



Curriculum Vitae (2022)

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Current position: Professor of Economics

Research interests: Applied Microeconomics, Public Economics, Industrial Economics, Health Economics, Health Promotion and Taxation, Tobacco Control Economics.

Higher Education

1994: *PhD* in Economics, University of Essex, UK
Thesis: Aspects of commodity taxation
1987: *M.A.* in Economics, University of Essex, UK
1985: *B.A.* in Economics, University of Macedonia, Greece

Work experience

2014 - Professor, Department of Balkan, Slavic and Oriental Studies,
University of Macedonia, Greece
2009-2014 Associate Professor, Department of Balkan, Slavic and Oriental Studies,
University of Macedonia, Greece
2011-2012 Teaching Associate, Greek Open University
2009-2010 Tax Economist, Tobacco Free Initiative, World Health Organization,
Geneva (on university leave), Switzerland
2001-2009 Assistant professor, Department of Balkan, Slavic and Oriental
Studies, University of Macedonia, Greece
1995-2001 Assistant professor (permanent), Department of Economics,
University of Kent at Canterbury, UK

1992-1995 Lecturer (permanent), Department of Economics, University of Wales Swansea, UK

1988-1992 Part-time Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, University of Essex, UK

1/4/88-30/9/88 Ministry of Finance, Greece (funding for Local authorities)

Teaching Experience (UK, 1988-2001 & Greece, 2001-2021)

Undergraduate courses (at the following institutions: *University of Macedonia* (Greece), Department of Balkan, Slavic and Oriental studies and Department of Economics; *Aristotle University* (Greece), Department of Economics; *Greek Open University*, Management of Business and Organizations; *University of Kent at Canterbury* (UK), Department of Economics; *University of Wales Swansea* (UK), Department of Economics; *University of Essex* (UK), Department of Economics)

Principles of Economics; Intermediate Microeconomics; Advanced Microeconomics; Public Economics; Industrial Economics; Applications of Game Theory; Economic Analysis and Policy; Economics of the EU.

Graduate courses (at the following institutions: *University of Macedonia* (Greece), Department of Balkan, Slavic and Oriental studies, and Department of Economics; *University of Kent at Canterbury* (UK), Department of Economics; *University of Wales Swansea* (UK), Department of Economics):

Topics in Microeconomics; Public Economics; Industry and Public Policy in Eastern and South Eastern Europe; International Taxation and Trade; Law and Economics.

Current Research Supervision

PhD supervision: Currently, two Ph.D. theses on (i) *Public Procurement*, and (ii) *Public Policies and (income and gender) Inequality*.

Post-Doctoral supervision: Currently, two post-doctoral researches on (i) *Public Policies, Climate change and Health*, and (ii) *Health Taxes and Consumer and Industry Behaviour*.

Publications

Academic Journals

M. Panteli and **S. Delipalla** (2022). “The impact of institutions on economic and environmental performance”, *South East European Journal of Economics and Business*, 17 (2), 125-14.
doi: 10.2478/jeb-2022-0019

S. Delipalla et al. (2022). “Introducing tobacco excise taxes in the Gulf Cooperation Council Countries: A step in the right direction of advancing public health”, *BMC Public Health*, 22:737.
<https://rdcu.be/cLiMQ>

M. Panteli and **S. Delipalla** (2022). “Market and welfare valuation of the burden of disease attributable to air pollution exposure in the Western Balkans”, *South Eastern European Journal of Public Health (SEEJPH)*, 18(1).
doi:10.11576/seejph-5479

M. Panteli and **S. Delipalla** (2022). “The economic cost of ill health due to air pollution: Evidence from Greece”, *International Journal of Business and Economic Sciences Applied Research (IJBESAR)*, 14(3), 98-113.

