

Speakers



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Dr. Gianna Kitsara, Research Fellow, PhD, Institute for Environmental Research and Sustainable Development, National Observatory of Athens

Dr. Gianna Kitsara is a climatologist, working as a Research Fellow, in the "Climate change IMPacts and ADAPTATION (CLIMADAPT)" Group (<http://climadapt.meteo.noa.gr>) of the Institute for Environmental Research and Sustainable Development, National Observatory of Athens. She holds a Bachelor Degree in Physics [National Kapodistrian University of Athens (NKUA)-Greece, 2004]), a M.Sc. degree in Environmental Physics (NKUA-Greece, 2007) and a Doctorate in Physics (NKUA-Greece, 2015) in the Physics (funded scholarship). Her main research interests are concerning the investigation of air temperature, evaporation/evapotranspiration, solar radiation, precipitation and climate indices (such as drought indices) using ground observations, data from regional climate models, statistical analysis of long time series to monitor the environmental/climate changes. Her Ph.D. Thesis was upon the Impact of climate change on the components of hydrological cycle. She has conducted a post-doctoral research

(2016-2017) for investigating the impact of urbanization on changes in solar radiation and evaporation in Greece, funded by the National Scholarships Foundation. From 2018 she is a Research Fellow, in National Observatory of Athens conducting research on the impacts of climate change and adaptation on various sectors such as agriculture, tourism, urban environment and human health. She is/was involved in a number of Climate Change related projects such as, LIFE-TERRACESCAPE (Employing Land Stewardship to transform terraced landscapes into green infrastructures to better adapt to climate change), LIFELIFE-IP AdaptInGR (Boosting the implementation of adaptation policy across Greece), CLIMPACT (NATIONAL NETWORK FOR CLIMATE CHANGE AND ITS IMPACT), LIFE-ADAPT2CLIMA (Adaptation to Climate change Impacts on the Mediterranean islands' Agriculture), LIFE-URBANPROOF (Climate Proofing Urban Municipalities). She has published 12 articles in peer-reviewed journals and 25 articles in conference proceedings.



Lucy Konstantinides

Choreographer, Trainer

Group Fitness Instructor

Born in Cyprus and raised in Saudi Arabia and the UK, she has a BA from Laban Center University of London with a specialization in Dance Theater. Lucy is a Master Trainer at Reebok USA, specialized in Yoga Vinyasa, Hip Hop, Cycling, Body Walk, Slide, Step, Dance Aerobic and Personal Training. She has IDEA member professional Certification and a Diploma in Zumba Dance. In performance and television, Lucy has worked as a choreographer for popular shows including: "Χρώμα και Σώμα" (ERT 2), "Proinos Kafes" (ANTENNA TV), "Metaxy mas" (MEGA Channel), "Roula Koromila" (ALPHA TV), "OLE" (STAR Channel) and for Greece's participation in the 2002 Eurovision Song Contest with Mixalis Rakitzis. Lucy is the founder and organizer of the annual Dance Music Festival and a professional hiking leader, organizing and leading excursions in Greece. Lucy has been working as a choreographer and fitness instructor at Deree and Pierce since 2002.



Phoebe Koundouri, Professor Athens University of Economics and Business, Director EIT Climate- KIC HUB Greece & SDU at Athena RC

Prof. Phoebe Koundouri is a world-renowned environmental economics professor and global leader in sustainable development. She is widely recognized as a pioneer in innovative, human-centric, interdisciplinary systems for the sustainable interaction between nature, society, and the economy. She is listed in the 1% of most-cited women economists in the world, and she is included within the official Stanford University list of the Top 2 % of world scientists, with 15 published books and more than 500 published peer reviewed scientific articles, book chapters, research and policy reports.

Prof. Koundouri is member of the Nominating Committee for the Prize in Economics Sciences in Memory of Alfred Nobel, The Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, elected fellow of Academia Europae and elected fellow and trustee of the World Academy of Arts and Science and member of the InterAcademy Partnership (IAP) Board.

