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Archaeologist - Scientific Diver

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Affiliations

University of the Aegean, Greece / University of Thessaly, Greece / Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (AUTH), Greece/ New York University, USA / University of Cyprus / University of Lund, Sweden / University of Copenhagen, Denmark / University of Southampton, UK

Institute for Mediterranean Studies, FORTH, Greece / Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, USA

Ephorate of Underwater Antiquities, Ministry of Culture, Greece

Thessaloniki Antikythera Mechanism Research Team (AUTH) / Museolab (University of the Aegean)

Tetragon S.A.

Education

(2017) **PhD**: "Protection and management of maritime archaeological sites in Greece" Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, School of Architecture, Faculty of Engineering

(2014) MA: "Maritime Archaeology". University of Southampton, School of Humanities

(2010) **MSc**: "Preservation, Conservation & Restoration of Cultural Monuments. Direction A: architectural monuments". Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, School of Architecture, Faculty of Engineering

(2007) **BA**: History and Archaeology. *Specialization in Archaeology*. Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, School of History & Archaeology, Faculty of Philosophy

Personal skills and competencies Mother tongue: Greek

Other languages: English (C2), German (C1), French (B1)

Computer skills and competencies: MS Office, sound, picture and video processing, layout design, architectural design, web design, GIS etc.

**Diving certifications**: Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution - Scientific Diver, IANTD "Sentinel" CCR Diver (Mod 2), IANTD TMX Diver, IANTD EAN & TMX Blender, IANTD DPV Diver, PADI OWSI, PADI Specialty Instructor (Night, EAN, Deep, Wreck, Sidemount), PADI EFR instructor, PADI Oxygen Provider, PSI/PCI Visual Cylinder Inspector

Driver's Licenses: Motorcycle, Car, Speed-boat

Professional experience

(2019-present) **DIATOPO, Crete Temporal Landscapes of Crete: Highlighting the Mirabello Sea and Mountainous Wealth**. IMS – FORTH/ Ephorate of Underwater Antiquities, Ministry of Culture/ Lasithi Ephorate of Antiquities, Ministry of Culture/ Department of History – Archaeology, University of Crete

(2019-present) **Postdoc research** "Promoting Underwater Cultural Heritage through innovative museological and technological methodologies". University of the Aegean, School of Social Sciences, Department of Cultural Technology and Communication

(2019) VIRTUAL DIVER, an innovative platform for virtual underwater experiences targeting the cultural and tourism industries. Tetragon S.A./ Department of Geology and Geoenvironment of the University of Athens/ NTUA (Remote Sensing Laboratory)/ STEFICON, up2metric

(2011-2019) **Mentor Shipwreck Project**, Kythera, Greece. Hellenic Ministry of Culture, Ephorate of Underwater Antiquities

(2017-2019) **Ancient Olous Project,** Crete, Greece. Hellenic Ministry of Culture, Ephorate of Underwater Antiquities/ Institute of Mediterranean Studies, FORTH.

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(2018-2019) Yeronissos Island Project, Cyprus. New York University.

(2014-2017) **Return to Antikythera,** Greece. Hellenic Ministry of Culture, Ephorate of Underwater Antiquities/ Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution

(2004-2017) Archaeological excavation at Vergina, Greece. Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece

(2017) Tulsamerican Project 2017, Vis, Croatia. DPAA, US Department of Defense/ Croatian Navy

(2014,2017) **Lechaion Harbour Project**, Corinth, Greece. Hellenic Ministry of Culture, Ephorate of Underwater Antiquities/ SAXO-Institute (University of Copenhagen)/ Danish Institute at Athens.

(2015) **Underwater Survey at Delos**, Greece. National Hellenic Research Foundation/ Hellenic Ministry of Culture, Ephorate of Underwater Antiquities.

(2010-2015) "THALES" - University of Crete/ Aristotle University of Thessaloniki/ Hellenic Ministry of Culture, 11th Ephorate of Prehistoric and Classical Antiquities: Island Cultures in a diachronic perspective. The case of Therasia, Greece

2013) **Western Crete Survey 2013**, Greece Hellenic Ministry of Culture, Ephorate of Underwater Antiquities/ Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution

(2009-2013) Trainee - local assistant - cultural consultant at the office of the Member of European Parliament C. Saatsoglou-Paliadeli in Thessaloniki. **Member of the team for the establishment of the European Heritage Label** 

(2012) **Antikythera Project 2012**, Greece. Hellenic Ministry of Culture, Ephorate of Underwater Antiquities/ Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution

(2012) **Mazotos Shipwreck Project**, Cyprus. Archaeological Research Unit of the University of Cyprus/ Department of Antiquities of Cyprus/ THETIS Foundation

(2011) **Underwater survey in Crete 2011**, Greece. Hellenic Ministry of Culture, Ephorate of Underwater Archaeology/ Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution/ Hellenic Center for Marine Research

(2009-2011) **Underwater Archaeological excavation at island Kythnos**, Cyclades, Greece. University of Thessaly/ Hellenic Ministry of Culture, Ephorate of Underwater Antiquities

(2010) Participation in the **study of fresco wall painting from the excavation site of Tell el Dab'a**, Egypt. Austrian Archaeological Institute, Cairo

(2008-2010) Photogrammetric processing of material and archaeological data in order to create a **Geographic Information System (GIS)**. Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

## Teaching Experience

(2019-2020) **University of Thessaly**, School of History, Archaeology & Social Anthropology, Adjunct faculty, Lecturer (subject: Maritime Archaeology)

(2018-2020) **University of the Aegean**, Department of Cultural Technology and Communication, Master of Science in Cultural Informatics and Communication (Museology), Adjunct faculty, Lecturer

(2017) **Aristotle University of Thessaloniki** (A.U.TH.) Trainer @ "Higher Education Interdisciplinary Reform in Tourism management and Applied Geoinformation curricula (HERITAG)". D4.5\_Intensive course in Photogrammetry for cultural heritage documentation

Publications Lectures Talks 05 publications in collective volumes

02 publications in scientific journals

12 publications in conference proceedings

05 lectures / 12 public talks

02 forthcoming publications

Honors, Awards and Scholarships

(2013-4) Waiver of Tuition Fees, University of Southampton, School of Humanities, UK

(2013-4) Hadjipateras Family Scholarship, Greek Archaeological Committee (UK), UK

(August 2013) Mary Sears Visitor Program Award, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution, USA