed at the great work they're doing and how it has positively affected all group members, including me. So when Dr. Sophia Protopapa, Director of the Career Development Office, invited me to participate as member of the team, it was a no brainer to say yes. My role as an MBA graduate focuses more on administrative tasks, communication and social media. What I hope to gain from this experience is the holistic know-how and run the pilot training for youth in Greece.

Miriam Siwale (BSBA '12, MBA '15)  
Member of the Alumni Association Board



## Buddies & Mentors: Sharing Our Insight and Experience

Many of us found our first weeks as freshmen at Hellenic American College somewhat disorienting, if not overwhelming. Unfamiliar faces, a radically different approach to learning, a daunting reading list—in English—and more written assignments than we'd ever done before—all made the process of acclimating ourselves to college life a challenge. This year, though, new students had some extra help in making this transition: a student mentor or buddy.

An initiative of the Hellenic American College Student Council, the buddy system is offered by students in their second year of studies or later who have volunteered to act as student mentors to freshmen. Their role is to help new students at Hellenic American College feel like members of the community and participate in student life.

It's hoped that after graduation, student buddies will go on to become alumni mentors. Sharing knowledge and professional experience is of great importance for the career development of all alumni and the Hellenic American University Alumni Association supports mentoring through its Alumni Mentorship program, a joint initiative with the Career Development Office and the Office of Student Affairs. The program aims to bring together students with alumni who serve as mentors, who provide career advice, and share their expertise and insight on the workplace and job market.

Both the Buddy system and the Alumni Mentorship program are excellent ways to make a real difference in the lives of current students and alumni as well as enhancing and reconnecting the members of the University's community.

We're hoping to recruit additional alumni mentors, so if you're interested in finding out more about the program please contact either Dr. Monica Karachaliou, Director of Student Affairs & International Programs at [ekarachaliou@hauniv.edu](mailto:ekarachaliou@hauniv.edu) or Katerina Saich, Alumni Affairs Coordinator at [alumniaffairs@hauniv.edu](mailto:alumniaffairs@hauniv.edu).

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Launched in February 2019, the HAEC Marketing Club is the brainchild of Dr. Damianos Giannakis, Assistant Professor of Business at Hellenic American University. His idea was to find a way for students and alumni to get together with fellow marketing enthusiasts and explore innovative ideas, practices and strategies in the field.

The Club has already arranged a series of talks given by expert practitioners in the field. The first was given by Gerasimos Gerolymatos (PMBA '09), Marketing Director at Kraft Paints, who spoke about marketing in the industrial sector on March 15<sup>th</sup>. His talk aimed at providing an accurate look into the daily functions of a marketing, advertising and communications department. Gerasimos said he thought the Club was a "brilliant idea", as it enabled the Club's members to benefit from the experience and insights of mature marketers. He adds, "I found the interaction with all the students to be very useful for myself as well since most of them had questions, interactions and even corrections about their views on subjects discussed. It is essential for all of us to interact, exchange and enrich our marketing minds by simply 'talking' about our issues."

The second marketing talk was delivered by Evi Tsouraki from Palladian Communication Specialists under the title "What Public Relations is all about?" on April 12<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Milton Papadakis, Media & Marketing Specialist presented the third talk on May 8<sup>th</sup> which was on "Achieving Effectiveness & Efficiency in Media".

The Club, which in just a few months' time has already grown to nearly 20 members, is led by co-presidents Helene Plemmenos (BSPsy '22) and Vangelis Markoutsas (BSBA '20). Their vision of the Club is to serve as an open, creative space for alumni and students to broaden their knowledge of marketing strategies and practices and at the same time create opportunities for networking in the field. "The Marketing Club's core principles," they note "are teamwork, determination and empowerment."

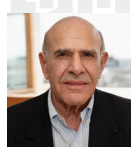
Members meet once a month to handle Club business and plan future activities, but also to socialize and share ideas. Among the events being planned for the near future are additional practitioner talks, one-hour wine & cheese get-togethers with marketing managers, and an expert-led session on creative branding – logo / packaging design.