She is a Professor School of Economics and founder and Scientific Director of the ReSEES Research Laboratory, at Athens University of Economics and Business; Professor at the Department of Technology, Management and Economics, Technical University of Denmark (DTU); Affiliated Professor at ATHENA Information Technology Research Center, where she founded and scientifically directs the Sustainable Development Unit, leads systemic research on the Green and Digital Transition and the EIT Climate-KIC Hub Greece of the European Institute of Innovation and Technology, focusing on accelerating technological and social innovations for the transition to a climate neutral economy. She is Chair of the Scientific Advisory Board International Centre for Research on the Environment and the Economy (ICRE8) dedicated to interdisciplinary research on sustainable development and management of the Environment, Energy, Economy, Eco-innovations and their electronic versions. Prof. Koundouri is also the Chair of the SDSN Global Climate Hub; co-Chair of SDSN Europe & SDSN Greece. The leadership of UN SDSN-Europe is constituted from existing National SDSN European networks and its mission is to serve as a science driven interface with European Commission policymaking. Prof. Koundouri is also Founder of the NEXUS Cluster.

All the aforementioned institutions and organizations are part of the Alliance of Excellence for Research and Innovation on Aeiphoria (AE4RIA), an initiative for collaboration between research institutions, innovation accelerators, and science-technology-policy interface networks focused on sustainable development, founded and directed by Prof. Phoebe Koundouri.

Prof. Koundouri is Editor in Chief of the Journal *Frontiers in Environmental Economics*, co-editor of the official journal of EAERE *Environmental and Resource Economics*, associate editor for *Nature: Climate Action* journal, co-editor in *Q-Open* journal, as well as editorial board member in more than 30 economics and interdisciplinary journals.

Prof. Koundouri is one of the Commissioners of the prestigious Lancet Commission on COVID-19 for which she co-chairs the “Green Recovery” Task Force. She co-leads with Prof. Jeff Sachs (president of SDSN) the UN SDSN Senior Working Group on “Transformation Pathways for the implementation of EGD and the SDGs”, co-leads the the UN SEAs Blue Growth Initiative. She is a member of the CEPR (Center for Economic Policy Research) Network (RPN) on Climate Change. She is IPCC (Intergovernmental Panel for Climate Change) delegate for EAERE and she is European Climate Pact Ambassador for the European Commission. She is also member of the National Climate Change Committee of Greece, of the Ministry of Energy and the Environment, was member of the 2021 Pissarides Committee (10 year Greek Development Plan) chaired by Nobelist Prof. C. Pissarides, as well as chair or member of numerous European and International Scientific, Research and Policy Boards and Councils.

In 2020 she received the prestigious European Research Council ERC Synergy Grant , entitled: “Smart Water Futures: Designing the Next Generation of Urban Drinking Water Systems”. Currently, this is the biggest research project in the world on urban water systems.

Since 1997, she has coordinated more than 100 interdisciplinary research projects, on Sustainable Blue Growth, Water-Food-Energy Nexus, Climate Change Mitigation & Adaptation and Sustainable Finance in all five continents, focused on combinations of Sustainable Development, Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation, Behavioural Economics and Econometrics, Economics of Wellbeing and Happiness, Natural Resource-Food-Energy Nexus, Smart Water Systems, Ecosystem Services Valuation, Blue Growth, Circular Economy, Systems Innovation, Innovation Acceleration and Commercialization, and has attracted significant competitive research funding. Prof. Koundouri acts as a scientific advisor to the European Commission, World Bank, European Bank of Reconstruction and Development, OECD, UN, NATO, WHO, World Water Council and various other Multilateral Institutions, as well as numerous national and international foundations and organizations. She also advises national governments across the world. Prof. Koundouri and her large interdisciplinary AE4RIA team (more than 200 researchers) have produced research and policy results that have contributed to accelerating research and innovation for the enablement of Sustainable Development and has contributed to shaping European and National policies.



