

## CURRICULUM VITAE

**Proposed Position: Greece's Candidature for the Position of Head of the OSCE Centre in Astana**

1. **Family name:** CATRANIS
2. **First names:** Alexander
3. **Date of birth:** 21 August 1953
4. **Nationality:** Greek
5. **Civil status:** Married, 2 children
6. **Education:**

Institution [ Date from - Date to ]	Degree(s) or Diploma(s) obtained:
1971-1976	<b>Law</b> , Diploma "excellent", University of Athens
1976-1980	<b>Doctor iuris</b> "magna cum laude", University of Munich, Federal Republic of Germany
1976	<b>Soviet History and Politics, Sociology, English Language of Social Sciences and Austrian Literature</b> , Diploma, Summer School of the University of Vienna
1977	<b>Lessons and Seminars on Soviet History and Politics</b> , Geschwister Scholl Institute, University of Munich

7. **Language skills:** Indicate competence on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 - excellent; 5 - basic)

Language	Reading	Speaking	Writing
Greek	Mother tongue		
English	1	1	1
German	1	1	1
French	1	2	3
Russian	2	2	4
Italian	2	4	4
Spanish	2	4	4

8. **Membership of professional bodies:** European Society of International Law, Greek Society for International Law and International Relations, European University Association of International Studies

9. **Other skills:** Computer literate

10. **Present position:** Deputy Head of Mission in Greek Embassy in Tbilisi

11. **Years within the firm:** since October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006

12. **Key qualifications:** International and European Law, International Economic Law, European and foreign policy, Diplomacy and International Relations

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13. Specific experience in the region:

Country	Date from - Date to
<b>Russia, Belarus, Central Asia (Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan and Tajikistan)</b>	<b>1999 – 2003</b> Consul General in Moscow with jurisdiction for five countries (Russia – with the exception of the areas of St. Petersburg and Novorosisk – Belarus, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan and Tajikistan)
<b>Georgia and the Caucasus</b>	<b>2006 – today</b> Deputy Head of the Greek Mission

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### 14. Professional education

Date from - Date to	Location	Company	Position	Description
1993		European Institute of Public Administration (EIPA)	<b>Attendant</b>	European Seminar on International Negotiations  Theory and Practice of International Negotiations - European Diplomacy - Participation at simulations
1991	Rome	NATO Defense College	Chairman of Study Group	Modern Risks and Challenges for International Security  Theory of International Relations  The Role of NATO in the Post Cold War World  Foreign, Defense and Security Policy of NATO member States  Visits to NATO member states  Student Study Program: Lecture: " <i>The New World Order After the Fall of the Iron Curtain</i> "
1983 1984	Athens Greece	Ministry of Foreign Affairs - Center for Diplomatic Studies		Theory of International Relations  International Law  Foreign Policy of Greece  Diplomatic and Consular Practice
1975	Athens Greece	Greek Center of Productivity		Maritime Law  The Practice of International Contracts

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15. Diplomatic experience

Date from - Date to	Location	Company	Position	Description
2005 2006	Athens Greece	Ministry of Foreign Affairs		<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Human Rights</u></p> <p>Coordinating the preparation of Greek reports to UN Human Rights institutions</p> <p>Leading officer on the Greek side on visits of Human Rights officers of the United Nations to Greece</p> <p>Drafting the reports and answers of the MFA to specific requests of European and international Human Rights bodies</p> <p>Coordination with Greek public agencies concerning human rights issues</p> <p>Attending international conferences on human rights</p> <p>Attending the Working Group of the Council of the European Union on Human Rights (COHOM)</p>
2003 2005	Athens Greece	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Head of the Section for Bilateral Relations with Turkey	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Turkey</u></p> <p>Responsible for the implementation of bilateral contracts of co-operation with Turkey</p> <p>Advising other Ministries on issues of Greek-Turkish co-operation and relations</p> <p>Co-ordination of cross-sectional issues within the Department for Turkey</p> <p>Attending the Working Group of the Council of the European Union for Turkey, Bulgaria and Romania</p>

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1994 1995	Athens Greece	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Desk officer for Russia and Central Asia	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Russia and the Former USSR</u></p> <p>Reporting on issues concerning internal developments and foreign policy of Russia and the countries of Central Asia</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Focusing on the war in Chechnya</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Attending NATO's Intelligence Committee</p>
1992	Athens Greece	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Desk officer for Serbia and Montenegro	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>The Balkans</u></p> <p>Responsible for the implementation of the Security Council Resolution imposing sanctions on Serbia</p> <p>Contacts with the business community on issues concerning the UN embargo on Serbia</p>
1989 1992	Athens Greece	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Responsible for all aspects of the Cyprus problem under the supervision of the head of the Cyprus section	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Cyprus</u></p> <p>Special focus on legal and humanitarian aspects of the Cyprus problem</p> <p>Reporting on missing and internally displaced persons in Cyprus</p>
1992 1995	Athens Greece	Ministry of Foreign Affairs	Director of studies	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Diplomatic Academy</u></p> <p>Responsible for education and training of young diplomats, other officers of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs as well as officers of other public agencies on issues concerning foreign policy and diplomatic practice</p> <p>Organizing meetings and common courses with young diplomats from Balkan and Eastern European states</p> <p>Meeting with heads of diplomatic academies and training institutions of other European countries</p> <p>Attending the Working Group of the Council of the European Union on the training of diplomats</p>

