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Athanassia Sykiotou is born in Athens where she studied law in the Law Faculty of National and Kapodistrian University of Athens and obtained her Bachelor in Law with “very good”. She continued her post-graduate studies in Paris and obtained a Masters Degree in criminal and criminological sciences and a LLM in Anti-crime policy (under the supervision of Prof. Mireille Delmas-Marty) in the Sorbonne University (Paris 1) with highest distinction and congratulations of the jury.

She had a scholarship from the Marangopoulos Foundation for Human Rights.

PROFESSIONAL STATUS

- Assistant professor in the Faculty of Law of Democritus University of Thrace
- Attorney-at-law of the Athens Bar Association (at the Supreme Court)
- UN international consultant

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **Oct. 2009:** Election at the rank of Assistant Professor of Criminology in the Department of Criminal and Forensic Sciences, School of Law, Democritus University of Thrace (Official Gazette 105/17-2-2010).
- **Since 2009:** International consultant for the UN. Participation in expert meetings, studies, reports and special research on organised crime, protection of minors and human trafficking.
- **Febr. 2004:** Election at the rank of Lecturer of Criminology in the Department of Criminal and Forensic Sciences, School of Law, Democritus University of Thrace (Official Gazette 312/31-12-2004).
- **2004-2008:** Independent expert of the Directorate General of Legal Affairs of the Council of Europe with participation in expert meetings, conducting lectures, seminars, studies and research especially in the issue of trafficking in human beings. Participation in drafting and ratification campaign of the European Convention on action against trafficking in human beings.
- **Jan.2003 - Sept.2004:** Attorney-at-Law in the Legal Department of the Organising Committee for the Olympic Games - ATHENS 2004.
- **2003-2004 and 2008-2010:** Independent expert of the Hellenic Ministry of Justice. Member of the national delegation to international and European

bodies (Ad Hoc Committee of UN for the drafting of the international Convention against corruption (Vienna, Jan. 2003); UN Committee on crime prevention with a focus on human trafficking (Vienna, May 2003); Coordinator of the national delegation at the Special Committee of the Council of Europe (CAHTEH) for the drafting of the European Convention on action against trafficking in persons (Strasbourg, Sept. 2003-Feb. 2004); OCDE Working Group on bribery in international business transactions (Paris, Dec. 2004); Representative to the Special Committee of UNODC in the pilot program for the implementation of the UN Convention against corruption (May 2008); Representative of the Greek delegation at the 12th UN World Congress on the prevention of crime (April 2010, Salvador Brazil).

- **Jan. - May 2004:** EU Advisor on asylum and immigration in the framework of the European programme PHARE in Poland, conducting a series of seminars for the Ministries of Interior and justice in Warsaw.
- **Nov.2005 - Jan.2006:** EU Advisor on asylum and immigration in the framework of the European programme PHARE in Hungary, conducting a series of seminars for the Ministry of Interior in Budapest.
- **1998-2002:** Head of the Legal Protection Unit of the Greek Council for Refugees (implementing partner of the UN High Commission for Refugees).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

A) Democritus University of Thrace:

Teaching in the fields of: Criminology, Penitentiary Science, Forensics and Juvenile Justice in A', B', C' και H' semesters and by delegation Forensic Sciences at the post-graduate level (direction of Criminal and Forensic Sciences).

B) Teaching in the framework of other institutions:

Up to day and besides my duties at the Faculty of Law of Democritus University of Thrace, I have conducted lectures, conferences and seminars in other national and international institutions (academic and non academic), as well as in the framework of my collaboration with the Council of Europe and European Commission. I have carried out trainings for judges, prosecutors and law enforcement officials for many European countries in multiple subjects. Collaboration with the Institute of Criminology of the Sorbonne University in Paris (Institut de Criminologie de Paris, Université Panthéon-Assas, Paris 2) for conferences and supervision of thesis.

SCIENTIFIC ACTIVITY

Up to day, participation in numerous scientific activities as well as in training seminars, colloquia, lectures and conferences in Greece and abroad.

Over the last five years:

- **21-22/10/2009:** Organiser and speaker at the Colloquium organised by the Department of Criminal and Forensic Sciences of the Faculty of Law of

Democritus University of Thrace in Komotini on "Trafficking in persons. Factors and Effects. Findings of the European research programme AGIS related to the demand side of trafficking". Topic of my paper: "Presentation of the international legal framework for human trafficking in relation to the AGIS programme".

