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Message from the Director



The Athens Public International Law Center - Athens PIL celebrates its fourth anniversary this academic year. Founded in 2015 as a leading research institution committed to the study and promotion of international law, the Center has become a vibrant community of academics, researchers and students of the Athens Law Faculty, along with colleagues from abroad, who engage with the Center, through research visits, institutional cooperations and partnerships.

During 2018-2019, the Center has been keeping quite busy, with conferences, guest lectures, summer schools and numerous other events and research projects, which are summarized in this annual report.

Undoubtedly, this year's highlight was the hosting of the 15th Annual Conference of the European Society of International Law, from 12-14 September 2019, with the overall theme: Sovereignty: A Concept in a State of Flux? This prestigious event, which was held in Greece for the first time, was attended by more than 500 participants from around the world, who gathered together in the premises of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens to discuss and revisit a classical but perennial theme: State sovereignty in international law, its basic contours and current challenges through the lens of various areas of international law, from territory, to maritime spaces, to environment, cyberspace, refugee and migration, and a plethora of other sub-themes. Warm thanks to all the Athens PIL colleagues and students for their hard work in organizing this grand event!

The Center is also actively engaged in a number of research projects relating to the study of various aspects of international law. Since 2016, the Center has been engaging in the research and academic activities of the Jean Monnet Module: Migration Flows: Challenges and Perspectives under International and European Law, co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme. The programme comprises two basic axes, short intensive courses and summer schools, which focus on various aspects of the current refugee crisis. All the activities organized have been extremely successful, and this work will further be expanded in the framework of the Migration and Asylum Policy Systems - MAPS project, co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Commission.

Other projects have also been completed or are underway in various thematic areas, including the execution of judgments of the European Court of Human Rights in the Greek legal order, smuggling in the Mediterranean (with the University of Palermo), space law in the age of artificial intelligence, while the Center continues its annual summer school on international investment law as well as its annual Colloquia current issues international investment law, with partner Institutions.

For more information and news, please visit our updated website: www.athenspil.law.uoa.gr

Professor Photini Pazartzis

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PEOPLE

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Visiting Researchers

1. Athens PIL welcomes academics from around the world for brief periods of stay to pursue their research interests and participate in the Center's activities.
2. The [Erasmus+ Student Mobility for Placements Program](#) offers the ability to European Universities students to work as interns for 2 to 12 months during their studies or as recent graduates. Internship can be hosted in training centers, universities, companies or organizations in the European countries participating in the program, outside the European Union's institutions. Participants as future professionals gain work experience relevant to their educational field. The practical experience obtained through the program help young practitioners easily adapt to the requirements of the EU labour market and become more entrepreneurial. Erasmus Placement program promotes the cooperation between European institutions and enterprises, and students can develop their communication, social and language skills and interact with other European students and cultures.

Athens PIL accepts young scholars as Research Trainees/ Interns.

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LECTURES

“Nicolas Politis” Annual Lecture Series

The “Nicolas Politis” annual lecture series are delivered each year in Athens by a person of eminence in the field of international law in memory of **Nicolas Politis**, a prominent Greek international lawyer and diplomat.

Politis started his career as an academic at the Universities of Paris and Aix. As of 1912, he began his diplomatic career by serving as a Greek ambassador to foreign capitals and the League of Nations and representing Greece in various diplomatic conferences. He also held leading positions in the Greek executive branch, serving first as Secretary General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (1914-1916) and subsequently as Minister of Foreign Affairs (1916-1920, 1922). He was also a Member and Vice-President of the *Institut de droit international*, a Member and Vice-President of the *Curatorium* of The Hague Academy of International Law, as well as a Member of the Permanent Court of Arbitration.



Nicolas Politis left behind a scientific work of significant magnitude, comprising of numerous articles, monographs and books on public and private international law.

