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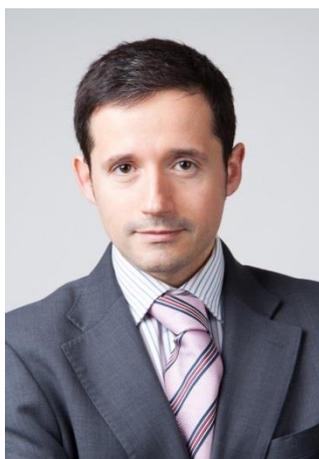
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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

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Oscar ALARCÓN JIMÉNEZ



Mr Alarcón Jiménez is legal advisor at the Council of Europe Criminal Law Division. His main fields of work are the MEDICRIME Convention, the action against trafficking in human organs as well as organised crime.

Spanish lawyer, graduated from the Pompeu Fabra University (Spain), Mr Alarcón holds both a post-graduate degree in European Union Law (LL.M) from the Carlos III University (Spain) and the Europa-Institut (Germany) where he specialised in International Economic Law and Media law. He is currently a PhD student.

Since joining the Council of Europe (CoE) in 2002, Mr Alarcón Jiménez has developed his professional experience in the CoE political bodies as well as in the intergovernmental sector, mainly the Directorate General of Human Rights and Rule of Law developing legal norms in the area of public and private law. He is currently the Co-Secretary of the [European Committee of Crime Problems](#) (CDPC).

Before joining the Criminal Law Division, Mr Alarcón Jiménez worked in the European Commission for the Efficiency of Justice (CEPEJ) in the protection and promotion of human rights through the implementation of various CoE-EU Joint Projects in Eastern Europe. During almost 2 years, Mr Alarcón Jiménez was based in Kyiv (Ukraine) as the Team Leader of a project aimed at assisting with the establishment of an independent, impartial, efficient and professional judiciary in Ukraine.

Hugo BONAR



Hugo is the Enforcement Manager of the Health Products Regulatory Authority (HPRA) in Ireland. He leads the investigative and intelligence actions of HPRA into breaches of legislation relating to medicines, medical devices, cosmetic products, and other health products for which the HPRA is the competent authority. The HPRA operates a cooperative and inter-agency approach to enforcement with police and customs services, as well as with other regulatory authorities. This approach is with a view to using all powers and resources to protect public health and combating crime. Hugo has a military and investigative background.

He has represented the HPRA on several national, regional and global initiatives and groups. This has included being an expert member for the development of the Council of Europe's Medicrime Convention, a member of the management committees of the EU Heads of Medicines Agencies Working Group of Enforcement Officers (HMA WGEO), the Permanent Forum on International Pharmaceutical Crime (PFIPC) and the Interpol coordinated Operation Pangea. He is also Ireland's delegate to WHO's Member State Mechanism on Substandard/spurious/falsely labelled/falsified/counterfeit medical products

(MSM SSFFC). He has supported other initiatives and committees of the Council of Europe and UNODC relating to counterfeit/falsified/fraudulent medical products.

He has degrees in laws, public administration management and an MSc in Forensic Psychology and Criminal Investigation. He is a registered solicitor (Ireland) and attorney-at-law (State of New York).

Genti ÇANI



Senior Customs Officer of the Albanian Customs Administration

For more than 18 years Mr Genti Çani contributed in the Albanian Customs Service in different areas acting firstly as a Customs Officer in the field and then continuing his career in the Headquarter.

During 2012 he participated in the 58 WCO Fellowship Programme in Brussels and Republic of Korea and starting from September 2015 he is a Professional Associate to WCO, assigned to IPR/IPM team, providing the Secretariat an operational assistance.

Mr Çani was one of the key experts involved in preparing the Questionnaire for the European Union candidateship status. He was also chosen by his administration to represent it in several activities related to CEFTA 2006 Agreement, negotiations for the Free Trade Agreement with EFTA countries and in Trade Policy Review with WTO.