K. Koronaïou, J. Al-Lawati, M. Sayed, **S. Delipalla** et al. (2021). “The Economic Cost of Smoking and Secondhand Smoke Exposure in the Gulf Cooperation Council Countries”, *Tobacco Control*, 30:680-686.
<http://dx.doi.org/10.1136/tobaccocontrol-2020-055715>

K. Koronaïou and **S. Delipalla** (2019). “The economic cost of tobacco smoking and secondhand smoke in Greece: Musculoskeletal disorders the leading contributor to smoking-related morbidity”, *Tobacco Prevention and Cessation*, 5 (November):39.
<https://doi.org/10.18332/tpc/113091>

“Effectiveness of tax and price policies in tobacco control”, *Tobacco Control*, 2011, 20, 3, 235-8 (Chaloupka FJ, Straif K and ME Leon. The names of all members of the research team are reported in an appendix of the publication)

S. Delipalla (2009). “Commodity tax structure and informal activity”, *Bulletin of Economic Research*, 61 (4), 283-294.

S. Delipalla (2009). “Tobacco tax structure and smuggling”, *FinanzArchiv Public Finance Analysis*, 65 (1), 93-104.

S. Delipalla and M.J. Keen (2006). “Product quality and the structure of commodity taxes”, *Journal of Public Economic Theory*, 8 (4), 547-554.
doi/abs/10.1111/j.1467-9779.2006.00277.x

S. Delipalla and P. Sanfey (2001). “Commodity taxes, wage determination and profits”, *Journal of Public Economic Theory*, 3 (2), 203-217.

S. Delipalla and O.A. O’Donnell (2001). “Estimating tax incidence, market power and market conduct: The European cigarette industry”, *International Journal of Industrial Organization*, 19, 885-908.

S. Delipalla (1997). “Commodity tax harmonisation and public goods”, *Journal of Public Economics*, 63, 447-466.

S. Delipalla and M.J. Keen (1992). “The comparison between ad valorem and specific taxation under imperfect competition”, *Journal of Public Economics*, 49, 351-367.

Contributing author in Handbooks

WHO Technical Manual on Tobacco Tax Administration. World Health Organization. Geneva (2021).

<https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/9789240019188>

“Design and administration of taxes on tobacco products”, *NCI Monograph 21*, ch.5, Tobacco Control Monographs Series, National Cancer Institute, USA (2017).

“Tobacco tax avoidance and tax evasion”, *NCI Monograph 21*, ch.14, Tobacco Control Monographs Series, National Cancer Institute, USA (2017).

“Economics of tobacco control and health”, *World Scientific Handbook of Global Health Economics and Public Policy*, Richard M. Scheffler (ed.), Volume 2, ch.6 (2016).

“Effectiveness of Price and Tax Policies for Control of Tobacco”, *IARC Handbooks of Cancer Prevention: Tobacco Control*, Volume 14, Lyon, France: International Agency for Research on Cancer (2011).

WHO Technical Manual on Tobacco Tax Administration. World Health Organization. Geneva (2010).

https://www.who.int/tobacco/publications/tax_administration/en/

Collective volumes

S. Delipalla and M.J. Keen (2003). “The comparison between ad valorem and specific taxation under imperfect competition”, in D Fullerton and G E Metcalf (eds.), *The Distribution of Tax Burdens*, *The International Library of Critical Writings in Economics*, Series no. 155 (Edward Elgar).

S. Delipalla and H. Papapanagos (2000) “The distributional superiority of tax credits”, in A Gupta and V Kapur (eds.), *Microsimulation in government policy and forecasting, Contributions to Economic Analysis* (North-Holland), pp 115-132.

Collective volumes in Greek

S. Delipalla, O.A. O’Donnell and T. Bago d’Uva (2009). «Βελτίωση συγκρισιμότητας στοιχείων βασισμένων σε υποκειμενικές απαντήσεις χρησιμοποιώντας προτυποποιημένες vignettes: Μια εφαρμογή σε κοινωνικοοικονομικές διαφορές στην υγεία ανάμεσα σε ηλικιωμένους Έλληνες», στο *Ζωή 50+ Υγεία, γήρανση και σύνταξη στην Ελλάδα και στην Ευρώπη*, Α. Λυμπεράκη, Π. Τήνιος και Τ. Φιλαλήθης (επιμ.), Κριτική.

Technical Reports

The shadow economy in Greece, 1980-2020. Report commissioned by *International Transparency Greece*, 2022. (with V. Vougiatzi and H. Papapanagos)

Tobacco excise tax implementation in selected GCC countries, Report prepared for Tobacco Free Initiative, *World Health Organization EMRO*, 2022.