Nicolas Politis Lecture (2019)



Emeritus Professor Yves Daudet,
Université Paris I Panthéon-Sorbonne;
President, Curatorium of The Hague
Academy of International Law

The 2019 Nicolas Politis Lecture was delivered on **12 September 2019** by **Emeritus Professor Yves Daudet** at the inaugural session of the 2019 ESIL Conference held in Athens. The subject of the lecture was:

Sovereignty: The Past and the Future

Guest Lecture

Dr Stephen Minas, Peking University

On Tuesday, 11 June 2019 we were most happy to welcome **Dr Stephen Minas**, Assistant Professor at the School of Transnational Law, Peking University to deliver a lecture on:

Climate Change and Multipolar World Disorder

The lecture was part of the LL.M. course on International Environmental Law taught by Associate Professor Maria Gavouneli. The class comprised students from both the LL.M. in International Law and the LL.M. in Environmental Law programmes 2018-2019. Dr Minas was able to apprise us of the latest developments in climate change negotiations after Katowice 2018 and prior to Bonn 2019 and, inevitably, the discussion that followed was both interesting and lively.

Dr Minas went on to the Bonn Climate Change Conference, held on 17-27 June 2019, where he was elected in his personal capacity a member of the Technology Executive Committee - TEC, the policy arm of the Technology Mechanism serving the Paris Agreement. The TEC, a body of 20 technology experts representing developed and developing countries, analyses climate technology issues and develops balanced policy recommendations, supporting countries to accelerate action on climate change and reports to the Conference of the Parties on its performance and activities.

Our warmest congratulations!





CONFERENCES AND SUMMER SCHOOLS

1. 15th Annual Conference of the European Society of International Law



The Athens Public International Law Center was extremely pleased to host the 15th Annual Conference of the European Society of International Law. This is the first time that an ESIL annual event is hosted in Greece. The Conference, entitled “Sovereignty: A Concept in Flux?” was held from **12 to 14 September** and was attended by more than 500 participants. The conference took place at the main building of the University of Athens, and the formal opening, in the prestigious Aula, was held in the presence of **H.E. The President of the Hellenic Republic, Professor Prokopios Pavlopoulos** who delivered the opening speech. This was followed by a keynote address by **Professor Yves Daudet** (Université Paris-I Panthéon Sorbonne), setting the theme of the conference.

The aim of the conference was to revisit state sovereignty in international law and the current challenges that call into question its basic contours. In keeping with the Society’s tradition, the conference featured keynote speakers, a closing discussion round table, and six fora, exploring the normative, theoretical and practical aspects of sovereignty. In addition, twelve agorae, with speakers selected on the basis of calls for papers, examined more specific aspects of state sovereignty in various areas of international law: economic law, environmental law, law of cyberspace, maritime law, law of culture, use of force, refugee and migration law and international dispute resolution. In all, 90 speakers from more than 30 countries participated in the fora and the agorae of the conference. Among them, judges from the International Court of Justice (ICJ), the International Tribunal on the Law of the Sea (ITLOS), the International Criminal Court (ICC) and the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR); members of the International Law Commission (ILC) and the UN treaty bodies; national supreme court justices and legal advisers to international organizations and Ministries of Foreign Affairs; distinguished academics from world-renowned research institutes and more than 50 universities worldwide; eminent practitioners from leading law firms; and a number of scholars who discussed the future of international law in 14 ESIL Interest Groups, held prior to the main conference.



The welcome reception was hosted at the Presidential Palace and the Gala dinner was held at the Stavros Niarchos Foundation Cultural Center.



Photos and posts from the works of the conference are available on the conference website and via the Athens PIL social media (Twitter: @AthensPIL and Facebook: @athenspil).

2. Colloquium on ‘International Investment Law and Competition Law’



On 27 & 28 September 2018, in Zaragoza, Spain, the Faculty of Law of the University of Zaragoza hosted a Colloquium on ‘International Investment Law and Competition Law’. The Colloquium was jointly organized by the University of Zaragoza (Spain) and its Faculty of Law; the Athens Public International Law Center (Athens PIL) of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens Faculty of Law (Greece); the Research Centre on Procurement Law and International Investment (CREDIMI) of the University of Burgundy (France); and the French National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS) (France).

