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EDUCATION

• Barcelona School of Economics (BSE); GPA: 8/10

Master of Science in Economics and Finance (Degree awarded jointly by Universitat Pompeu Fabra) 09/2023-07/2024

Relevant courses: Microeconomics 1, Macroeconomics 1-2, Econometric Methods 1-2, Time Series Analysis, Advanced Time Series, Macro-Finance, Labor Economics (MRes course), Foundations of Data Science Master Thesis: The effect of natural disasters on institutional quality: The case of Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico.

• Athens University of Economics and Business (AUEB); GPA: 8.2/10

Bachelor of Science in Economics (Track: Economic Theory and Policy)

Athens, Greece 09/2018-06/2023

Salutatorian (2^{nd} highest GPA, top 3% in my graduating class)

Relevant courses: Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Econometrics, Game Theory and Uncertainty, Industrial Organization, Public Finance, Monetary Theory and Policy

Professional Experience

• Hellenic Foundation for European & Foreign Policy (ELIAMEP)

Athens, Greece 05/2024-08/2024

 $Research\ Assistant$

- o Collected data for over 150 start-ups and over 20 variables and conducted statistical analysis in STATA and R.
- Conducted a thorough literature review and co-authored the final paper on the effects of the MIT Enterprise Forum incubator in the startup ecosystem, as well as policy recommendations to foster entrepreneurship.
- Hellenic Gaming Commission (HGC)

Athens, Greece

Economist (Internship)

07/2022-09/2022

- Assigned to develop a novel framework for finding out companies that might be involved in illicit activities, in order for the HGC to make targeted inspections, which led to higher precision in inspections.
- o Collected and cleaned financial-related data for 4000 gambling companies in 52 municipalities of Greece.
- Conducted statistical analysis of that data in R and MATLAB and then applied the new methodology.

Working Papers

• Pepelasis I. S., Kolokythas A., Vidali E. (2024), At the edge of internationalization and innovation: The importance of MITEF incubator to the start-up ecosystem, ELIAMEP Working Papers

Publications

• Kolokythas A. (2022), How can public investments in green transition boost Greece's productivity?, Proceedings of the 28th Economia Student Essay Contest, Economia Publishing (Kerkyra Publications), (in Greek) Link here

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

- N. Themelis Memorial Scholarship, Prime Minister of Greece Constantinos Simitis Foundation 2023

 Merit-based scholarship to cover tuition for the Master of Science in Economics at the Barcelona School of Economics.
- 5th prize in the 28th Economia Essay Contest Student 5th prize award for my novel essay on the ways public green investments can boost productivity.

2022

• Distinction in the Euroscola Contest

2018

Engaged directly with the workings of the European Union (EU), experienced the role of a Member of the European Parliament (MEP), participated in a number of committees and provided policy suggestions on a number of issues.

LANGUAGES AND TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Languages: Greek (Native), English (Fluent-C2), French (Intermediate-B1)
- Programming & Tools: Python, R, STATA, MATLAB, Julia, LaTeX, SPSS, Git, Microsoft Office