

## **Programme Director: Mark Clements**

Mr. Mark Clements (BSc, PGCE, CCNA, CNAP, PhD candidate): Mark holds a BSc in Electronic Engineering from the University of Kent and a Postgraduate Certificate in Education from the University of Greenwich. He is also a Cisco Certified Network Associate. Currently, he is pursuing a PhD involving research on the internet inflicted evolution in the communication between human beings, and how this can be exploited. Mark has worked as an examination setter, moderator and marker for the Institute for Management of Information Systems during the time period 1997-2004. Since 1997 he has worked as a lecturer at the University of Greenwich, moving up to the senior lecturer position in 2002. He has been the associate head of the department of Computer & Communications Engineering since 2005. Mark has a very methodical, yet innovative approach to educational issues, especially in his field of expertise. His teaching style and overall personality are very appealing to students both overseas and in Greece, as witnessed in his frequent visiting lectures.

## **Local Programme Manager: Ioannis Pandithas, PhD**

**Dr. Ioannis Pandithas:** Ioannis has graduated from the Technological Educational Institute of Piraeus with a Major on Electronic Engineering. He has studied in the University of Liverpool in England and was awarded a Master of Engineering in Microelectronic Systems and Telecommunications, with a research project for Airbus and Flight Refueling LTD and a Doctorate in Philosophy in Microwave Engineering, Plasma Science and Scientific Computing in 2003, funded by the British Government. He has also worked until 2005 for the University of Liverpool as a Senior Research Fellow in various areas of Electronic Engineering and Computing for the British Government and NATO. He has also published seven research papers in Scientific Journals and presented scientific work in eight International Conferences worldwide and co-authored a book concerning the advances in plasma science. In 2007 he received a special Congressional Recognition from the United States House of Representatives for teaching Science and Engineering to the young generations. He has also taught web design, databases and graphics design in the University of Liverpool Continuous Education Scheme. Currently, he is a senior Lecturer in New York College and his expertise focuses on Electronics Engineering (Digital Electronics, Microwave Engineering, Microprocessors) and Computing (Web Development, Databases and Internet Engineering and Security). He is a Member of the Institute of Electrical Engineers and an Associate Member of the Institute of Physics.

## **Local Tutors**

**Dr. Georgios Papamichail:** (CCDP, CCNP, CCNA Sec, CCAI): George holds a Ph.D in Group Decision Making from the Athens University of Economics and Business and a DiplIng 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. During the last 15 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 Eltrun (the e-Business Center) at the AUEB, as Scientific Personnel at the Greek Open University, and as a consultant to the Greek Government and a number of Greek firms. He is the main Cisco Instructor at the Greek National Center of Public Administration and has received teaching awards both from Cisco (Instructor Excellence 2012), New York College (2010) and the Athens University of Economics and Business (2005). He has published more than 30 papers in well-known journals and conferences such as the European Journal of Operational Research, Journal of Decision Systems and the Computer Journal.

**Dr. Ioannis Venetis:** Ioannis possesses a Diploma in Computer & Informatics Engineering from the University of Patras and an MSc in Computer Science from the same Department and University. He also holds a PhD from the department of Computer & Informatics Engineering, with a thesis on the area of Parallel Architectures. After his PhD he moved on to a Post-Doctoral Associate position at the University of Delaware, USA. He has participated in several research projects sponsored by the European Space Agency (ESA), the Ministry of Education & Religions, Culture & Sports and the European Commission (Seventh Framework Programme -FP7). Ioannis has published his research in major international journals, book chapters and conferences and has served as a reviewer in several conferences, workshops and symposiums. He is currently a reviewer for the Journal of Parallel and Distributed Computing, Elsevier Science. Ioannis has extensive teaching experience in numerous programming courses both in public and private higher and highest education institutions.

**Ms. Penny Vlagos:** Penny 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.