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# Giorgos KAMINIS - Mayor of Athens

Since 2011 he is Mayor of Athens. He was previously assistant professor at the Law School of Athens University and State Ombudsman from 2003-2010. He graduated from the Law School of Athens University and he supported his doctoral thesis at the University of Paris I.



## Nikolaos SARANDIS - President of PEDA

He was elected several times Mayor of Aghii Anargiri – Kamatero and President of the Regional Union of Municipalities of Attica (PEDA). He was previously professor at the Technological Educational Institution of Athens. He holds a Master's degree on "European Union and developing countries" from the International Relations Department of the Panteion University of Athens.



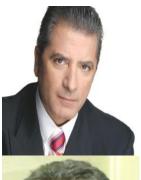
### Sylvie CARREGA - President of the European network ELISAN

Elected deputy Mayor of Marseille, in charge of Social Policies, Policy Centers and Housing. Vice-President of the "Centre Communal d'Action Sociale" (CCAS) of Marseille. Regional Councillor of the Department of "Les Bouches du Rhone". First Vice-President of the "Union Nationale des Centres Communaux d'Action Sociale" (UNCCAS) and President of the "Union Départementale des CCAS".



## Rena DOUROU - Governor of the Attica Region

Since September 2014, she has been serving as Regional Governor of Attica. In 2012, she was elected a Member of the Hellenic Parliament for the suburban Athens B' constituency. In March 2014 she ceded her parliamentary seat in order to fully concentrate on campaigning for regional governor of Attica. She graduated at the Athens University and earned a master's degree in political science at the University of Essex in the United Kingdom.



### Giorgos PATOULIS - Mayor of Marousi

He is the Mayor of Marousi since 2006, the President of the Athens Medical Association since 2011 and the President of the Union of Hellenic Municipalities since 2014. Between 1981-1987 he completed his studies at the Medical School of Athens University. He specialized in Clinical Orthopaedics and completed his doctoral thesis.



#### Panos SKOURLETIS - Minister of Interior

He is Minister of Interior since November 2016. He has previously served as Minister of Labour and Minister of Productive Reconctruction, Environment and Energy. From 1986 to 2011 he worked in the private sector. He graduated from the Economics Department of the University of Piraeus.

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### Yannis MORALIS - Mayor of Piraeus

Since 2014 he is Mayor of Piraeus. He was previously engaged as freelancer in the field of Sports Marketing and Communications and as member of the "OLYMPIAKOS FC". In 2011 he was appointed Vice President and General Manager of the club whereas in 2012 he was elected Chairman of the Super League. He studied Economics at the University of Piraeus.



## Beatte PRETTNER - Vice President of ELISAN

She is Deputy Governor of the Region of Carinthia since 2013 and Regional Minister for social and health affairs since 2010. From 2004 to 2010 she was a Member of the Carinthian Parliament. She is a gynecologist.



# Popi STAVROPOULOU - Executive councilor for development programming in the Region of Attica

She has a degree on Sociology from the Panteion University of Athens and a Master in Human Resources from the Hertfordshire in the UK. She works for MOD ltd.



### Iraklis GOTSIS - Mayor of Nea Ionia

In 2014 he was re-elected Mayor of Nea Ionia. He was President of PEDA from 2014 to 2016. From 1986-1990 he was Mayor of Nea Ionia and from 1990-2010 he was a City Councilor. He studied Biology at the University of Patras and in Sweden.



# Vasiliki KOKORI - Member of Cabinet of Commissioner on Employment, Social Affairs, Skills and Labour Mobility, Ms. Marianne THYSSEN

Responsible for: Labour market policies, Youth employment, Social protection, Social inclusion and anti-poverty, Relations with EMCO and SPC, Employment and social analysis college, Economic and financial affairs (ECFIN), Taxation and customs union (TAXUD), Migration, Home Affairs and Citizenship (HOME).



### Christian RAGGER - Secretary General of ELISAN

From 1999 to 2009 he was Member of the Carinthian Parliament. From 2009 to June 2016 he was Member of the Carinthian Government. Former Regional Minister for hunting, animal protection, road safety and nature parks. He is a lawyer.

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# Zacharias MAVROUKAS - Director General in the Ministry of Economy and Development

In 1990 he was in charge of Internal Market & Quality affairs at the General Secretariat for Industry and in 1994 he was seconded to the Greek Permanent Representation to the EU. He graduated from the Chemistry Department of Athens University in 1975 and completed postgraduate studies at the Heriot-Watt University of Edinburgh in 1978.