Student clubs have long formed part of the University's philosophy of 360° learning – the idea that learning takes place not only in the classroom but also outside it. Service-based learning (Politis), practicums and, of course, the Capstone all afford opportunities for learning that go beyond readings, lectures and class discussions. MACI graduates, for example, will remember the mock conferences they interpreted for, while many MAAL and MSPsy alumni consider their practicums a high point of their studies. And, recent BSBA graduates who took marketing classes with Dr. Giannakis will recall the in-company field work they did for their semester-long research project.

There's no reason this kind of 360° learning shouldn't continue after graduation. In fact, professionals can't survive in the long-term without a commitment to life-long learning. If you're interested in becoming a member of the Marketing Club—or in delivering a marketing talk yourself—please contact Dr. Damianos Giannakis at [dgiannakis@hauniv.edu](mailto:dgiannakis@hauniv.edu).



# — Faculty News —



**Dr. Ioannis Chalikias**, Director of Business Programs, served as a member of the Organizing Committee of the Panhellenic Exporters Association Conference on “Growth Based on Exports: The Path to Future”, which took place in Athens on April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019. Among the participants were ministers, ambassadors, entrepreneurs and Presidents of Chambers of Commerce.



**Dr. Ioannis Filippopoulos**, Director of Engineering and Information Technology programs, presented at the 5<sup>th</sup> Facility Management Conference which took place in Athens, Greece, on March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019. The title of his presentation was “IoT and Smart Grids: A new era in energy management, efficiency and sustainability for F.M.” and can be found at [https://www.dropbox.com/s/7i9vea91qbxjmr/IoT\\_SmartGrids.pdf?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/s/7i9vea91qbxjmr/IoT_SmartGrids.pdf?dl=0). He also presented a paper on “Digital Transformation: A Maritime Success Story” during the 4<sup>th</sup> Digital Business Transformation Conference entitled “Will you Survive or Thrive?” which was held in Athens on May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019.



Two papers co-authored by **Dr. Panayotis Kalozoumis**, Director of the Hellenic American University Research Center and Coordinator of the Engineering program were recently published in the *Physical Review*: “Open and closed spin chains as multiprocessor wires: Optimal engineering and reachability” (abstract available here: <https://journals.aps.org/pr/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevA.99.022331>) and “Duality of bounded and scattering wave systems with local symmetries” (abstract here: See <https://journals.aps.org/pr/abstract/10.1103/PhysRevA.99.012117>)



**Dr. Themis Kaniklidou**, Associate Professor of Translation Studies, contributed a chapter

on “Left-wing populist discourses in the Greek press” in the edited volume on *Populist Discourse: Critical Approaches to Contemporary Politics* that was recently published by Routledge. You can find more here: <https://www.crcpress.com/Populist-Discourse-Critical-Approaches-to-Contemporary-Politics/Tenorio-Benitez-Castro-Cesare/p/book/9781138541481>



**Dr. Ermioni (Monica) Karachaliou**, Director of Student Affairs, will participate for the second time in the conference organized by the Society of the Medieval Mediterranean, which will be held this year in Barcelona on July 8-11. Dr. Karachaliou's talk will be on “The Man of Sorrows: An example of Cultural Interaction in the Medieval Mediterranean”.



Congratulations to **Dr. Vasilis Manousakis**, adjunct faculty member in the BAELL, MAT and MACI programs, on being awarded a grant to participate in the New York Writers Workshop online course (March 2019). In their award, the panelists cited the cosmopolitanism and originality of the poetry and prose. Dr. Manousakis was also selected to participate in the Deluxe's SIRIUS Translator Certification Program and join a small group of translators working on high-profile Netflix projects.



In parallel with his teaching at Hellenic American College, Coordinator of the MA in Conference Interpreting, **Petros Romaos** remains active as a professional interpreter. Recent assignments included work as chief interpreter for the Annual General Meeting of the Islands Commission and the April 2019 Economist Conference. He also interpreted for the United States Ambassador to Greece, Geoffrey Ross Pyatt during his official visit to the island of Aegina.

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The quartet of new members is rounded out with the presence of Dr. Nikolaos - Socrates Labroukos, an experienced senior executive and business consultant who has advised numerous mid- and large-size organizations in the private and public sectors in a range of challenging projects related to strategic, business and corporate development.