- **12/12/2009:** Speaker at the 13th colloquium held in Kavala and organised by the NGO "STOP VIOLENCE" together with the Municipal Development Enterprise of Kavala on "Immediate intervention in domestic violence". Topic of my paper: "Legal treatment of cases of domestic violence".
- **12-19/4/2010:** In my capacity as UN consultant and on behalf of the UN Office for combating trafficking in persons (UN Global Initiative to Fight Human Trafficking: UN.GIFT) and in the context of the 12th UN World Congress on crime prevention (Salvador, Brazil), presentation of a set of principles for the creation of an international coalition to combat trafficking in persons by using the Internet as a means of recruitment of victims. In the framework of the same Congress representation of Greece under the mandate of the Hellenic Ministry of Justice with an active contribution for the adoption of several provisions of the Declaration of Salvador (in particular Articles 12, 27, 39 related to the return of cultural heritage monuments; restorative justice for minors; and the influence of new technologies for the commission of crimes).
- **8-12/11/2010:** Facilitator of the Workshop coorganised by UN Trust Fund and UNIFEM in Bratislava, Slovakia in relation to gender based violence under the title: "Regional Skills-building Workshop in Evidence-based Programming, Monitoring, Evaluation, and Knowledge Management of Programmes to End Violence against Women and Girls for Grantees of the UN Trust Fund in Support of Actions to Eliminate Violence against Women".
- **19/11/2010:** Participation as speaker in the colloquium organised by the Association of European Young Federalists in Komotini on "Migration. Solution or engagement?". Topic of my paper: "EU asylum policy and distinction between refugees and migrants".
- **12/12/2010:** Participation as speaker in the 14th colloquium held in Kavala and organised by the NGO "STOP VIOLENCE" together with the Municipal Development Enterprise of Kavala on "School and Juvenile violence". Topic of my paper: "Legal treatment of juvenile offenders".
- **22/2/2011:** Participation as speaker in the Workshop "Trafficking in persons for the purpose of labour exploitation in Greece and Cyprus" organised by the Centre of support of repatriated Immigrants held in Athens. Topic of my paper: "Labour exploitation - Labour slavery: Conceptual approaches in relation to trafficking in the light of national and supranational regulations".
- **22/10/2011:** Conference on "Death penalty: Actual neutralisation or easy solution?" in the framework of the event marking the 50th anniversary of Amnesty International held in Komotini.
- **1/3/2012:** Invited lecturer of the Institute of Criminology of the Sorbonne University at the roundtable held at the University Panthéon-Assas (Paris 2) entitled: "Récidive: Soigner ou punir?" with the following sections: "Récidive et Sanction; Récidive et traitement ; Récidive et dangerosité; Récidive et

principe de précaution". Topic of my paper: "Récidive: Soigner ou punir? Les dilemmes de la sûreté", published in : *Essais de Philosophie Pénale et de Criminologie*, numéro spécial: Incriminer et protéger, Institut de Criminologie de Paris, Editions Dalloz, 2014, vol. 11, pp. 53-82.

- **5/10/2012:** Invited lecturer of the Wiener Institut für internationalen Dialog und Zusammenarbeit (VIDC) in the event of the Task Force on Combating Human Trafficking, organised by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Austria and the VIDC, on the occasion of the European day against human trafficking, which took place in the Diplomatic Academy of Vienna. Topic of my paper: "Cybercrime and human trafficking" published in the VIDC site: <http://www.vidc.org/?id=1745>. Related newspaper articles in the «Wiener Zeitung» of 4.10.12 entitled: "Täter sitzt im Sessel und wartet": <http://www.wienerzeitung.at/nachrichten/europa/europachronik/491764-Taeter-sitzt-im-Sessel-und-wartet.html> and of «Der Standard» of 5.10.12 entitled: «Sexuelle Ausbeutung als Internet-Geschäft»: http://www.vidc.org/fileadmin/Bibliothek/DP/Nadia/STANDARD_20121005_SEITE_18.pdf
- **26/3/2014 and 2/4/2014:** Organisation of two events for the Laboratory of forensic Sciences of the Faculty of Law of Democritus University of Thrace on domestic violence in two sections: (a) "Domestic violence and women" and (b) "Domestic violence, child and other vulnerable groups" in the framework of awareness raising events held in the Thracian Conservatory of Komotini.

Since 2012: Responsible for the UNITWIN chair of UNESCO: "Violence. A transdisciplinary challenge".

2012-2013: Sabbatical for academic purposes at the Institute of Criminology of Paris of the University Panthéon-Assas (Paris 2).