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Date from - Date to	Location	Company	Position	Description
1995 1999	Bonn Germany	Greek Embassy in Bonn	Counselor and later Minister Counselor for Political Affairs	<p>Responsible for internal German policies, relations with political parties, the German policy towards the European Union and NATO, Turkey and the Balkans</p> <p>Attending international conferences on European and defense policy</p> <p>Public Diplomacy</p> <p>Contacts with the Press</p> <p>Relations with scientific and academic institutions</p> <p>Presenting the priorities of Greek foreign policy at conferences and meetings</p> <p>Co-author of two studies on Greek foreign and security policy published in Germany</p>
1999 2003	Moscow Russia	Consulate General of Greece in Moscow	Consul General with jurisdiction for five countries (Russia – with the exception of the areas of St. Petersburg and Novorosisk – Belarus, Uzbekistan, Turkmenistan and Tajikistan)	<p>Relations with Diaspora</p> <p>Humanitarian issues</p> <p>Public diplomacy</p> <p>Contacts with the Press</p> <p>Organizing cultural events in Moscow, Minsk and Tashkent</p> <p>Visits to members of the Greek diaspora in remote areas of the Russian Federation (e.g. Tomsk, Yakutia)</p>

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2005		NATO	Liaison Officer for Central Asia	<p>Under the supervision of the Deputy Assistant Secretary General and Chairman of the Political Committee Mr. R. Simmons responsible for the relations of NATO with the five Central Asian states with seat in Astana</p> <p>Meetings with politicians, parliamentarians and public officials in the countries of Central Asia</p> <p>Advising governments of Central Asian countries on issues concerning IPAP/PfP</p> <p>Consultations with local governments on civil emergency and humanitarian issues</p> <p>Attending international conferences on the political, economic and security situation in Central Asia</p> <p>Coordinating with local NATO Embassies on issues concerning security</p>
2006	Tbilisi Georgia	Embassy in Tbilisi	Deputy Head of Mission	<p>Responsible for all aspects of bilateral co-operation with Georgia</p> <p>Special focus on internal developments in Georgia, Georgian foreign policy, relations with NATO and the EU, implementation of the Action Plan/ENP</p> <p>Monitoring of Georgian elections</p> <p>Public diplomacy</p> <p>Contacts with the Press</p>

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### 16. Academic experience

Date from - Date to	Location	Company	Position	Description
1988 1997	Athens Greece	Panteion University for Social and Political Studies	Lecturer and later Assistant Professor for International Economic Law and International Economic Organizations	Courses and Seminars on Public International Law, European Law and International Economic Law  Supervising doctoral dissertations  Attending and contributing to the work of international conferences in Greece and abroad
1977 1978	Munich Germany	University of Munich	Research Assistant to Professor Dr. Goetz Hueck	Chair of Commercial, Labor and Economic Law  Assisting the academic staff on scientific projects
1979	Munich Germany	University of Munich	Research Assistant to Professor Dr. Wolfgang Fikentscher	Chair of International and European Economic Law
1980 1981	Cologne Germany	University of Cologne	Research and Teaching Assistant to Professor K. H. Boeckstiegel (Chair for International Economic and Air and Space Law)	Assisting the Professor in teaching and research  Drafting the answers on a questionnaire on " <i>Nuclear Weapons and International Law</i> "  Responsible for an international project funded by the "Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft" on " <i>Arbitration and Enterprises of the Public Sector</i> "
2002 2003	Tashkent Uzbekistan	University for Foreign Languages	Lecturer/Teacher	Courses on International Law and European institutions
2007	Tbilisi Georgia	State University of Tbilisi	Lecturer	Teaching assignment for European Institutions  Courses on European Law and institutions  Courses on Modern Greek History at the Institute of Classic, Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies
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1986 1995	Athens Greece	Greek National Center for Public Administration	Lecturer	School of Public Administration and Institute for Permanent Education  Courses on Foreign and European Policy, International Economic Relations and diplomatic practice  Simulations on negotiations  Lectures in Cyprus on international economic issues
1993 1995	Athens Greece	War School of the Greek Navy	Lecturer	Courses on International Law and Politics  Lecture on Greek foreign policy  Advising the students and the staff on international events
1992 1995	Athens Greece	War School of the Greek Air Force	Lecturer	Courses on International Law and Politics
2005	Athens Greece	Police Academy	Lecturer	Lecture on the foreign policy of Greece

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### Lectures by special invitation

Several times invited to attend expert conferences and give lectures to academic and research institutions on the following countries:

Germany (Hessische Stiftung für Friedensforschung, Bundeswehrakademie, Volkswagen Stiftung, Hanns Seidel Stiftung, Europäische Akademie Tutzing etc.)

The Russian Federation ("Moscow State Institute (University) for International Relations" - MGIMO, Lomonosov University, Tomsk University)

Kazakstan ("Institute of International Relations Under the Auspices of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan")

### 17. Further Professional experience

Date from - Date to	Location	Company	Position	Description
1971 1972	Athens Greece	National Bank of Greece	Bank assistant	General accounting duties
1983  1977- 1984	Athens Greece	Attorney at Law	Legal adviser in the Legal Department of the National Bank of Greece  Member of the Athens Bar	Department dealing with international issues

### 18. Other relevant information:

#### Publications

Numerous publications in leading Greek, German and American journals in the fields of American, European and German Anti-trust Law, European Law and Policies, Public International Law and International Organizations, International Economic Law and Institutions, Constitutional Law as well as on Central Asian affairs

#### Decoration

Grosses Verdienstkreuz der Bundesrepublik Deutschland