## Appointment of New Vice-President

Many of you know Dr. Leonidas Tzonis as the University's Chief Financial Officer, a responsibility he's successfully shouldered for the last seven years. Some of you may have even had the opportunity to meet him in class as an instructor. Given Dr. Tzonis' key role in ensuring the University's sound financial health but also the good stewardship, transparency and fairness with which he continues to administer the financial resources, I am pleased to announce to you his appointment in March 2019 as Executive Vice President of Hellenic American University, Nashua NH and Hellenic American College, Athens, Greece. I look forward to working with him in his expanded role at the University, a role I am confident he will discharge with the same zeal and sense of responsibility that he has displayed in his work as CFO.

## Conference Publication

I am also pleased to announce the publication of the proceedings of the three-day conference we organized in collaboration with the Hellenic American Union on October 20 -22, 2017, entitled “In Search of Reform in Modern and Contemporary Greece”.

Over 40 panelists, including historians, economists, journalists, political figures and artists, took part in the Conference's round-table discussions, which explored issues of social, economic and political reform from several vantage points such as the role of society, political institutions and ideology, cultural issues urban space and the built environment. The Conference opened with a talk of the Keynote Speaker, the Chairman of the Bank of Greece, Yannis Stournaras.

The proceedings will be published under the title “Μεταρρύθμιση: Την θέλουμε;” (“Reform: Do we want it?”) by Metamesonykties Publications.

Leonidas Phoebeus Koskos  
President

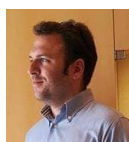
## Alumni News



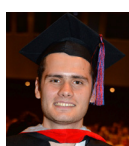
**Albesa Aliu** (BSPsy '17) was admitted to the MA of Arts in Peace-building and Collaborative Environment program at Canadian Mennonite University in Canada, Winnipeg.



**Christos Vlachogiannis** (MBA '18) was hired a few months ago as Product Manager at Inventor A.G. S.A. His key responsibilities are managing managing products specifications and features that the company distributes in the Greek market and abroad.



**Kostas Grylonakis** (MBA '19) is a store manager at Lalaounis Jewelry shops.



**Matthew Nikas** (BSBA '16) was hired as Service Delivery Coordinator at the British House of Commons. In his new position, Matthew finds himself drawing on the management skills he acquired during his Business Administration studies. He is responsible for ensuring that facilities services in the House are provided as requested and on time,

and his duties bring him into contact with a wide range of people, including Members of Parliament, House of Commons staff and representatives of external organizations. As part of his job responsibilities, he also coordinates a mobile team to allocate staff resources in response to unplanned tasks.

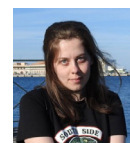


**Iris Vasileiadou** (MAAL-TESOL '16) is now studying for her PhD in Applied Linguistics at Hellenic American University. She gained TESOL certification at Level 7 linked to the European Qualifications Framework and an integrated component of the MAAL TESOL program. This qualification enabled her to teach English in the UK for two consecutive summers. Currently she's teaching English at the Hellenic American Union, Athens and is a Teaching Assistant for the MAAL TESOL program at the Hellenic American University.



**Athanasios Varvouzios** (MBA '18) recently joined Intrasoft International, a leading European IT solutions and services group, as an IT

Service Manager. He is responsible for the Service Desk, in a multi-functional role, focused on the delivery of high-quality services.



**Angela Ntai** (BSPsy '18) is continuing her academic journey by pursuing a Master's degree in Applied Psychology at the University of Bedfordshire, UK.



**Adjola Boshku** (BSPy '17) is currently pursuing an MSc in Forensic Psychology at the University of Bedfordshire, UK.



**Maria Vasiliki Osana** (BSPsy '18) is pursuing two Master degrees at the same time. She is studying Applied Psychological Sciences at the Università degli studi di Milano Bicocca and Counseling and Psychotherapy. She is also working for an Institute of Mental Health and is actively engaged in the political life of Greece.

### Share Your Good News!

Have you found a new job or been given a promotion? Gotten an article published or run a marathon? Moved to a new town or city? We invite you to share your news and accomplishments with the rest of the alumni community. Just email us at [alumninews@hauniv.edu](mailto:alumninews@hauniv.edu) a short note about what you've been up to recently. We'd be happy to share your news in a coming issue of the Alumni Newsletter.

### The Alumni Association Board

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