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FIELDS OF SPECIALIZATION AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Regional development
- Sustainability
- Macro-demographics
- Institutions
- Human capital
- Regional policy
- Regional resilience
- Higher Education
- Energy transition

EXPERIENCE

- Teaching Assistant, Department of Planning and Regional Development, University of Thessaly (2021-2026)
- Administrative Personnel & Project Coordinator, Confucius Institute, University of Thessaly (2019–2024)
- Financial & Administrative Support Officer (Economist), University Services Support Unit, University of Thessaly (2018–2023)
- Academic Support Officer, Self-Funded Postgraduate (Master's) Programs, University of Thessaly (2016–2017)
- Adjunct Lecturer, Institute of Vocational Training of the Greek Public Employment Service (2014-2015)

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Candidate in Regional Science, Department of Planning and Regional Development, University of Thessaly (Greece) (estimated year of completion: 2027)

M.Sc. in European Regional Development Studies, Department of Planning and Regional Development, University of Thessaly (Greece) (2015)

B.Sc. in International Economics, Department of International and European Economic and Political Studies, University of Macedonia (Greece) (2007)

PAPERS IN REFEREED JOURNALS (SELECTION)

1. Adamakou M., Kallioras D., Manetos P., Topaloglou L., Tsiapa M. and Wisniewski R. (2026), The drivers and the barriers of incoming remittances flows in Europe: Analysis at the regional level, *Bulletin of Geography. Socio-economic Series*, 71: 179-190. <https://apcz.umk.pl/BGSS/article/view/56284>
2. Tsiapa M., Kallioras D., Petrakos G., Rasvanis E., Adamakou M., Manetos P. and Almazán-Gómez M. A. (2025), The geography of interregional FDI activity in Europe: Uneven distribution and determinants, *Spatial Economic Analysis*. <https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/17421772.2025.2456185>
3. Adamakou M., Kallioras D., Manetos P. and Topaloglou L. (2024), Uncovering regional typologies in Europe in terms of interregional and intraregional direct investment flows, *European Journal of Geography*, 15(1): 11-15. <https://eurogeojournal.eu/index.php/egj/article/view/608/386>
4. Manetos P., Kallioras D., Topaloglou L. and Adamakou M. (2022), Uncovering regional typologies in Europe in terms of interregional remittances flows, *Europa XXI*, 43(3): 47-68. <https://europa21.igipz.pan.pl/article/item/13554.html>
5. Adamakou M., Niavis S., Kallioras D. and Petrakos G. (2021), Understanding the Regional Engagement of Universities from a Stakeholders' Perspective: The Case of University of Thessaly, Greece, *Sustainability*, 13(19). <https://www.mdpi.com/2071-1050/13/19/10565>
6. Adamakou M., Kallioras D. and Petrakos G. (2021), Detecting Convergence Trends among EU Universities, *Economies*, 9(2): 42. <https://www.mdpi.com/2227-7099/9/2/42>

RESEARCH PROJECTS

1. ISABEL: Cost Minimization and Benefit Maximization in Transitional European Regional Labor Markets, HORIZON EUROPE, 16/7/2025 – 31/12/2026
2. S.H.I.E.L.D.: Securing Helth&Social care Institutions resilience, ERASMUS+, 6/3/2026 – 31/12/2026
3. FOODMISSION: Engaging citizens as agents of change for sustainable food system transition with a novel gamified educational citizen science platform, HORIZON EUROPE, 01/6/2025 – 31/12/2026
4. The Impact of Just Transition Observatory on Energy Transition. Exploring synergies with spatial justice and place-based governance through a competitive perspective_JT-OBSERVATORY, National Recovery and Resilience Plan "Greece 2.0", 1/8/2025-31/12/2025
5. HECOs: Higher Education institutions & Civil Society Organizations together for community engagement, ERASMUS+, 3/4/2024 – 30/9/2024

6. RURALITIES: Smart, ecosystem-enhancing and knowledge-based rural expertise and training centers, ERASMUS+, 07/04/21 – 30/9/21
7. IRiE: Interregional Relations in Europe, ESPON, 22/04/2020 – 19/4/2022
8. Correlation between Academic Performance and Regional Performance: Creating, Strengthening, and Sustaining Competitive Advantage, European Social Fund, 19/2/20 – 31/5/21
9. FFEM: Fostering Female Entrepreneurship Mindset, ERASMUS+, 15/07/2020 – 03/12/2020
10. INCONET-GCC2-Science, Technology and Innovation International Cooperation, HORIZON EUROPE, 01/10/2015-31/12/2015

INVITED / KEYNOTE SPEAKER

1. Adamakou M. (2023), Detecting convergence trends among Chinese universities, “The 2nd Forum of Urban and Regional Development in China and Europe”, Beijing, 19/07/2023