### Georgios STABOULIS - Assistant professor at the University of Thessalia

As Assistant Professor at the University of Thessalia he teaches "Economics of Technology" and the master courses "Organization of Operational Functions", "Innovation and Regional Development". He qualified Engineer of Production and Management from the University of Crete. He holds a MSc. in Management of Technology and a PhD in Scientific and Technology Policy from the University of Sussex in Britain.



# Michalis CHRISTAKIS - President of the Hellenic Association of Secretaries General on local governance

He is Head of "Studies and Research" at the National Centre for Public Administration and Local Governance since 2001. He holds a degree in Political Science and Public Administration from the Athens University and a Master in European Studies from the Reading University (UK). In 1993 he received his PhD in International Relations from the University of Kent at Canterbury (UK).



## Kostas BAKOYIANNIS - Governor of the Region of Sterea Ellada

He was elected Governor of the Region of Sterea Ellada in 2014. He was Mayor of Karpenisi from 2011 to 2014. He has previously worked at the European Parliament as an MEP's advisor, at the World Bank in Kosovo. He studied History and International Relations at Brown University in the US and holds a Master in Public Administration and Political Science from the University of Harvard.



#### Dimitris BIRBAS - Mayor of Egaleo

He is Mayor of Egaleo since 2014. He was previously deputy Mayor of Egaleo on sports, environment, culture and European programming. He is Member of CoR since 2011 and member of the Committee on Social Affairs, Solidarity and Employment of the Union of Hellenic Municipalities. He studied Graphic Design at the Technological Educational Institut of Athens and worked in the fields of Sales and Marketing.



# Roberto CIAMBETTI – President of the Regional Council of the Veneto Region

He is the President of the Regional Council of the Veneto Region since 2015. He started his political career in 1995 as deputy Mayor and Councilor of the municipality of Sandrigo (Vicenza). He then was elected Provincial Councilor in Vicenza. Since 2000 he has been the provincial Commissioner in charge of road conditions. Elected Regional Councilor in 2005, he dealt in particular with urban issues, environmental protection and Venetian traditions and culture.

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### Dimitris STERGIOU KAPSALIS - Mayor of Pendeli

He served for thirty years the Greek Armed Forces and as Colonel, was Military Attaché at the Greek embassy in Bulgaria. He studied at the National Equestrian School of France and served in the Constitution of the Republican Guard of France. He is currently President of the Greek Equestrian Coaches.



# Dimitris BIBIKOS - Consultant at the Association for the Development of Western Athens

Expert on Planning, Monitoring, Management & Evaluation of Development Programs cofinanced by the EU, Planning Local Development Plans, I.T.I.'s and Smart Cities for Local Authorities, Tourism Industry Business & Investments Planning & Evaluation, Planning & Evaluation Programs and Actions for tackling poverty, promoting social cohesion, social inclusion, employment and entrepreneurship of vulnerable groups.



# Stephen DOWNEY - Enterprise Intern of Cork Institute of Technology (CIT) Ireland

Stephen is an entrepreneur and is on his second venture. He is currently completing a Master of Science in Marketing practice as part of his scholarship and also received support from CIT's entrepreneurial ecosystem.



#### Andrea ZANARDELLO - CreTa

Young entrepreneur who took over the family business in 2015. The company produces and sells traditional ceramic craftsmanship. He was able to develop his new ideas thanks to the structures available at CreTa. He is also one of the figures in charge to develop the new Start Ups, which have their base in the CreTa buildings.



#### Marco BERTONCELLO - CreTa

Executive manager of the multipurpose facility known as CreTa. His duty is to create and develop new educational and formative projects, which lead to the creation of new opportunities for young entrepreneurs.



### Jean Max TROUILLET - President of ELISAN' Steering Committee

General Director of the "Centre Communal d'Action Sociale" (CCAS) of Marseille.

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# Sean HENDRICKX - Chairman of "HAVEN"

Coordinator of youth center "GOVIO" since 2013, he initiated a supra local project on entrepreneurship by creating a graphic agency in the seat of the youth center. Young people were in charge of every aspect of the project. Co-founded the cooperative "HAVEN" as a representative for "GOVIO".

#### Leo VAN LOON - Director at Buzzinezzclub

He studied Business Economics at Erasmus University in Rotterdam. In 2005 he founded Buzinezzclub to support youths lacking access to finance, coaching and networking. In 2008 he opened the Creative Factory Rotterdam, a creative incubator, in close cooperation with partners from business, education and government. He has been a representative for the Dutch government in several EU-workgroups.



# Nicolò Maria ROCCO – General Delegate - Order of the psychologists of the Veneto Region

He's a Communications and Institutional Relations consultant and works for public entities and private companies. Since 2014, he's a Communications and Relationship manager for the Order of Psychologists of the Veneto Region. He also collaborates with many think tanks and research facilities analyzing local authorities' role in Public Health and Social Policies reforms. He graduated in Political Sciences, Administrative and European Studies from the University of Padova.