The Colloquium was coordinated by **Dr Katia Fach Gómez** (University of Zaragoza, Faculty of Law), **Dr Anastasios Gourgourinis** (National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Faculty of Law; Athens PIL), and **Dr Catharine Titi** (CNRS and CREDIMI, University of Burgundy).

The Colloquium comprised an opening Keynote by **Professor Friedl Weiss** and a closing Keynote by **Professor Thomas Cottier**. More than 50 speakers amongst international investment law’s and competition law’s most prominent academics, policymakers and practitioners participated in the event.



3. Colloquium on ‘Actors in International Investment Law: Beyond Claimants, Respondents and Arbitrators’



On 26 and 27 September 2019, in Paris, France, the University Paris II Panthéon-Assas hosted a Colloquium on ‘Actors in International Investment Law: Beyond Claimants, Respondents and Arbitrators’.

The Colloquium was jointly organized by the CERESA, research centre of the French National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS) and of the University Paris II Panthéon-Assas (France); the University of Zaragoza (Spain) and its Faculty of Law; the Athens Public International Law Center (Athens PIL) of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens Faculty of Law (Greece).

The Colloquium was convened by **Dr Katia Fach Gómez** (University of Zaragoza, Faculty of Law), **Dr Anastasios Gourgourinis** (National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Faculty of Law; Athens PIL), and **Dr Catharine Titi** (CNRS-CERESA, University Paris II Panthéon-Assas).

The Colloquium included an opening Keynote by **Professor Marc Bungenberg** and a closing Keynote by **Professor Diego Fernandez Arroyo**. More than 60 speakers amongst international investment law’s most prominent academics, policymakers and practitioners participated in the event.



4. ELSA Summer School on International Investment Law 2018

Between 19-26 August 2018, Athens PIL and ELSA Athens successfully hosted, for the third consecutive year, the Athens Summer Law School on International Investment Law, in Athens, Greece. The summer school brought together 70 students from 32 different countries and provided participants an intensive, one-week, academic program with lectures by scholars and practitioners, including Athens PIL Faculty and Fellows, as well as a specialized Skills Training Work in cooperation with Young ICCA. The academic programme is available here: https://issuu.com/elsa_athens_slis/docs/official_booklet_elsa_athens_summer . For the after-movie: <https://youtu.be/shqUXSBUDYc> .



5. ELSA Summer School on International Investment Law 2019

Between 18-25 August 2019, Athens PIL and ELSA Athens successfully hosted, for the fourth consecutive year, the Athens Summer Law School on International Investment Law, in Athens, Greece. The summer school brought together 68 students from 29 different countries and provided participants an intensive, one-week, academic program with lectures by scholars and practitioners, including Athens PIL Faculty and Fellows, as well as a specialized Skills Training Work in cooperation with Young ICCA (for a second year in a row). The academic program is available here:

https://issuu.com/elsa_athens/sls/docs/2019_sels_booklet .





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RESEARCH PROJECTS

Athens PIL is engaged in the development and execution of Research Projects relating to the study and promotion of various aspects of public international law, at the national, European and international level.

Our projects include:

- **Research programmes**, including privately-funded programmes;
- Organisation and hosting of **scientific events, lectures, seminars and conferences**;
- Specialized research-oriented **summer courses**;
- **Research** conducted for the Faculty of Law of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens;
- **Other activities** relating to the study of public international law.

The outcomes of the Athens PIL Research Projects are publishable, in accordance with its statute. For more information, consult our **Research Paper Series** and our **Publications** section on our website.

1. Migration Flows: Challenges and Perspectives under International and EU Law | 2016-2019

Jean Monnet Module, Erasmus+ Programme

Responding to the ever increasing number of migratory flows crossing into Greece since the summer of 2015, Athens PIL has sought to provide a centre of excellence for refugee studies in the form of Jean Monnet module, co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Commission.

The programme develops into two main actions:

i. Short Intensive Courses taught in Greek and aimed exclusively at lawyers, policy-makers, NGO workers, international agencies staff and others working or preparing to work in the field of international and EU migration and refugee law.