From 1997 to 2006, Mr Çani worked as Customs Officer in different locations (Durrës Customs House, Qafë-Thana Customs House, Fier Customs House). From January to June 2007, he worked as Specialist at Tariff Sector (Origin, Tariff and Valuation Directorate), preparing tariff classifications, BTI, instructions for Customs officers, issuing authorizations relating to the duty free exemptions, preparing the CN and updating (drafting) the legislation, and organizing trainings.

From June 2007 to August 2010, he was Director of Origin, Tariff and Excise – VAT, managing the correct implementation of the legislation relating to rules of origin, tariff classifications, BTI, customs valuations methods and excise and VAT, as well as managing and preparing the CN, drafting the legislation and organizing trainings.

From September 2010 to October 2013, Mr Çani was Director of Intellectual Property Rights Protection, responsible for the enforcement of IPR protection by the Customs administration, updating (drafting) the Customs (IPR) legislation and organizing trainings.

Since October 2013, Mr Çani is Director of Risk Management and Monitoring with responsibilities covering the correct implementation of the legislation relating to Risk Management, overall coordination, cooperation and performance related to the risk identification and profiling, risk reduction and risk information sharing. His activities also include updating the Customs legislation related to Risk Management and organizing trainings.

George CONSTANTINOU



Customs officer, member of the Intelligence and Risk Analysis Section of the Department of Customs and Excise of the Republic of Cyprus.

Joined Customs since 2003, having today almost 13 years of experience in Intelligence and Risk Analysis field including also 4 years in Investigation section.

Bachelor degree in Business Administration of Athens University of Economic & Business

Follows part-time studies for a Master in Public Administration in Mediterranean Institute of Management

Born in Nicosia in 1976, married with 2 children age 10 & 7

In 2010 he was appointed as National Contact Point for the RILO WE group (part of WCO Regional Intelligence Liaison Officers) and MAR-INFO/YACHT-INFO South Intelligence Group representing also Cyprus in the annual meetings of the aforesaid groups. He is additionally appointed as national Drug Liaison Officer participating in local and international meetings aiming the fight against drug smuggling. He had followed several trainings on Intellectual Property Rights issues and he is currently member of the European Platform for Experts in the field of IPR violations.

During 2010-2013 he was also active member of the Cash Control Working Group of the European Commission.

He participated in several national customs operations and investigations mainly in the fields of cigarette and tobacco smuggling and IPR violations within Cyprus and he was also appointed as National Contact Point & Coordinator of international scale operations in the fight against smuggling of:

- Drugs (Op. SMART II -WCO, COCAIR-WCO, COSTALOT-EUROPOL, SKYNET I & II-WCO, CATalyst-WCO),
- Counterfeit goods including fake medicines (Op. PANGEA IV-VIII-WCO/INTERPOL/P.S.I., FAIR PLAY I&II-WCO, VALA-WCO, JOGO BONITO-WCO, OPSON II-INTERPOL),
- Cash (Op. ATHENA I-IV-OLAF/E.C.),
- Strategic Goods (Op. COSMO-WCO),
- Cultural Goods (Op. COLOSSEUM–European Commission, Op. ODYSSEUS-WCO),
- CITES species (Op. COBRA-European Commission) and
- Waste shipments (Op. DEMETER II&III-WCO, Op. METAL THEFT-European Commission)

Cecilia FANT



Cecilia Fant works as an Intelligence officer at Medical Product Counterfeiting and Pharmaceutical Crime Unit (MPCPC) at Interpol's headquarter in Lyon, France. She's a superintendent from The National Police in Stockholm Sweden.

Cecilia joined the police in 1988 and have been working in various areas in the police. Since 1995 has she worked with narcotics; surveillance, investigation regarding serious narcotic crime.