Tobacco Economics in the GCC, Report commissioned by the *Gulf Health Council* of the Gulf Council Cooperation, 2019.

Tobacco excise duties in the GCC countries, Report prepared for Tobacco Free Initiative, *World Health Organization EMRO*, 2016.

WHO Tobacco Control Unit Papers

Earmarking health taxes to advance public health: A behaviourally informed intervention. (2020)

Tobacco tax harmonization under regional economic and political pacts: Is tobacco tax harmonization a natural next step for regional integration? (2017)

Tobacco taxation and the Laffer curve. (2017)

Taxing premium versus discount brands: What to expect for cigarette consumption and tax revenues. (2013)

International Conferences & Workshops (selected)

2nd Regional Policy Dialogue on Tobacco Economics in Southeastern Europe. Skopje, 12-13 December 2019.

Invited speaker: The Laffer curve: Theoretical background and applications in tobacco taxation.

World Health Organization, Eastern Mediterranean Region Workshop on the implementation of tobacco taxation in countries of Eastern Mediterranean Region. Muscat, 21-23 January 2019.

Invited speaker: Tobacco taxes in the GCC.

World Bank Group-International Monetary Fund Spring Meetings, Washington DC, 18-19 April 2017.

“Win-win for public health and domestic resources mobilization conference”.

Invited speaker: Tobacco tax harmonization under regional economic and political pacts: Regional integration - Is tobacco tax harmonization a natural next step?

6th European Conference on Tobacco or Health (ECToH), Istanbul, Turkey, 26-29 March 2014.

Presentation: Taxing premium versus discount brands: What to expect for cigarette consumption and tax revenues.

International Institute of Public Finance 69th Congress, Taormina, Italy, August 2013.

Presentation: “Industry pricing behaviour and revenue maximising tax rates”

Black Sea Economic Cooperation and World Health Organization, Tobacco Taxation and Administration for the BSEC Countries, Ankara, Turkey, 24-25 June 2013.

Invited speaker: Tobacco taxation in the European Union

Second Pan Hellenic Tobacco Control Congress, organized by the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Education, Greek Cancer Society and Harvard School of Public Health, Athens 8-10 December 2011.

Invited speaker: Public policy and smokers’ behaviour in Greece

GCC and World Health Organization, Tobacco taxation and legislation in Gulf Cooperation Council member states, Riyadh, Saudi Arabia, 12-14 October 2010.

Invited speaker: Tobacco economics

European Commission Fiscalis 2013 Seminar, Impact of tobacco taxation on public health, Athens 28-29 May 2009.

Invited speaker: Specific versus ad valorem: Does it matter from a public health perspective?

International Institute of Public Finance 64th Congress, Maastricht, August 2008.

Presentation: “The political economy of health insurance with adverse selection”

2^o International Health World Congress, Rotterdam, June 1999.

Presentation: “The political economy of a publicly provided private good with adverse selection”.

International Conference on Combinatorics Information Theory and Statistics, Portland, Maine USA, Ιούλιος 1997. Presentation: “The distributional superiority of tax credits”.

International Institute of Public Finance 51st Congress, Lisbon, August 1995.

Presentation: “Specific versus ad valorem taxation: empirical evidence from the European cigarette industry”

Gregynog Economic Colloquium, Wales, May 1994.

Invited speaker: “Commodity Tax Harmonisation and Public Goods”

European Economic Association Summer School on Tax Reforms in Market Economies: Theory and Evaluation, Ridracoli, Italy, July 1991.

Presentation: “The comparison between ad Valorem and Specific Taxation under Imperfect Competition”.

Consulting services

Gulf Health Council (GHC): Consultant to GHC of the GCC countries, 2018-2019 on evaluating (i) the Economic Cost of Smoking and Secondhand Smoke Exposure in the Gulf Cooperation Council Countries, and (ii) tobacco tax reforms.

World Health Organization (WHO): Consultant on Tobacco Tax Policy and Health Taxes, 2010 - .

