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- Konstantinos Tsitselikis is **Professor in human rights at the Department of Balkan, Slavic and Oriental Studies of the University of Macedonia - Thessaloniki** (www.uom.gr) where he teaches since 2000.
- Since 2019, Dean of the School of Economic and Regional Studies (University of Macedonia)
- Since 1993, member of the Bar Association of Thessaloniki. He stands before the European Court of Human Rights (<http://www.lawyers4rights.gr>)

EDUCATION:

He studied **law** at the University of Komotini (Thrace, Greece) and continued his postgraduate studies (D.E.A) in international law at the University *Robert Schuman* in Strasbourg (1992), masters' degree in international law at the Law School of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (1993) and his PhD in public international law at the Law School of the University of Thrace (1995). His Phd thesis dealt with the **minority languages in Europe and Greece** (cf. publications).

PREVIOUS WORKING EXPERIENCE:

From 1993 till 1995 he worked at the **Council of Europe as temporary staff at the Secretariat of the Human Rights Directorate and at the Service of Editions and Documentation**. From 1997 till 2000, he joined the *OSCE* (Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina Montenegro, Ukraina), the EU (Madagascar) and the UN (Cambodia, Indonesia) in field *missions* as **election observer coordinator, or senior human rights officer and Head-of-Office** (Kosovo). Once he returned to Greece in 2000, he started teaching for four years as lecturer at the Law Faculty of the *Democritus University* of Thrace until 2004 when he has been elected as assistant professor at the University of Macedonia. From 1997 to present he has been researcher, coordinator or local coordinator of a series of research projects.

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT AND ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES:

Founding member in 1996 of the **Minority Groups Research Centre** (KEMO), the first Greek independent think tank on minority issues gathering a number of 40 – mainly Greek - academics and experts on minorities and migrants (www.kemo.gr). Since 1999, they are directing the “*KEMO Series of Studies*” at the Kritiki publications (www.kritiki.gr), which has already published 10 different volumes dedicated to the study of migration and the minority phenomenon in Greece. In 2009 the *KEMO Series of Studies* moved to Vivliorama publications (www.bibliorama.gr). From 2011 and after four years in the board, he served as **President of the Hellenic League for Human Rights** (www.hlhr.gr), the oldest Greek NGO (2011-2017) acting in the field of human rights and affiliated member of the *International Federation for Human Rights* (www.fidh.org). He was member of the *Greek National Commission for Human Rights* from 2007 to 2009 (www.nchr.gr). Since 2009, he is the **Greek national expert** of the

Yearbook of Muslims in Greece providing reports and information on Muslim communities in Europe.

COURSES AT THE UNIVERSITY:

His courses at the Department of Balkan, Slavic and Oriental Studies of the University of Macedonia include: International law (BA);- Minorities (BA); International organizations (BA); Human Rights (BA); Human Rights and Migration (MA)

OTHER: He has taught as **visiting professor** at the School of International Relations of the Bilgi University (Istanbul-Turkey, 2006-2010). He has published in Greek, English, French, Portuguese, and Bosniak in scientific reviews or journals in the field of law and political sciences focusing on issues related to human rights, minorities, migrants and citizenship. He often writes at Greek newspapers or web portals [Ta Nea (Τα Νέα), Kathimerini (Καθημερινή), Avgi (Αυγή), To Vima (Το Βήμα), web portal tvxs, Protagon].

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