The second cycle took place from 2 to 30 May 2018, offering 25 hours of instruction in 8 sessions both live and on distance learning modules under the general title:

“Migration flows under international and EU law: The practice of integration”

The third cycle took place from 18 February to 18 March 2019 under the general title:

“Migratory flows under international and EU law: From the administration of the crisis to the crisis of administration”

Among the instructors were some of the most experienced practitioners in the field today along with the Athens PIL Faculty and researchers. More than 150 persons have participated in the series, several of them acquiring a Specialisation Diploma after a demanding final examination. Upon completion of the project, the lecture series is freely accessible at delos.uoa.gr.



PROJECT FACTSHEET

Start: 01-09-2016 - **End:** 31-08-2019

Project Reference:
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EU Grant: 23162 EUR

Website:
<http://www.athenspil.law.uoa.gr/jean-monnet-module.html>

Programme: Erasmus+

Key Action: Jean Monnet Activities

Action Type: Jean Monnet Academic Modules

Inclusion-equity: EU Citizenship, EU awareness and Democracy International cooperation, international relations, development cooperation

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ii. **A summer school**, comprising an intensive interdisciplinary 5-days programme of seminars and lectures, targeted tutorials and simulation exercises with a written examination at the end leading to a Diploma. The course targets mature undergraduate students and early-stage researchers, practicing lawyers, policy-makers, NGO workers, international agencies staff and other professionals working with refugees and migrants. It aims to serve as a strong grounding in the legal treatment of refugees and migrants and the management of migratory flows under international and EU law. We address the **causes of the current wave** of migratory flows in the area; review the ever-changing **reception arrangements**; critically discuss the existing **integration schemes**; and debate the **future of EU policies** on the matter.

The **second edition** of the Summer School took place on **18-22 June 2018**.

The keynote address was given by **Dr Markos Karavias**, Director of the Greek Asylum Service and we were happy to welcome friends and colleagues from the Council of Europe, the European Council of Refugees & Exiles - ECRE, the Odysseus Network, the University of Helsinki, the European University Institute, the Universidade Nova de Lisboa along with our Athens PIL Faculty, fellows and researchers.



The **third edition** of the Summer School took place on **17-21 June 2019**.

The keynote address was given by **Professor Philippe de Bruycker**, Jean Monnet Chair for European Law on Immigration and Asylum and coordinator of the Odysseus Network.

We were particularly pleased to welcome a veritable array of the top people in the field: **Professor Katerina Linos**, Co-Director of the Miller Institute for Global Challenges and the Law, UC Berkeley; **Dr Violeta Moreno-Lax**, Queen Mary London and Refugee Law Initiative, University of London; **Professor Irini Papanicolopulu**, University of Milano-Bicocca; **Dr Maria Varaki**, War Studies Department, King's College London; **Professor George Kritikos**, Geography Department, Harokopion University; **Markella Papadouli**, AIRE Centre as well as our own Athens PIL Faculty, fellows and researchers.



An important part of our work is our **field visits**:

We are particularly grateful to the **Mayor of Athens**, who year after year has made us welcome, with a guided tour by **Mr Lefteris Papayannakis**, associate mayor for refugee affairs, at the **Elaionas Open Refugee Accommodation Centre**.

The **UNHCR Office in Athens** has involved us in their refugee experience games.

The **Kyklos Community Center** opened their premises to our students and gave them an inkling of the everyday challenges of refugee life.

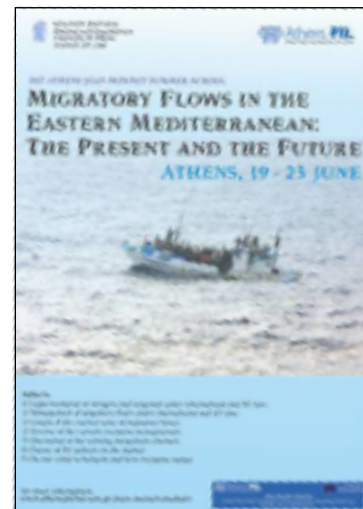
The variety and ultimate success of the programme was evident from its first year.