The last eight years at the National Police as a project manager for "Drugs at the Internet, a project financed by the Ministry of health, which were aiming to find suspect at the Internet selling narcotics, steroids, research-chemicals, and illicit pharmaceuticals. The main goal was to prevent that young people were able to buy drugs at the Internet. The work was done with surveillance at the Internet- identification of suspects-arrest of suspects- media coverage to get the attention from both the youth and their parents. "Show the problem-otherwise doesn't it exists..."

She got the reward "Police of the year" 2009 from the Carnegie institute in Sweden.

Francisco JIMÉNEZ-VILLAREJO



Francisco Jiménez-Villarejo, National Member for Spain, joined Eurojust in December 2012 and was elected Vice-President in October 2013. He began his career as a prosecutor, joining the Prosecution Office of Seville in 1990. After being promoted to the rank of Senior Prosecutor, he worked at the General Prosecution Offices of Majorca (1996 – 1999), Seville (1999 – 2001), and Malaga (2001 – 2012), where he was appointed Delegate of the Anticorruption Prosecution Office in 2006.

Specialising in international cooperation in criminal matters, Mr Jiménez-Villarejo was a founding member of the Spanish Prosecutors International Cooperation Network in 2002 and a contact point of the European Judicial Network since 2004. He was a TAIEX short-time expert, expert member of the Phare Twinning Project in Bulgaria from 2005 – 2007 and a Council of Europe GRECO evaluator for the prevention of corruption in 2012. He has served as a member of the Permanent Committee of the European Judicial Training Network since 2011. Mr Jiménez-Villarejo is a frequent speaker at high-level international seminars. He was a professor of Criminal and Procedural Law at the Police Academies of Andalucía and Majorca, and in the Public Law Department of the Universidad de las Islas Baleares, and he collaborates on a regular basis with the Universities of Málaga, Valladolid and Castilla-La Mancha. His articles on international cooperation have been published in various books and law journals.

Popi KANARI



Dr Popi Kanari is the Director of State General Laboratory in Nicosia, Cyprus as from 2009 which is a Department of Ministry of Health. She holds a PhD (1974-1977) in Chemistry from the University of London and a BSc (1971-1974) in Chemistry from the same University. In 1980 joined the State General Laboratory working in the area of mycotoxins, drugs, narcotics and forensic chemistry till 1990. In 1990 she was promoted Senior Analyst (part of the Management team) and responsible for the Pharmaceutical and Cosmetics Laboratories as well as the Forensic Chemistry Laboratory (Narcotics).

Member of the Expert Committee on Counterfeit Pharmaceutical products of the Council of Europe 2007-2010, Expert of the Council of Europe on Counterfeit Drugs – Drafted the Convention on Counterfeit Medicines. As from 2010, she is a Member of the Advisory Forum of EFSA, Member of the Committee of Emerging Risks and Nanotechnology of EFSA, President of National Food Council and Member of the National Food Safety Council, Member of the Board of Directors of the National Research Foundation and President of National Bone Marrow Donor Bank (Karaiskakion), Ex-President of the AOAC/Europe Section etc. She is also the Focal Point for the Ministry of Health in the Task Force of WHO for environment and health. She is the author more than 100 scientific papers in international or national scientific journals and conference proceedings.

Elena KLEOPA

Ms Elena Kleopa is an Attorney of the Republic and the Head of the Criminal Law Section of the Law Office of the Republic of Cyprus. She graduated from the Ealing College of Higher Education in London in 1984 and was admitted to the Cyprus Bar in 1986.

She worked in the private sector for 4 years and in 1990 she joined the Law Office as a Legal Counsel. Thereafter, she was promoted to Counsel of the Republic A, Senior Counsel of the Republic and Attorney of the Republic. Since 1996, among other duties, she handles the prosecution of serious cases before the Assize Courts of the Republic and she also deals with criminal appeal before the Supreme Court.