RESEARCH

1. Within the framework of cooperation with the European Commission (DG XX, financial control):

Through the Association of European Lawyers (Greek section) preparation of the following surveys that became the Greek national reports before the European Commission:

1995 (in collaboration with B. Androulakis and Xh. Papacharalampous): *"La transaction dans l'Union européenne - Rapport hellénique: La transaction et ses formes analogues en Grèce"*.

1996: *"Les droits de la défense dans un espace judiciaire européen -Rapport hellénique"*.

1998: *“Procurement and Organized Crime”* (the survey was conducted within the framework of the European programme of the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies of the University of London funded by the European Commission).

2002: *“Grèce: Les principes du procès pénal et leur mise en œuvre dans les procédures disciplinaires”*.

2. Within the framework of cooperation with the Council of Europe:

2007: Survey on behalf of the Equality Division (CDEG) of the Department of human rights of the Council of Europe on the "Misuse of the Internet for the Recruitment of Victims of Trafficking in Persons". The findings of the survey were presented at the experts meeting organized by the Council of Europe in Strasbourg on 7-8/6/2007 and published in the Council of Europe publications (Oct. 2007).

3. Coordination of surveys conducted within the framework of the Laboratory of Forensic Sciences of the Faculty of Law of Democritus University of Thrace

2005-2007: Coordination of a survey under the European programme AGIS on the demand side of trafficking in persons conducted in Germany, Cyprus and Belgium.

2007-2008: Survey on the implementation of the legal framework on juvenile justice by the courts of Rodopi.

2009-2011: Survey on the influence of multinational corporations in Anti-crime policy.

LEGISLATIF WORK (technical assistance on policy development and drafting legislation)

2003–2005: Participation in the Special Committee of the Council of Europe for the Drafting of the European Convention on action against trafficking in persons.

November 2004: Expertise on the draft anti-trafficking law in Moldova commissioned by the Council of Europe. Formulation of recommendations to comply with the European and international framework.

2008–2010: Participation in the special legislation Committee of the Hellenic Ministry of Justice participating in the UN pilot program creating a method of monitoring the implementation of the UN Convention on corruption.

Jan.2011–Sept.2011: Commissioned by the Office of UNICEF-FYROM of the reform of the penal law of minors in FYROM to comply with the international guidelines. Conclusions on the shortcomings of legislation and the conditions in juvenile detention centres together with proposals for amending the legislation on minors. Reference to the above in the website of Penal Reform International: <http://www.penalreform.org/news/pri-provides-technical-assistance-unicef-macedonia-their-justice-children-programme>

Sept. 2011 – Nov.2012: Reform of the legislation on juvenile offenders in Indonesia to comply with international guidelines. The work was commissioned by the Office of UNICEF-Indonesia and the Indonesian Ministry of Justice. Formulation of recommendations for the reform of the relevant law; explanatory memorandum;

guidelines for the adoption of alternative measures of deprivation of liberty, for a monitoring mechanism for detention centres; creating disciplinary body and an operational Protocol for the probation officers of minors.

Jan. 2014 – June 2014: Reform of the legislation on juvenile offenders in Somaliland to comply with international guidelines. The work was commissioned jointly by the offices of UNICEF and UNODC. Formulation of recommendations for the reform of the relevant law; explanatory memorandum; guidelines for the adoption of alternative measures of deprivation of liberty and for a monitoring mechanism for detention centres.

MEMBERSHIP

- Member of the Association of Greek Criminologists
- Member of the International Association of Criminal Law
- Member of the Association of European Jurists
- Member of the International League for Human Rights and
- Member of the Interdisciplinary Group of Legal Philosophy

MAIN PUBLICATIONS

- **Books:**

(in Greek)

1. [Collective work Ath. Sykiotou - Antonios Papantoniou and Maria Frangouli], *Trafficking in persons. The Role of the Client. Legal Approach and Empirical Data*, Antonios Sakkoulas Publ., Series of Laboratory of Criminal and Criminological Research, University of Athens, 2013, pp.750.
2. *The draft of the new Penitentiary Code. Rationalisation of our penitentiary system?*, Nomiki Vivliothiki Publ., 2013, pp.272.
3. *The Internet as Contemporary Means of Victimization*, Ant. Sakkoulas Publ., 2009, pp.270.
4. *Trafficking in Persons in the Balkans. Victim, Perpetrator and Repressive Strategies*, Ant. Sakkoulas Publ., 2003, pp.367.
5. *Gender Criminality: An Attempt of Critical Approach*. Contribution of monographic character (375pages) contained in: Kourakis N., (ed.) *Gender Criminality: A Criminal and Forensic Approach*, Ant. Sakkoulas Publ., 2009 (2nd ed.), (pp.83-458).