Spyridoula Ntemiri, Dr Chemical engineer, Climate Change Project Manager for the LIFE-IP AdaptInGR project, Green Fund

Ms Spyridoula Ntemiri (Chemical engineer, PhD) has been an expert on Climate Change issues for more than 15 years. She has been a member of the national as well as of the EU GHG emissions inventory team, involved in the data collection, handling, verification (including the development of tools for QA/QC), as well as in analysis and visualisation processes to support the dissemination of information about GHG and air pollutant emissions. Since 2016 she works at the Green Fund. Her current duties mainly involve the support and monitoring of climate change related projects and the mobilization of funds towards the implementation of climate change policy in Greece, as well as capacity building activities on climate change adaptation in the context of the strategic LIFE-IP AdaptInGR project.



Ms. Lydia Papadaki, Economist, Researcher and Co-Manager EIT Climate-KIC Greece Hub

Lydia Papadaki is a PhD candidate at the Athens University of Economics and Business (Scholarship awarded by the Academy of Athens). She is co-Manager of SDSN Greece and EIT Climate-KIC Greece. She works in the following EIT Climate-KIC projects: Deep demonstration of maritime systems innovation in Piraeus, Climate innovation in Southern European Waters, Circular Economy Transition in Smart Specialization Strategy in RIS countries, Circular Learning Hub and Circular Economy Beacons. Previously, she worked as a researcher at the International Centre for Research on the Environment and the Economy (ICRE8) at the DAFNE (H2020) project. She received her M.Sc. in Economics and policy of Energy and the Environment at University College London (UCL), and her BSc (Distinction) in Economic theory and policy at Athens University of Economics and Business (AUEB). While completing her first

degree in Athens, Lydia was engaged in the AUEB debating club as debater, committee and after judge participating in Greek and International Championships (EUDC 2016). Her main areas of interest are economics, environmental economics, renewable energy, Climate change and sustainable development.



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Dr. Konstantinos B. Papadias is the founding Executive Director of the Research, Technology and Innovation Network (RTIN) of The American College of Greece (ACG), in Athens, Greece, where he is also Scientific Director of the ACG Research Center (ACG-RC) and Head of the Smart Wireless Future Technologies (SWIFT) Lab, since 2020. He is also Professor of Information Technology at ACG's Deree College and Alba graduate business school. Prior to these, he was the Dean of Athens Information Technology (AIT), in Athens, Greece, where he was also Head of the Broadband Wireless and Sensor Networks (B-WiSE) Research Group. He currently holds Adjunct Professorships at Aalborg University and at the University of Cyprus. He has been active in IT-related research, contributing to areas such as signal processing and machine learning, wireless telecom systems & networks, biomedical engineering and energy efficient technologies for more than 30 years. He has published over 230 scientific papers, 12 patents and 4 books, has made one 3G standard contribution and has received 10000 citations and several recognitions for his work, including 4 best paper awards. He has participated in and lead several EU-funded research projects, such as the recently completed project PAINLESS on the topic of energy autonomous infrastructure-less wireless networks (2018-2022) where he was Research Coordinator and the ongoing EU CHIST-ERA project FIREMAN on the topic of predictive maintenance via machine type wireless communication systems where he is Technical Coordinator. He is a Fellow of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) and of the European Alliance of Innovation. From 2020-2022 he was a member of Greece's sectorial scientific council of Engineering Sciences, which supports the country's National Council for Research and Innovation. He was recently elected Director-at-Large of the IEEE Signal Processing Society for Region 8 (Europe, Middle East and Africa).



