

Nestor Courakis: Short Curriculum Vitae

Nestor Courakis is a Greek university professor specializing in Criminology and Financial Crime. He earned his Ph.D. in Criminal Law in 1978 from the University of Freiburg, Germany (awarded *summa cum laude*), and obtained two diplomas in



Criminology from the University of Paris II: a *Diplôme d'Études Approfondies* in 1977 and a *Diplôme de l'Institut de Criminologie* in 1979. From 1978 to 1980, he conducted research at the Max Planck Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law in Freiburg, Germany, supported by a Max Planck Society scholarship.

In recognition of his contributions to the field, he received the "Aghis Tambakopoulos Prize" from the Academy of Athens for his treatise on the Abuse of Rights (1974) and the Prize of the Society of Greek Penalists for his scholarly work (1985). In 1996 and 1997, he was elected Visiting Fellow at Brasenose College, Oxford University. Since 2012, he has been an ordinary member of the European Academy of Sciences and Arts.

From 1981 to 2014, he served on the Faculty of the University of Athens Law School, where he taught Criminology, Criminalistics,

Penology, Financial Crime, Gender Criminality, and Criminal Policy. Since October 2014, he has been a full-time professor at the University of Nicosia School of Law (Criminal Sciences).

Prof. Courakis has supervised research teams investigating various topics, including Hooliganism (1986-88), Juvenile Detainees (1993-94, with follow-up research from 1999-2002), Female Detainees (1994-96), Juvenile Gangs in Athens (2002-2004), and Euthanasia (2005-2007). He has represented Greece at numerous criminological meetings hosted by the Council of Europe, the United Nations, and the European Union, and he currently serves as the president of the Hellenic Society of Criminology.

His publications in Greek include: *Financial Crimes* (1982/1998/2007), *Criminological Horizons* (1991/2005), *Penal Repression* (1985/1997/2005/2009), *Juvenile Justice System* (2004/2012), *Criminal Policy* (ed.), a four-volume set (1994-2003), *Juvenile Delinquents and Society* (in both Greek and English, 1999), and *On Individual Self-Defense* (German Dissertation, 1982). In addition, he has published over 260 articles in legal journals, conference proceedings, and honorary volumes.

At an official ceremony held at the Max Planck Institute for Foreign and International Criminal Law in Freiburg, Germany, Prof. Dr. Ulrich Sieber, the Institute's Director, presented a *Festschrift* (honorary volume) to Prof. Courakis in recognition of his distinguished career. The volume, titled *Europe in Crisis: Crime, Criminal Justice, and the Way Forward*, includes 84 essays by 93 notable penologists and criminologists from around the

world, written in English, German, French, and Italian. The volume, spanning approximately 2,000 pages, addresses crime in modern Europe amidst crisis and responses needed to address it. It is available online at <http://crime-in-crisis.com/>, along with an additional 125 essays in Greek from a previous honorary volume presented to him at the University of Athens on December 21, 2015.

For more information on Prof. Courakis's publications, please refer to his Wikipedia pages:

- https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nestor_Courakis
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