She represented Cyprus at world law conferences, international seminars and European councils. Ms. Kleopa is, inter alia, a member of the European Committee on Crime Problems (CDPC), the International Association of Public Prosecutors, and she is the Cyprus national correspondent for Eurojust She is also a member of the Anti-Crime Council, appointed by the Council of Ministers.

Ivan KOEDJIKOV



Ivan Koedjиков was born in 1954 in Sofia, Bulgaria. In 1980, after graduating *cum laude* in international law from the Moscow State Institute of International Relations, he started a diplomatic career. This led him to take part in negotiating several landmark international agreements: the Stockholm (1986) and the Vienna (1990) Documents on Confidence and Security-Building Measures, the Treaty on Conventional Armed Forces in Europe (1990) and the OSCE Charter of Paris for a New Europe.

In 1987, he served in the Permanent Representation to the UN as special adviser for Bulgaria's non-permanent membership in the UN Security Council. In 1992-1994, he was counsellor in the Embassy of Bulgaria in Paris.

Ivan Koedjиков joined the Council of Europe Secretariat in 1994 as political adviser for enlargement. He followed, amongst others, the negotiations on the Gagauz autonomy in Moldova, the EU-led attempt to negotiate with President Lukashenka of Belarus the restoration of a democratic Constitution after the 1996 "referendum", and the establishment of the Council of Europe presence in the Chechen Republic in 2000.

In 2000, he became Head of Division in the Directorate General of Political Affairs, with responsibility for fifteen applicant and member States, including five "frozen" conflicts. In 2005-2009 he served as Deputy Director of the Private Office of the Secretary General. In 2010, he joined the Directorate General of Human Rights and Rule of Law as Head of Department.

At present Ivan Koedjиков is Head of Action against Crime Department, with responsibilities covering standard-setting, technical co-operation and monitoring in the fields of criminal law, prison and police reform, countering terrorism, fighting corruption and money-laundering and promoting criminal assets recovery. The Department's activities also comprise action against counterfeiting of medical products and trafficking in human organs.

Stella KYRIAKIDES



Stella Kyriakides studied Psychology and worked as a clinical psychologist in the Mental Health Services of the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Cyprus in the area of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry from 1979-2006. Special areas of interest and training were Pediatric oncology and Child sexual abuse. She was member of a number of Boards, actively involved in numerous conferences and has published widely in the area of Child psychology.

In 2006 she was elected to the Cyprus Parliament and is serving until today having been re-elected in 2011 for the Democratic Rally party of which she is Vice-President. At the House of Representatives, she is Vice Chair of the Health Committee and a member of the Committee on Human Rights and Equal Opportunities.

In 2012 she was appointed Head of the Cyprus Delegation to the PACE. At the Assembly, she is an active member of the Social affairs, Health and Sustainable Development Committee and of the Monitoring Committee. From 2013-2015 she served as PACE General Rapporteur for the Child. She is Contact Parliamentarian for Cyprus for the One in Five Campaign of the Council of Europe to combat sexual abuse. She has also, as Rapporteur drafted the first Report of the Assembly on the optimal care of patients with breast cancer in the Council of Europe.

She is an active breast cancer advocate having founded the First Breast Cancer advocacy organisation in Cyprus, Europa Donna Cyprus where she served as President from 2000-2015. She was also President of the European Breast Cancer Coalition Europa Donna, and participated and chaired a number of European committees on Patient rights and the adoption of breast cancer guidelines. She has presented breast cancer and patient rights issues, at numerous European and international scientific meetings, including the European Parliament.

She is very active in a number of charity organisations and has received many awards for the recognition of her relentless efforts and work in support of women's rights, children and patients' rights. She was elected Runner up for the European woman of the year award.

Monika MACISOWICZ

Chief specialist for international cooperation in Polish Main Pharmaceutical Inspectorate. She received her professional education on international relations at the Collegium Civitas in Warsaw, Poland.