Our first series of **Seminars**, carried out in cooperation with Nomiki Bibliothiki between **11 November and 17 December 2016**, attracted a record number of young lawyers and practitioners from the field. We were particularly happy to attract a significant number of persons, who followed our courses online.

Our **first Summer School** took place on **19-23 June 2017** - again with a record number of participants.

The keynote address was presented by **Professor Yuval Shany** of the Hebrew University, vice-chair of the UN Human Rights Committee, who spoke on the conflicts and crises giving rise to migratory flows.

We welcomed among our lecturers **Professor Marcello di Filippo**, University of Pisa; **Dr Lilian Tsourdi**, then Max Weber Fellow at the European University Institute and subsequently Lecturer at the Refugee Studies Centre, University of Oxford; and **Professor Yannis Ktistakis**, Democritus University of Thrace.



At the final round table **Professor Photini Pazartzis**, Director of Athens PIL and a member of the UN Human Rights Committee (currently: vice-chair) and **Associate Professor Maria Gavouneli**, then vice-chair of the Greek National Commission for Human Rights (currently: President) engaged in a public discussion on the present and the future of migratory flows and their impact on legal principles with the enthusiastic participation of the audience.



2. Migration and Asylum Policy Systems - MAPS | 2019-2021

Jean Monnet Module, Erasmus+ Programme



Expanding our work on migratory flows into the roots, causes and context of the asylum conundrum, Athens PIL participates in the Migration and Asylum Policy Systems - MAPS project, co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme of the European Commission.

The **MAPS project** is carried out by a **network of ten European Universities**, encompassing more than 150 researchers, working together in more than 60 workshops and meetings with world-class scholars and all pertinent shareholders. It aims to create an international platform of know-how on legal tools and best practices for stakeholders and provide a coherent framework for risk assessment and sustainable management of different implementation on migration and asylum policies in EU member States.

It develops into two distinct strands:

i. Migration law courses: Taught in the national language or each participating institution or in English, the courses offer a comprehensive and cohesive overview of migration and asylum law. They are available through the MAPS Network platform: mapsnetwork.eu and in the distance-learning platform of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens: delos.uoa.gr.

ii. Workshops: Organized by each participating institution, this series of workshops will address specific aspects of the migration and asylum issues with the participation of important shareholders from the State administration, civil society and relief organizations.



The first such workshop was organized by the **Università degli studi di Napoli L'Orientale**, which serves as project leader, on 23-24 September 2019. Athens PIL will organize a **workshop on outsourcing and cooperation with third countries** on 18-19 June 2020.

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3. The Execution of Judgments of the European Court of Human Rights in the Domestic Greek Legal Order (2017-2020)

This on-going research pertains to the execution of the judgments of the European Court for Human Rights (hereafter the 'ECHR' or the 'Court') by Greece and its competent authorities. The research spans the period from 1991, when the Court issued the first judgment against Greece in the *Philis* case, to the end of 2017. The research focuses on two periods: prior to the 2011 reform of the control mechanism provided by the ECHR and from 2011 henceforth. The research will include all measures adopted by the domestic legislative, administrative and judicial authorities in order to comply with the judgments of the European Court and the relevant decisions of the Committee of Ministers as of January 1992.

During the years 2018-2019 the following data have been collected, so as to compile a list of the measures undertaken by the Greek authorities in order to comply with the judgments issued by the European Court of Human Rights. The list contains the individual as well as the general measures adopted by the Parliament or the administrative authorities, especially the ministries. In addition to the payment of compensation to the victims, specific measures are the dissemination of the judgments of the European Court, the adoption of concrete administrative guidelines that the competent authorities must comply with and the adoption of a specific judicial (or quasi-judicial) remedy. Moreover, the list includes cross-references between the various judgments issued by the European Court with respect to the legal issues treated by the Court itself. The last part of the list contains the final resolutions adopted by the Committee of Ministers with respect to the closure of a single case or group of similar cases as classified by the Committee itself.

In a second step, a separate list has been drafted with respect to the judgments issued by Greek administrative courts which treat the European Convention as having a direct effect to the domestic legal order; in this respect there will be a number of separate charts illustrating where and how the Greek courts apply the judgments of the European Court when they refer directly to them.