#### Sandra MARTINEZ-MOLINA - Research technician

She collaborates as a research technician in some of Polibienestar's projects and is a technician in several European research projects. She has a Degree in Social Work and a Master in Social Welfare from the Universitat de València. She is currently doing a doctoral thesis in social sciences, particularly about the resilience of European labour markets.



### Roula BACHTALIA - Programme Manager at the egg - enter•grow•go

Active business person with a solid understanding of the digital business strategy and a tenacious drive to generate new business opportunities. She has a postgraduate degree (MBA) in Business Administration from the Bath University in UK, is certified marketer of the Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM) and certified project manager from the International Project Management Association (IPMA).



# Manuel REDONDO GARCIA - Industrial Engineer and expert in renewable energy systems

He has worked as design and simulation engineer, windfarm construction projects engineer in over five different countries, consultant and researcher in material science. In 2012 he started working on the implementation of the International Centre Santander Entrepreneurship (CISE). Since then, he plans and manages projects launched to support entrepreneurs in the fields of awareness, research, training and support.

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## Juri DEVIGILI - Founder and coordinator of project "Cercando il Lavoro"

He's been working on issues related to unemployment since 2011. He deals with the design and development of training courses, individual counseling, guidance to young people and schools with the selection and design of courses for start-ups. He develops European partnerships for the exchange of information and experiences and seeks innovation in ideas and processes to tackle issues related to unemployment. He has a degree in Psychology of Work and Organizations.



# Markus SETSCHNAGG – Senior Consultant at "Build! Gründerzentrum Kärnten GmbH"

In 2005 he took on a position at Pöschl & Partner where he was responsible for young entrepreneurs and IT topics. As senior consultant at build! he brings invaluable knowhow in financing and business model development. Already during his studies at the Alpen-Adria University in Klagenfurt (focus on innovation management and entrepreneurship/finance and accounting), he was able to gain professional experience in a business consulting firm.



### Konstantinos BITZANIS - CEO Technopolis City of Athens

He is CEO Technopolis City of Athens since 2011. From 2009 to 2011 he was Director of the Industrial Museum of Hermoupolis. Twenty years of professional experience in upper management level positions in the Greek Industry. He has published several articles and studies about economy, industrial policies and culture. He is an Industrial Engineer with postgraduate studies in Regional Planning.



# Elena CURTOPASSI - Member of ELISAN' Steering Committee

Senior policy officer working for the Veneto Region's Brussels Office since 1997. She is a Consultant on international, social and cultural affairs and EU policies and is involved in Infomation and counselling: partner searches, answering requests and supporting Local and Regional authorities in the implementation of European Social policies and Agenda. She is supporting the coordination of ENSA (European Network for Social Authorities) and ELISAN.



# Thodoris GOTSOPOULOS – Secretary General of the Hellenic Agency for Local Development and Local Governance

Member of CoR since 2010, rapporteur of the opinion on the "right to asylum and European Citizenship", and former Mayor of Pallini. He studied Political Sciences at the Athens University and completed his postgraduate studies in Paris. He joined the scientific staff of Panteion University and then worked in the private sector for companies conducting studies on behalf of Local Authorities.



### Vladimíra DRBALOVÁ - Member of the EESC

She is member of the European Social Dialogue Committee since 2004 and Board Member of the European Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions. Director of the Department of International Organisations and European Affairs, Confederation of Industry of the Czech Republic. Vice-Chair of the Labour Market Observatory. Rapporteur of the opinion SOC/518 "Fostering creativity, entrepreneurship and mobility in education and training".

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## Eva KAILI - Member of the European Parliament

Elected Member of the European Parliament since July 2014. She is the Head of the Hellenic S&D delegation and Member of the Committee on Employment and Social Affairs. In the 2009 national elections she was elected as a Member of the Hellenic Parliament. In 2001 she was President of the School of Architecture Students' Association. She obtained her undergraduate degree in architecture and engineering from Aristotle University of Thessaloniki. In 2008, she was awarded a Master of Arts in International Relations by the University of Piraeus, Department of International and European Studies.



# Csaba BORBOLY - President of the Harghita County Council

President of the Harghita County Council in Romania. Member of the Commission for Social Policy, Education, Employment, Research and Culture (SEDEC) and rapporteur of the opinion on "European cooperation in the youth field (2010-2018)".



# Andreas NEFELOUDIS - Secretary general of the Ministry of the Labour, Social Security and Welfare

He was City Councillor several times between 1986 and 2014. He graduated from the Athens University of Economics and Business and worked as a Consultant on urban and regional development.