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## Personal statement

A self-motivated qualified lawyer and practising Data Protection Officer with specialist academic and career experience in data protection law and practice. I have a passionate interest in the application of data protection law and its interplay with other areas of information governance, medical law, consumer law and digital ethics. Fluent in three European languages, I have undertaken research and been a key part of consultancy teams, building strong relationships with a wide range of national and European clients, including UK public authorities, EU institutions and large corporations.

**Key skills** include:

- Client relationship building
- Excellent communication skills
- Presentation skills
- Highly focused analytical and research skills
- Legal drafting
- Experienced multilingual translator

## Employment history

**NHS National Services Scotland**

**November 2020-present**

Information Governance Adviser

- Supporting information governance compliance in Digital and Security in the NHS
- Lead and implement data protection compliance, records management and Freedom of Information

**Trilateral Research Ltd, United Kingdom**

**September 2018-November 2020**

Data Protection Advisor/Research Analyst

- Delivering bespoke Data Protection Officer (DPO) and Deputy DPO services to national and European public and private sector organisations, along with managing my own client portfolio
- Responsible for client-engagement and fostering relationships of long-term trust with clients and external stakeholders
- Leading roles in market mapping, procurement analysis and tender authoring in collaboration with a five-member team, excelling at team-work skills and resulting in successful contracts in the public and private sector
- DPO newsletter manager, reviewing the newsletter issues and coordinating team members
- Legal and policy research, data analysis, presentation of findings to stakeholders, and drafting of legal reports in the following EU research projects:
  - SHERPA (Shaping the Ethical Dimensions of Smart Information Systems - a European Perspective) 2019-2020
  - STAR (Support Small and Medium Enterprises on the Data Protection Reform) 2019
  - STAR II (Support Small and Medium Enterprises on the Data Protection Reform - STAR II) 2018-2019
  - SIENNA (Stakeholder-informed ethics for new technologies with high socio-economic and human rights impact) 2018-2019

**National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Department of Philosophy**

**April 2020- present**

Research Fellow at the Applied Philosophy Research Laboratory

- I undertake innovative and comparative legal and policy research on bioethics, health law and data protection

**Edinburgh Law School, United Kingdom**

Online Learning Tutor and Marker in EU Data Protection Law (LLM course)

**September 2019-present**

Research Assistant responsible for assessing the implications of the GDPR for health-related research and designing practical legal solutions

**January 2018-June 2018**

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Research Assistant responsible for updating the content on the medical law and ethics continuing professional development module **December 2017-January 2018**

**Samsung Electronics Hellas S.A., Greece**

**March 2017- August 2017**

Trainee Lawyer - Member of the Legal and Compliance Department via secondment by Bernitsas Law Firm

- Participated in the design and planning of Samsung's response and preparedness plan to the GDPR
- Acted as the first line of legal support for in-house queries
- Drafted and reviewed commercial agreements for HR, CS, IT and Mktg departments
- Conducted legal research on case-law and doctrine on data and consumer protection, advertising and corporate law
- Translated legal documents and drafted informative briefs for compliance reasons

**Legal Council of the Hellenic State, Greece**

**September 2016- March 2017**

Trainee Lawyer at the Ministry of Finance

- Handled cases before courts and public authorities regarding administrative and civil law issues
- Drafted legal opinions on public law

**Ministry of National Defence, Greece**

**October 2015 – May 2016**

Legal assistance in the Hellenic National Defense General Staff as part of my (obligatory) military service

**Epanodos P.L.E, Greece**

**March 2015 – July 2015**

Legal and administrative assistance in Epanodos – Centre for the social reintegration of ex-prisoners

## Education

**University of Edinburgh, United Kingdom**

**September 2017 – August 2018**

LLM in Innovation, Technology and the Law (Awarded with distinction)

Relevant coursework: Data Protection and Information Privacy - Law of Advertising and Commercial Speech, Robotics, Artificial Intelligence and the Law - Information, Control and Power

Dissertation: Further use of personal data for research purposes: Navigating the flexibilities under the Regulation 2016/679 and the Digital Economy Act 2017

**National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece**

**December 2015 –July 2017**

LLM in Civil Law (Awarded with distinction)

Relevant coursework: Civil Liability in Consumer Protection - Intellectual Property - Regulation of New Technologies (Energy, Telecom)

Dissertation: Biobanks and Personal Data under the Greek Data Protection Act and GDPR

**National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece**

**September 2010 - August 2015**

Bachelor in Law (Upper second-class honours) including Erasmus semester at Université de Bordeaux

## Publications

Adam Panagiotopoulos, Key steps in ensuring resilient and effective pseudonymization, (2020) 214 Information and Records Management Society Bulletin 18-20

Co-author of the SHERPA Report '[Regulatory options for AI and big data](#)', December 2019

Lead author of the SIENNA Report 'Legal overview Human Genetics and Genomics: United Kingdom', March 2019

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Adam Panagiotopoulos, Data Protection Law and Ethics: where do we stand?, (2019) 212 Information and Records Management Society Bulletin 8-11

Adam Panagiotopoulos, Genetic Information and Communities: A Triumph of Communitarianism over the Right to Data Protection under the GDPR? (2018) 4(4) European Data Protection Law Review 459 – 469

Co-author of the [data protection training materials](#) - STAR project (Support Training Activities on the data protection Reform), 2018

Co-author of [Report on the findings of the interviews with data protection authorities](#) about data protection training - STAR project (Support Training Activities on the data protection Reform)

Adam Panagiotopoulos, Brief on the implications of GDPR for health-related research, paper for the Farr Institute of Health Informatics Research, 2018

Adam Panagiotopoulos, Report on the Implications of GDPR for health-related research, paper for the Farr Institute of Health Informatics Research, 2018

Panagiotopoulos, Adam, *Biobanks and personal data* (in Greek), Book edited by Ant. N. Sakkoulas E.E 2018

## Other achievements

Member of the Editorial Board of the Journal of Responsible Technology	<b>June 2020</b>
CIPP/E Certification by the International Association of Privacy Professionals	<b>February 2020</b>
Drafting of the legal report 'Open Access Human Cell Reference Maps: Mapping the Public Interest Under European Data Protection Law' for the Human Cell Atlas (co-authored with Edward Dove, Mark Taylor, and David Townend)	<b>February 2019 – April 2019</b>
Panel speaker at the Computers, Privacy and Data Protection conference (CPDP) 2019	<b>January 2019</b>
Winner of the 4th place in the 3 <sup>d</sup> EDPL Young Scholars Award competition	<b>December 2018</b>
Qualified lawyer registered with the Bar Association of Athens	<b>October 2017</b>
Student representative, University of Edinburgh	<b>2017- 2018</b>
Recipient of a scholarship by John S. Latsis Public Benefit Foundation for academic excellence	<b>2017-2018</b>
Greek translation and editing of the UNESCO book 'Casebook on Bioethics for judges' for the Greek Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics and NKUA Applied Philosophy Research Lab	<b>2017-present</b>
Member of editing and legal research teams	<b>2014-2018</b>

## Skills and languages

Mother tongue: Greek	
Fluent in English (C2) and French (C2)	
Seminar in French legal terminology (National and Kapodistrian University of Athens)	<b>2012-2013</b>
Certificate of ECDL (Windows – Internet - Outlook- Word - Excel - Access – PowerPoint)	<b>2016</b>

## Voluntary activities

The Smile of the Child and Epanodos P.L.E

## Other interests

Sports, literature

## References

Available on request