Since the research also has a comparative aspect, the research team decided to focus upon the states of Cyprus, Croatia, Germany and Poland for purposes of a comparative analysis. Therefore, the list composed for those countries was based on the relevant data collected and categorized as it has been done for Greece. Accordingly, in the next stage of the research the charts for the four countries will be drafted according to the example of Greece.

The results of the first part of the research were presented in a Conference held in Athens on 19 February 2020.

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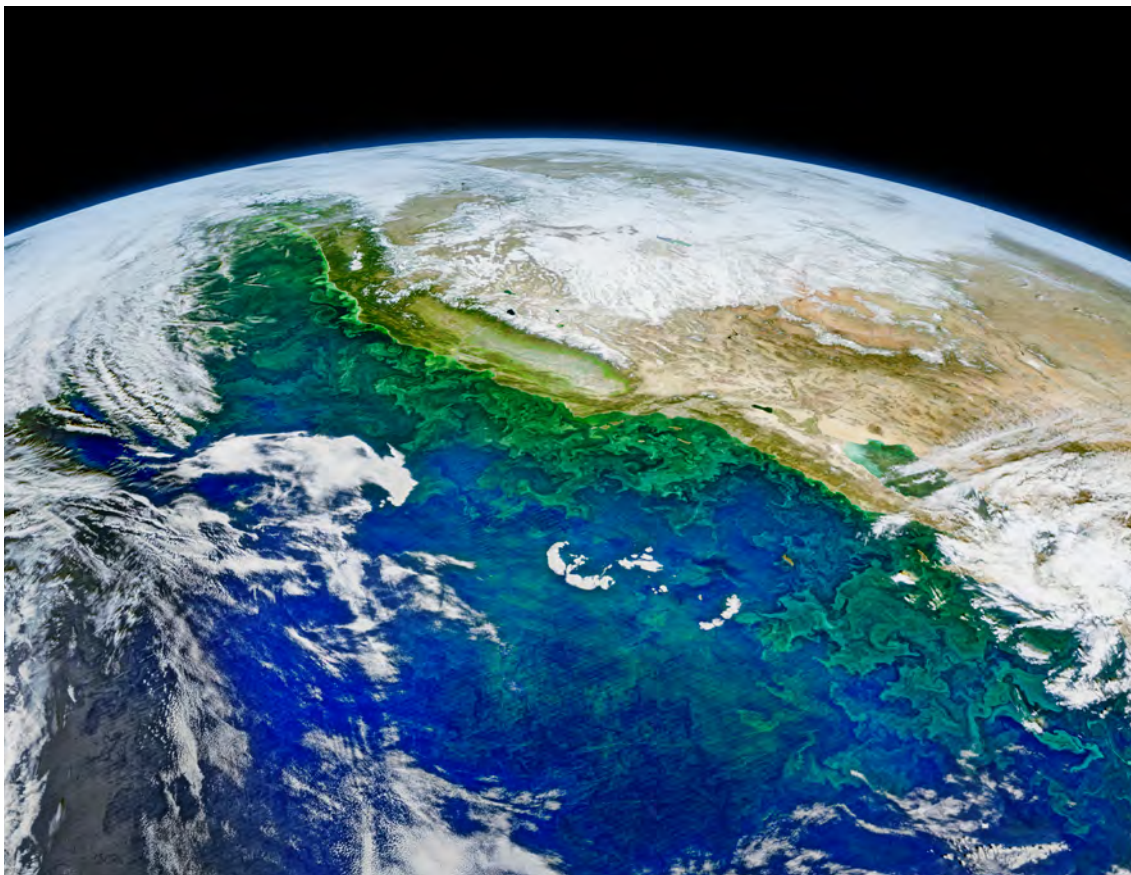
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4. Space Law in the Age of Artificial Intelligence: Challenges and Dilemmas

Following the call for submission of research proposals under the 2nd cycle of the co-funded by EU funds and the National Strategic Reference Framework programme in support of young researchers and the Ministry of Development and Investments' decision published on the 24th.06.2019, the research project **"Space Law in the age of Artificial Intelligence: challenges and dilemmas"** was listed among the approved for funding projects and is being conducted under the auspices of the Athens Public International Law Center, the academic supervision of **Professors Photini Pazartzis** and **Giorgos Kyriakopoulos**, and the participation of **Dr Anthi Koskina** (Postdoctoral researcher) and **Crystalie Bourcha** (PhD candidate).