Mr. Vasillios Sarkoulas, Deputy Mayor of Agia Paraskevi Public Works & City Design Portfolio



Ms. Evi Tzanakaki, Architect MSc, Covenant of Mayors Coordinator Contact Person, CRES_Centre for Renewable Energy Sources and Saving

Evi Tzanakaki is an architect (Aristotelion University of Thessaloniki) with a Master's Degree from Arizona State University, with many years of experience at the Centre for Renewable Energy Sources and Saving (CRES) in energy efficiency in the built environment, supporting Municipalities and local society actors in energy and bioclimatic design, energy saving actions and implementation of renewable energy sources at city level. Through the Covenant of Mayors for Climate and Energy and other international initiatives, networks and European projects, local communities are guided in the transition to climate neutrality.

CRES is the Greek organisation for Renewable Energy Sources (RES), Rational Use of Energy (RUE) and Energy Saving (ES). CRES has been appointed as the national co-ordination centre in its area of activity. Its main goal is the research and promotion of RES/RUE/ES applications at a national and international level, as well as the support of related activities, taking into consideration the principles of sustainable development. Among other things, CRES is National Coordinator of the Covenant of Mayors.

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Dr. Ioannis Kougkoulos, Assistant Professor, Department of Science and Mathematics, The American College of Greece

Dr. Kougkoulos is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Science and Mathematics where he currently teaches such courses as: Environmental Science (Ecosystems and Biodiversity), Integrated

Methods in Environmental Analysis I, and Natural Disasters. He is also teaching a course on Environmental Risk Management at Arts et Métiers ParisTech (France). Before joining Deree-The American College of Greece, he held Research Fellowships at Nottingham University (UK) and at CNRS-LAMSADE (France). He has also worked as a Research Engineer in TotalEnergies. His research focuses mainly on Natural Hazard analysis and modelling using Remote Sensing, Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and Operational Research Methods. He has published several papers in international peer-reviewed journals and has presented in numerous international conferences.



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Anastasia Misseyanni is Professor of Environmental Studies at Deree-The American College of Greece (ACG). She holds a Chemistry degree from the University of Athens, a DEA (MSc) from the University Paris 7 and a PhD from the University of Marburg in Biochemistry/Molecular Biology, and has also attended graduate courses in Ecology and Management of Biodiversity. She has developed and taught a large number of undergraduate science courses, with emphasis on chemistry and environmental science, and has contributed significantly to the development of the undergraduate BSc programs in Environmental Studies (2010) and Biomedical Sciences (2019) at Deree-ACG. She has served as Program Coordinator for Environmental Studies in the period 2010-2020 and as Head of the Department of Science and Mathematics from 2014 to 2020. She has contributed to sustainability initiatives at ACG. Her present research interests center around education for the environment and sustainability, Mediterranean biodiversity, forest fires and ecosystem services, environmental health issues, active and experiential learning, and innovative teaching and learning strategies in STEM disciplines. She is actively engaged in international networks of environmental education programs and serves as member of the management board of the Hellenic Society for the Protection of Nature.

Jury



Dr. Ebum Akinsete, Head, Department of Stakeholder Analysis and Decision Support Systems, Sustainable Development Unit, ATHENA RC

Ebum is a Senior Researcher at ICRE8 and the Head of the Department of Stakeholder Analysis and Decision Support Systems at ICRE8 and UN SDSN Greece. She is an Associate Lecturer at the School of Applied Social Studies, Robert Gordon University (Aberdeen), and Senior Partner with Nigerian-based consultancy GEN Sustainable Solutions. With a BSc (Hons) in Architectural Technology, MSc in Project Management and PhD in Urban Regeneration and Sustainable Communities, she has several years of both industrial and academic experience in Europe, Asia and Africa; collaborating with governmental agencies, NGOs, aid organizations, academic institutions, the private sector and local communities. Her main areas of interest are sustainable development, urban regeneration, SDG policy and implementation, community development, climate change mitigation, transition management, renewable energy, stakeholder participation, participatory planning, evaluation and impact assessment for sustainability, and sustainability in developing nations.



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