(in English)

6. *The Misuse of Internet for the Recruitment of Victims of Trafficking in Human Beings*, Publ. Council of Europe, Oct. 2007, (pp.192); it can be downloaded at: http://www.coe.int/t/dg2/trafficking/campaign/Docs/SeminarsConf/Misuse_Sources2_en.asp#TopOfPage
7. *Criminal Legal Aid Manual for Law Practitioners in Somaliland*, UNODC, 2014, pp.293.
8. *Afghanistan. Justice for Children in Conflict with the Law: A Training Manual for Judges and Prosecutors*, UNODC, November 2010, pp. 350 (can be downloaded at: <http://www.unodc.org/afghanistan/en/>)

publications-and-reports/manuals.html)

(in French)

9. *Les équilibres fragiles de Politique criminelle* [forthcoming].
10. *La traite des personnes au Burundi: Manuel de formation des autorités chargées de l'application de la loi*, UNODC, 2011.
11. *Le mouvement de dépenalisation en France et en Grèce: l'alternative administrative*, Publ. E. Bruylant - A. Sakkoulas, 1997, pp.490.

- **Articles :**

(in Greek)

1. "The proactive use of Internet in the name of security and the violations of private life and protection of personal data", in: Honorary volume for Petros Pararas, Ant. Sakkoulas Publ., 2012, pp.987-1005.
2. "The severity of Anti-crime policy towards juvenile offenders", in: Pitsela Ag. (Edit.), *The Road to justice*, Honorary volume for Stergios Alexiades, Ant. Sakkoulas Publ., 2012, pp.167-180.
3. "The more favourable treatment of juvenile offenders by the juvenile justice system: Reality or a beautiful myth?", in: Honorary volume for Kalioppi Spinelli, Ant. Sakkoulas Publ., 2010, pp. 1003-1027 (pre-publication in *Poinikos Logos* 2009 (1), pp. 363-378).
4. "The importance and difficulties in the identification of victims in trafficking of human beings", *Poiniki Dikaiosyni & Eglimatologia* (1) 2009, pp.25-34.
5. "Trafficking of Cultural Property: Anti-crime Policy for the Protection of Cultural Property or for the Protection of Traffickers?", in the Volume in honor of Anna Psarouda-Benaki, Ant. Sakkoulas Publ., 2008, p.1406-1439.
6. "The 'dreadful' obligation towards life or the intervention of anti-crime policy in the regulation of life and death", in: *Human Rights*, no 40, 2008, pp.1165-1211.
7. "European Union - Organised crime and trafficking in human beings", in: *Poinika Chronika*, 2008, pp.200-215.
8. "Criminal mediation as a form of decriminalisation de jure in: Honorary Volume for Stergios Alexiadis, Publ. KCM, 2007, Chapt.27, pp.314-326.
9. "The Concept of Victim in Trafficking in Human Beings", *Poinika Chronika*, 2006, pp.684-693.
10. "Mens rea for the user of victim services in cases of trafficking in persons" in: Eventual mens rea – Eventual negligence– *A third form of responsibility*, Minutes of the Colloquium organized by the Department of Criminal and Forensic Sciences of DUTH in Rhodes (3-4/6/2005), Dikaio & Oikonomia Publ., 2006, p.182.
11. "The Evolution in the Criminal Protection of the Financial Interests of the European Union: The two Projects of the Corpus Juris and the Perspective after the Amsterdam Treaty", *Poinika Chronika*, 2000 (5), pp.389-405.
12. "Decriminalisation and quasi decriminalisation de jure in Greece and in France for the benefit of administrative sanctions," in: N. Kourakis

(Edit.), Honorary volume issued by the Department of Criminal Science of the Faculty of law of the University of Athens in memoriam of Ioannis Daskalopoulos, Konstantinis Stamatia and Christos Bakas, Ant. Sakkoulas, Publs., Vol. III, 1996, pp. 1119-1137.

13. "Integration of migrants and refugees: Reality and legal problems", in: Ath. Sykiotou (Ed.), *Aliens in Greece: integration or exclusion?*, Acts of Seminar organised by Democritus University of Thrace on the 28-29/11/2006, Ant. Sakkoulas Publ., 2008, pp.77-104.
14. "The Asylum Procedure and the Rights of Refugees and of Asylum Seekers in Greece", *Human Rights Revue*, 2001, pp.99-131.
15. "Criminality of Refugees and Migrants" in: *Refugees and Asylum Seekers in the Greek Labour Market*, Publ. European Center for European Studies, 2001, pp.103-114.
16. "Perspectives in the Protection of Refugees in Greece: the New Presidential Decree Related to the Asylum Procedure"; in : *"The Protection of Refugees in Greece in the Light of Recent Legislative Developments"*; Minutes of the Seminar organized on the 3/10/98 by the Greek Council for Refugees, Publ. Ant. Sakkoulas, 1998, pp.115-128.

