Curriculum Vitae

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Director General for International and European Affairs, Education for Hellenic Diaspora and Intercultural Education Ministry of Education and Religious Affairs Mr Panagiotis Passas is the Director General for International and European Affairs, Education for Hellenic Diaspora and Intercultural Education of the Hellenic Ministry of Education and Religious Affairs.

The **strategic objective** of this General Directorate is the monitoring and promotion of educational issues at European and International level, the promotion of education for the Greeks abroad, the handling of staff-related expenditure as well as the pedagogical, scientific and administrative support and guidance of the Greek schools abroad as well as European schools.

At a **national level**, within the field of policy-making, Mr Panagiotis Passas has been working closely with the political and administrative hierarchy. He has also established a close working relationship with other Ministries with regard to various interministerial issues related to the fields of administration, education and training.

At a **European** and **International** level, Mr Panagiotis Passas represents the Hellenic Ministry of Education and Religious Affairs in official key meetings and conferences organized by the European Commission, the Council of the European Union, the Council of Europe, the Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), the Organisation for Black Sea Economic Co-operation (BSEC). Moreover, Mr Passas maintains and fosters relationships with high-level policy makers as well as foreign embassies with respect to promoting the Ministry's policies and interests.

Mr Passas has been a member of the European Training Foundation (ETF) Governing Board since 2019. He is also a member of the Ministry's Committee for the Multiannual Financial Framework (MFF) of the European Union for the years 2021-2027. He is the chairman of the Ministry's Committee for the Mobility of civil servants. Moreover, Mr Passas is a member of the Special Committee for the Evaluation of employees at several Ministries/ Organisations. He has been a member of the Interministerial Committee for the preparation of the Hellenic Presidency of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe. He is also the chairman of the Working Group for the coordination of the European Erasmus+ programme on the level of the two National Coordination Units, the State Scholarship Foundation and the Foundation for Youth and Lifelong Learning. Furthermore, he is an advisory board member and a member of the Ministry's scientific team in two Erasmus+ K3 programmes that support and encourage policy reform in the fields of education and training. For consecutive years, he was also a member of the Human Resources Working Group of the European Union Public Administration Network (EUPAN).

Mr Passas has acquired multi-year experience in various **senior** and **executive positions** in **the Ministry of the Interior**. He has worked as **Head** and **Director** of the **Administrative and Human Resources Directorate**, responsible for mobility issues of the civil servants in Greece and abroad, for issues related to the measurement of efficiency and effectiveness of public administration, for management by objectives, for the employment status and the training of civil servants and, last but not least, for the implementation of total quality management systems in the administration of the public sector. Moreover, he has administered and supervised the secondment of Greek civil servants to the offices of Members of Parliament/Greek Members of the European Parliament, as well as the organization and operation of different Collective Bodies. He has also served as **Head** of the **Human Resources Department** at the **Presidency of the Hellenic Republic**.

Mr Passas is a graduate of the Hellenic National School of Public Administration (General Administration Division). He holds a Master of Science (MSc) in Public Administration and Public Management from the Business Administration Department of the University of West Attica. He also holds a Master of Arts (MA) in International Relations and Strategic Studies from the University of Lancaster - UK, as well as a Bachelor's Degree in History and Archaeology from the National and Kapodestrian University of Athens. He has received Specialised Training in Public Administration at Ecole Nationale d' Administration-Expertise France, at the European Institute of Public Administration (EIPA) and at the British National School of Government of London. He is a native speaker of Greek and he is also fluent in English, French and German.

He has been **chairman**, **member** and **expert** in working groups/ project management groups, inter-ministerial committees, scientific groups, on issues related to public administration and administrative law both at a national and European level. Moreover, he has been **chairman** and **member** of Collective Bodies and Committees that are responsible for the drafting of legislation, innovative projects and projects targeted at lifelong education and training of the human resources of public administration, financial issues, as well as for the reform towards a social and executive state.

At the University of West Attica of Athens and the Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences, he teaches at **postgraduate courses** thematic areas related to General Administration, Public Management, Human Resource Management, Strategic Planning and Evaluation in the Public Sector. His writing and research activities fall within the aforementioned fields of interest and include textbooks, administrative manuals and scientific dossiers. He has participated in comparative studies as a member of the European Public Administration Network.

Mr Passas teaches as an **expert** at the **National School for Public Administration** as well as in the **Training Institute of the National Centre for Public Administration and Local Government**. He has never ceased to educate and train himself professionally and to monitor the latest developments both in the fields of education and training, public administration, finance, as well as in the sphere of European policies and international affairs.