

## **George Prokopakis**

Mr. Prokopakis graduated from the Greek Military Academy. He served as an Artillery officer and then was transferred to the Information Technology Department. He studied Computer Science at the US Naval Postgraduate School, Monterey, CA. He worked on Command and Control Systems (C4I) and Healthcare Information Systems (HIS), and taught programming courses at the Greek Army Computer Programmers School until 2010 and at New York College since 2001.

Interests: Programming Languages, Algorithms, Web Technologies, and Databases.

## **Dr. Georgios Papamichail**

Dr. Papamichail (CCDP, CCNP, CCNA Sec, CCAI, Microsoft Specialist) holds a Ph.D. in Group Decision Making from the Athens University of Economics and Business and a Diplng in Computer Engineering and Informatics from the University of Patras, Greece.

He works as Head at the Department of Coordination of the Institute of Training, Greek National Center of Public Administration, and is interested in Network Management and Security, Group Decision making and negotiations, Clustering applications, Management Information Systems and Business Strategy and Innovation in Public Administration.

During the last 20 years he has worked as an Adjunct Assistant Professor in Information Systems at the Department of Management Science and Technology at the Athens University of Economics and Business (AUEB), as a senior researcher at the Eltron (the e-Business Center) at the AUEB, as Scientific Personnel at the Greek Open University, and as a consultant to the Greek Government and to a number of Greek firms.

He is the main Cisco Instructor at the Greek National Center of Public Administration and has received teaching awards from Cisco (7 times Instructor Excellence Award 2012-2019), New York College (2010) and the Athens University of Economics and Business (2005). He has published more than 40 papers in well-known journals and conferences such as the European Journal of Operational Research, Journal of Decision Systems and the Computer Journal. (Link to full profile: [linkedin.com/in/papamichailgeorge;](https://www.linkedin.com/in/papamichailgeorge/))

## **Dr. Andrew Salisbury**

Dr. Salisbury (FHEA BEng HONS PhD IEEE), after achieving a first-class Honors degree at Lancaster University in England and completing his PGCE, was offered an unconditional PhD which he undertook in the year 2000. His PhD was based on a revolutionary electronic computerized system in conjunction with Siemens Ltd. During his PhD he traveled all over the world presenting his work in such places like Singapore, America and Malaysia. Andrew has also won numerous awards for presenting his work; the top two being recognized as a younger Engineer award at the House of Commons in London and top presenter in IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers) in the UK. After successfully completing the project with Siemens, Andrew followed his dreams to live in a Mediterranean climate and soon after found himself in Greece. Recently, Andrew has just taken his fellowship (FHEA) in teaching and learning at Sheffield University completing a 2-year postgraduate qualification. At New York College he has been teaching MIS and computer applications for numerous years.

## **Panagiotis Fiabolis**

Mr. Fiabolis has an extensive experience in R&D, with more than 28 years as a Software Engineer, 15 of which in the Greek Army, from where he retired as Colonel, Director of C3I (Command, Control, Computer and Intelligence) Systems, and 13 years in PEOPLECERT as an R&D Director and recently IT Director, responsible for the Software Development and the IT infrastructure and innovative services. He holds a Masters' degree in Software Engineering from the US Naval Postgraduate School, he has graduated from the Greek Army War College and he has been certified as Cyber Resilience Practitioner, PRINCE2 Practitioner, IT Governance COBIT5 and DevOps Leadership. Additionally, he has been lecturing Software Engineering and IT/Business related courses in undergraduate and postgraduate levels for more than 20 years. He has been lecturing in several Universities at both undergraduate and postgraduate level for 20 years.

## **Kyvele Constantina Diareme (Doctoral Candidate)**

Ms. Diareme is finishing her Ph.D. in Computer Science and specifically in Web Geographic Information Systems at the Informatics Laboratory of the Agricultural University of Athens (AUA), Greece. Her research, results of which have been presented in international conferences and published in peer-reviewed scientific books, focuses on the proposal of new evolutionary algorithms for the personalisation of thematic tours as well as on the management of Spatial Big Data. She holds a Degree in Agricultural Economics and Rural Development and two Master of Science (M.Sc.) degrees, one in Agricultural Economics and Development and one in Geoinformatics.

Among others, she has participated in the proposal/submission and implementation of co-financed programs (H2020, ENPI CBC MED, ENI CBC MED, NSRF) aiming at innovation withing the sector of ICT (Information Technology and Communications), and has worked as an advisor for the Greek government.

Kyvele has extensive experience in e-learning practices. She has participated in programs dedicated to educating tutors use platforms for both synchronous and asynchronous e-learning as well as in the Greek Open Courses program (NSRF 2007-2013) dedicated to the adaptation of courses taught in Greek Universities and Technological Institutes to the digital environment.

She has been teaching Computer Science, GIS and IS related courses since 2015.

## **Thomas Karanikas**

Mr. Karanikas completed his studies in Automation Engineer from T.E.I. Thessaloniki and afterwards he obtained a Master's Degree in Information Systems from the Open University of Cyprus. He is a Cisco certified associate and he is also actively involved in seminars of Cisco Routing & Switching – Security - Collaboration, Microsoft Server, and Information Systems of Sap and SoftOne. He has been working for IT companies for the past 20 years as systems' and networks administrator. In 2013 he began teaching at vocation training institutes and he has been an instructor and system and networks administrator at New York College, Thessaloniki Campus, since 2017.