(in English)

17. "Terrorism and Human Rights" in: *Cuadernos Constitucionales* (Department of Constitutional Law and Political Science of the University of Valencia), no 62, 2011, pp. 203-232.
18. "The European Convention against Trafficking of Human Beings in Relation to the Case-law of the European Court for Human Rights on Art.4 of the ECHR and the Case-law of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia on Enslavement", in M. Kranidiotis, (Edit.), Honorary volume for Aglaia Tsitsoura, Ant. Sakkoulas Publs., 2009, pp.103-140.
19. "Action against Trafficking in Human Beings: Penal Legislation and Judicial Co-operation", στο: *Action against Trafficking in Human Beings: Towards a National Action Plan*, Proceedings of the International Seminar, Moscow, 15-16/12/2004, Association of Crisis Centers for Women "Stop Violence", Moscow 2005, pp.48-65.
20. "The Right to Respect for Private and Family Life of Aliens in Greece in the Light of Art.8 ECHR" in: Elspeth Guild – Paul Minderhoud (Ed.), *Security of Residence and Expulsion of Aliens in Europe*, Publ. Kluwer International, 2001, pp.214-225.
21. "Greece: International Letters Rogatory", *AGON*, 1997, (14), p.11.

(in French)

22. "Récidive: Soigner ou punir? Les dilemmes de la sûreté", in: *Essais de Philosophie Pénale et de Criminologie*, numéro spécial : *Incriminer et protéger*, Institut de Criminologie de Paris, Editions Dalloz, 2014, Vol.11, pp. 53-82.
23. "Les principes du procès pénal et leur mise en œuvre dans les procédures disciplinaires", *Revue Internationale de Droit Pénal*, 2003 v.74 (3-4), pp.959-998.

24. "La responsabilité pénale des personnes morales dans un espace judiciaire européen: les propositions relatives du Corpus Juris", *AGON*, 2000, (27), pp.16-20.
 25. "Grèce: la loi 2343/1995 et le Corps de lutte contre le crime économique", *AGON*, 1996, (13), pp.10-11.
- **Comments on case-law:**
 1. "The Responsibility of the State in Trafficking in Persons: Comment on the ECHR decision of 7-1-2010, *Rantsev v. Cyprus and Russia*", in the Review: *Efarmoges Dimosiou Dikaïou*, Vol.3, 2010, pp.656-678.
 2. Comment on the decision no 31/2000 of the Committee of Suspensions of the Council of State, in: *Refugee and Immigration Law Yearbook*, Ant. Sakkoulas Publ., 2001, pp. 36-43.
 3. Comment on opinions of Attorney General of the Supreme Court no 1/1993 and of the Appeal Court of Piraeus no 15/1999 related to the expulsion of aliens, in: *Poiniki Dikaïosyni*, (11), 2000, pp. 1105.
 - **Editing of volumes:**
 1. *Aliens in Greece: integration or exclusion?*, Acts of Seminar organised by Democritus University of Thrace on the 28-29/11/2006, Ant. Sakkoulas Publ., 2008, pp.415.
 2. (Edit. Ath. Sykiotou - Ch. Theodoropoulos), *The Protection of the Rights of Migrant Workers and of their Families – The National and International Dimension*, ESTIA Publ., Marangopoulos Foundation for Human Rights Series, 1994, pp.270.
 - **Translation of scientific work:**
 1. (Translation-Editing-Introduction): *Towards a European area of Justice-Corpus Juris criminal provisions for the protection of the financial interests of the European Community*. Published under the auspices of the European Commission, Ant. Sakkoulas Publ., 1999, [pp. 195].
 2. *The implementation of the Corpus Juris in the Member States – criminal provisions for the protection of the financial interests of the European Community*, Vol. I, G.J. Wiarda Institute, University of Utrecht.

LANGUAGES

Mother tongue: **Greek**

Fluently: **English** and **French**

Very good: **Italian**

Good understanding of **German** and **Spanish**

Basic: **Turkish**

Fluently: **Informatics** (Office Word, power-point, excel, Internet)