The project seeks to address the interplay between the boundaries of space law regime and the implications introduced by the use and application of AI and relevant new technologies in relation to space exploration and adjacent activities. This interplay will be benchmarked against existing regulatory standards and put under interdisciplinary test for the purposes of delimitating the particularities of the use of emerging technologies in relation to space activities, as well as for exploring the pertinent concepts of exploitation and ownership of deduced scientific data. The project will span over a 15 month period, while the main research outcomes will be published in a research paper and presented at an international conference venue.



5. The New Era of Smuggling in the Mediterranean Sea

Athens PIL Center concluded a partnership agreement with Dipartimento di Giurisprudenza, University of Palermo in February 2019 and actively participated in the Project “**The New Era of Smuggling in the Mediterranean Sea**” (NESMeS, funded by Philip Morris International-PMI - Impact, project leader Prof. V. Militello, <https://www.unipa.it/dipartimenti/di.gi./progetti/nesmes---pmi-/en/>).

Our research team consisted of **Dr Efthymios Papastavridis**, research fellow, **Eva Tzavala**, researcher, at the Athens Public International Center, and **Konstantinos Deligiannis-Virvos**, **Eleni Gerasoudi** and **Maria Belevoni**, postgraduate students at the Faculty of Law, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens. Under the supervision of **Professor Photini Pazartzis**, the team compiled a report on Greek legislation and caselaw on smuggling of a) migrants, b) drugs, c) cigarettes.

The report has been published under <https://www.unipa.it/dipartimenti/di.gi./progetti/nesmes---pmi-/en/scientific-publications/> .



A stylized world map in shades of green and yellow. Dashed lines represent trade routes connecting various continents. Icons include a yellow cube in North America, a yellow cube in Europe, a yellow cube in South America, a yellow cube in Africa, a yellow cube in Asia, a yellow airplane flying over the Atlantic, a yellow ship in the Atlantic, and a yellow truck in Asia.

TRADE LAW CLINIC

The **Trade Law Clinic** is a project organized under the auspices of Athens PIL and in the context of the undergraduate course: “**International Economic Law**” at the Law Faculty of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens. The Trade Law Clinic offers students a unique opportunity to delve into international trade and investment law by preparing legal reports (informative, advisory or ad hoc) on specified subjects of interest to participating project partners, i.e. governmental and non-governmental organizations and civil society institutions. Students work in groups and each group is coordinated by a mentor/coordinator, under academic supervision and oversight. The purpose of the Trade Law Clinic is to enable participating students to put international economic law theory into practice, so that the research generated takes into due account the actual needs and concerns of business and society stakeholders.

In this context, each group of students, paired with a particular governmental / non-governmental organization or civil society institution, has a series of regular meetings with the latter’s staff, in order to present and discuss the progress of the research and receive feedback and guidelines. The legal memo produced is then officially delivered to the project partner, and is also presented by the students themselves at the end of each academic year during a public event for the exposition of the research outcomes of the Trade Law Clinic, co-organized annually by Athens PIL and participating project partners.

During the academic year **2017-2018**, the Trade Law Clinic project with the **Small Enterprises’ Institute of the Hellenic Confederation of Professionals, Craftsmen and Merchants (IME GSEVEE)**, **Greenpeace Greece** and **WWF Greece**, involved as project partners, continued its research activities focusing on the implications of Brexit on international trade, international trade and energy markets, and the imposition of environmental taxes.

The Trade Law Clinic’s respective findings for the academic year 2017-2018 were consolidated in legal memos/reports which were presented at a special conference held on the 30th of May 2018 at the premises of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

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