

## **Andreas Andrianopoulos**

Born in 1946 in Piraeus Greece, in a family of politicians and founders of the most popular Greek football team (Olympiakos FC).

He was educated at Athens College, and in the Schools of Political Science in Athens, Kent (UK), Cambridge and Oxford. He studied also Economics and Issues of Peace Research at the University of Oslo. He holds also a Diploma on Leadership from the Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University.

He lectured at various Schools in the USA and England (Harvard, Stanford, Columbia, Wisconcin at Madison, George Washington, LSE) and he was a Visiting Scholar at St. Edmund's College, Cambridge. In 1998-99 he was Public Policy Fellow at the Woodrow Wilson Center, Washington DC. He holds two honorary PH.D. degrees and he was Professor of Public Policy at the American College of Greece.

He has been elected 9 times member of the Greek Parliament and he has served as Minister of Culture, Trade, Industry, Energy, Technology and Mass Communications.

He has also been elected Mayor of the City of Piraeus. He has contributed articles to numerous Greek and international journals and newspapers and has written books on Islam, Economic and Political Liberalization and Energy Security. Since he resigned from Parliament he held his own TV talk show, worked professionally as a newspaper commentator and as a consultant on issues of Caspian energy and political risk analysis for countries of the former Soviet Union and South Asia. He recently lead a team of international consultants in advising the government of the Russian Federation, under the auspices of the EU, on free competition and the advocacy of liberal market reforms. He also returned as a South East European Project Scholar at the Woodrow Wilson Center in Washington working on the topic of Russian Energy Diplomacy.

He is now the Director of the Institute of Diplomacy and Global Affairs of the American College of Greece (Deree College) which is situated in the district of Plaka in Athens, Greece. He is also teaching Effective Communication Campaigns ans Risk Analysis at the University of Kaliningrad (former Koningsberg) in the Russian Federation.

He is also the author of two historical novels on Medieval and Renaissance Europe.

He is married and he has two sons. With his wife Ranna and with their children they live in Hydra and Athens.