- National Capacity Assessments on Tobacco Control (e.g., in Poland, Greece, North Macedonia, Bosnia-Herzegovina)
- International Training Workshops on Tobacco Taxation (taking place, for example, in Egypt, Philippines, Turkey, Oman, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Montenegro, Germany)
- Expert Group Consultations on Economics of Tobacco and Health Taxes (New York, Washington D.C., Geneva, Copenhagen)
- WHO Missions (Tobacco Control Economics Group) in Member-Countries (e.g., Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Oman, Qatar, United Arab Emirates, Kuwait, Bahrain, North Macedonia, Bosnia-Herzegovina)
- NGO Training

Editorships

Editor of Greek translation of “Industrial Organization”, by L Pepall, D Richards and G Norman, 5th edition, 2014 (Wiley), in Greek 2017 (Tziolas publisher).

Editor of Greek translation of “Microeconomics”, by D Acemoglou, D Laibson and J List, 2015 (Pearson), in Greek 2015 (Kritiki publisher).

Membership in Scientific Committees and Institutes

- Member of Scientific Committee for the International Conference of The Economies of Balkan and Eastern Europe Countries in the changed world, EBEEC 2015 - .
- Member of the WHO Committee on Tobacco Playbook, WHO-EURO, 2017.
- Member of the Economic Chamber of Greece.

Reviewer for

(i) Academic Journals

American Economic Review; Journal of Public Economics; The Economic Journal; European Economic Review; Economics Letters; International Economic Review; Canadian Journal of Economics; Bulletin of Economic Research; International Tax and Public Finance; International Journal of Industrial Organization; Scottish Journal of Political Economy; Journal of International Economics; Journal of International Economic Integration; Journal of Common Market Studies; Southern Economic Journal; The B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy; Fiscal studies; FinanzArchiv: Public Finance Analysis; Journal of Economics and Business; Oxford Economic Papers; Public Finance Review; National Tax Journal; The Journal of Economic History; Addiction; Tobacco Control and Public Health in Eastern Europe; Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Health Economics; International Journal of Sustainable Economy; Tobacco Induced Diseases.

(ii) Research Grants

- US-Israel Binational Science Foundation
- EC Research Projects evaluator
- ESRC Research Committee, UK
- Greek National Institute for Students’ Grants (IKY), Evaluation of PhD Proposals

(ii) Research Centers and Institutes

- Centre of Planning and Economic Research (KEPE, Greece)
- Institute for Health Research and Policy, University of Illinois at Chicago

Participation in Examinations Committees in Greece and abroad

- PhD Examination Committees (Greece, South Africa)
- Examination of M.A. Dissertations in English (University of Macedonia, Greek International University)
- Examinations Committee for the (Greek) National Institute for Students' Grants (Graduate Studies)
- University Entry Examinations Committee for Greek expatriates

Participation in Staff Selection Committees in Greece and abroad

- Member of various staff selection committees for the Greek Universities.
- Member of selection committee for the lecturer position in Microeconomics (UAB-LE-211-006), Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (Serra Hunter Programme (SHP)).

Administrative experience

(Greek Universities)

- (First) Graduate Director of M.A. in Politics and Economics in Eastern and South Eastern Europe (in English), at the Department of Balkan, Slavic and Oriental Studies, University of Macedonia
- Member of founding committee of M.A. in Politics and Economics in Eastern and South Eastern Europe (in English), at the Department of Balkan, Slavic and Oriental Studies, University of Macedonia
- Member of Graduate Studies Committee, University of Macedonia
- Member of Undergraduate Studies Committee, Department of Balkan, Slavic and Oriental Studies, University of Macedonia
- Member of the Departmental Evaluation Committee for Teaching and Research Assessment, University of Macedonia
- Departmental Representative to University Research Committee, University of Macedonia
- Coordination Committee for Journal Publication Grants, University of Macedonia
- Member of various electoral bodies, and rapporteur, for the election and promotion of faculty members in the Greek Universities.

(UK Universities)

- Admissions Officer
- Departmental Working Papers Editor
- Member of Graduate Studies Committee
- Equal Opportunities Officer
- Departmental Representative to Students Union.