## **Dr. Polyxeni Vourna**

Dr. Vourna (MSC, PhD) is a Doctor of Engineering, an active Researcher in the field of Telecommunications, Spectroscopy and an experienced academic in the fields of telecommunications and networking engineering. She has been awarded with a Bachelor of Physics from the University of Patras, a Master of Science on Data Communication Systems from the University of Brunel (UK) and a Doctor of Engineering from the National Technical University of Athens (NTUA). She has worked as a lecturer on the Technological Educational Institute of Sterea Ellada, for four years, in the fields of telecommunications and electronic circuit design. Polyxeni is also a speaker of English, German, Turkish and French, and has published ten research papers and ten refereed conferenced papers as well. She teaches courses such as Wireless Data Technologies.

### **Dimitrios Pissanidis**

Colonel (Informatics) Dimitrios Pissanidis is a CIS Manager and INFOSEC in the Hellenic National Defense General Staff. He holds a bachelor's degree from Hellenic Military Academy (Class: 1994) and an MSc in ENGINEERING - ECONOMIC SYSTEMS(MBA) from the NATIONAL TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF ATHEENS (NTUA) in the Management of Technological Systems. He started his career in Informatics in 2001, and since has served in several positions: Analyst - Computer programmer in the C4ISR of the Greek Army, Web master of the Hellenic Army General Staff website ([www.army.gr](http://www.army.gr)), Network Administrator (Communications & Network Security), Head officer in INFOSEC and IT (Security and Risk Management), Chief Information Security Officer (Information Security Operations) at the Cyberwarfare Division of the Cyprus Army.

Dimitrios holds several International professional certifications on Management and Information Security (CISSP, PRINCE2, ISO 27001 Lead Auditor). He is also skilled in Cybersecurity, Operations, and Defense in KALI Linux. He has also graduated from the Hellenic Supreme Joint War College and the Hellenic National Defense College (Defense Policy and National Strategy).

### **Dr. Anastasios Liapakis**

Dr. Liapakis holds a bachelor's degree in Agricultural Economics and Rural Development from the Agricultural University of Athens, Greece. He received his master's degree (MBA) in Business Administration with a specialization in Digital Marketing, and his Ph.D. in Informatics in the field of Big Data Analytics from the Informatics Laboratory of the Agricultural University of Athens. His Ph.D. research was co-financed by the State Scholarships Foundation (IKY). His main research interest revolves around Data Structures, Big Data Analytics, Knowledge Engineering, Management Information Systems, Machine Learning techniques, Natural Language Processing and Sentiment Analysis applied in problems concerning Management, Economics and Marketing.

His notable research work, published in national and international peer-reviewed Journals and Conferences, has got a significant number of citations. He has participated in three EU leading research projects in the area of Informatics. He has been teaching Informatics, Programming, and Management Information Systems for the past 4 years.

### **Flora Simou**

Ms. Simou graduated from the School of Engineer of "Information & Communication Systems Engineering" with a diploma thesis in the field of security. She holds a Master's Degree in Networking with diploma thesis in collaboration with the National Center for Scientific Research "Demokritos". She is currently a PhD candidate in the Department of Informatics & Telematics of Harokopio University of Athens and her research interests revolve around the techno-economic analysis and development of "IoT" applications. She has worked as a quality assurance coordinator for a well-known multinational company in projects of the Hellenic Telecommunications Group. She has been teaching ICT courses such as "Network Management", " Logic Design", "Electronics", "Software Testing Processes" και "Enterprise Systems Development" since 2016,

### **Penny Vlagos**

Ms. Vlagos was educated in the USA. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree in International Business and an MBA from Loyola University Chicago in Human Resource Management. Having moved to Greece in 1994, she worked for a multinational subscription television company as the Human Resource Officer. Penny has been teaching Business courses for New York College since 1999 at both the undergraduate and graduate level. As a licensed Leadership trainer for Dale Carnegie, she had the opportunity to conduct training events for the largest organizations in Greece. For the last year, she has also been teaching an online course in Lebanon through the Center for Distance Learning of Empire State College. Having the ability to build relationships with her students, she is in touch not only with current students but alumni as well.

### **Nena Gkorou**

Mrs. Gkorou (BSc, MSc) is a full-time Mathematics lecturer and Head of Student Advisors at New York College. She holds a Degree from the Department of Mathematics from the University of Crete and a Master's degree on Pure Mathematics from the University of Patras. She has worked as a lecturer of Higher-Level Mathematics for eleven years at the Hellenic Air Force Academy and the Technical School of Air Force. She has also conducted seven seminars and workshops on universities and mathematic societies. She has published four research papers on mathematics and presented her research work in international conferences. She is a member of the Hellenic Mathematical Society and a member of the Union of Greek Mathematicians.

### **Elena Baltzoglou**

Mrs. Baltzoglou (Bsc, MSc) is a Graduate of the Department of Applied Mathematics of the National Technical University of Athens (NTUA) and has also been certified as a Mathematics Teacher from the same University. She has also received a Master's Degree in Marine Engineering Management from the University of Greenwich via collaboration with New York College. She has been teaching mathematics for six years, two of which on different study programmes offered by New York College. She is working in a known insurance company, as business analyst at shipping and car sector. Her academic interests include bio-statistics, Data Analysis with R programming, and Mathematics with Python.