For over 9 years working for the Main Pharmaceutical Inspectorate Polish Competent Authority for supervision of manufacturing, importing, distribution and turnover conditions of the medicinal products. She has been dealing with the issue of counterfeit medicinal products since 2009, by representing the Inspectorate on the various international experts groups (WHO SSFFC, WGEO). Short time Expert of Twinning Project – Support to the Health Sector – Capacity Building of the Kosovo Medicines Agency – Kosovo 2010-2012. Expert of TAIEX Project Medium-term support to the Kosovo Medicines Agency in setting up modern and effective pharmaceutical inspections carried out on pharmacies, wholesale companies, manufacturing and importers of medicinal products. Kosovo 2014-2015

Anna PAPHITOU



EDUCATION:

Ms Paphitou studied Pharmacy in Athens University, Greece, from 1978 to 1983, and graduated with an Excellent degree.

In 2008 she obtained a Master's degree in Molecular Biology and Genetics from the University of Cyprus, Biology Department. The subject of her final masters project was "A pharmacogenetic approach for immunosuppression after renal transplantation"

In February 2005 she entered the GMP training program and attended several trainings and seminars in Cyprus and abroad. Since September 2015, she is attending the program for Masters in Public Sector Management.

EXPERTISE:

Anna is GMP and GDP Inspector for manufacturers and distributors of pharmaceutical products, Investigator for quality defects and risk assessment for pharmaceutical products and Internal Auditor for Quality System of Regulatory Department of Pharmaceutical Services.

WORK EXPERIENCE:

From 1986 to 1993 Anna worked as a rural pharmacist, in rural health centers for Pharmaceutical Services, Ministry of Health, Government of Cyprus. From 1993 to 2000 she worked as a quality control analyst in Pharmaceutical Laboratory, Pharmaceutical services, Ministry of Health, Government of Cyprus, carrying out physicochemical and microbiological analysis for quality control testing of medicinal products.

From 2000 to 2005 she was the Head of Quality Control Laboratory, Pharmaceutical Services, carrying out all kind of qc tests and having the overall responsibility for the operation of QC department, of Pharmaceutical Laboratory, Ministry of Health.

From February 2005–until now she is a GMP Inspector in Pharmaceutical services, Ministry of Health, Government of Cyprus.

From January 2014 she is the Head of GMDP Inspectorate, having the responsibility for all GMP/GDP activities as well as Market Surveillance for pharmaceutical products, quality defects Investigation, Rapid Alerts handling. Training of new Inspectors Participates in Operation Pangea, every year since 2011.

MEMBERSHIPS:

From March 2008 to November 2011 she was a member of Cyprus National Bioethics Committee, participating in "Assessment Working Group C", for ethical evaluation of biomedical studies and clinical trials for pharmaceutical products.

She is a member of EMA's CAT Committee, since 2009, and a member of PIC/S Committee of Officials. She participates in EMA's GMDP Inspectors Working Group Meetings, as well as in WGEO Meetings.

OTHER INFORMATION:

Married with two children.

Dora PARTASSIDES

Senior Chemist for Section B, State General Laboratory, Ministry of Health, Cyprus

Alexander ROTH

Alexander Roth is a prosecutor from Potsdam (Germany) with working experience in major criminal cases concerning counterfeit medicine.

After having passed his Law exam in 1999, he worked for some years as a lawyer in a Western law firm in Romania, and as an assistant to a German Member of Parliament.

In 2002, he became a prosecutor in the Public Prosecutor's Office in Potsdam (near Berlin). He worked inter alia in the drug crime department and in the department for investigations against lawyers, tax consultants and members of the judiciary. From 2007 to 2010 he was seconded, first to the Ministry of Justice of the Land (federal state) of Brandenburg, where he worked as an officer for human rights affairs, and then to the General Prosecutor's office of the Land of Brandenburg.

When returning to the Public Prosecutor's office in Potsdam in 2010, he started to work in the department for serious economic crime department. He investigated and prosecuted, for several years, the "Pillendienst case", probably Germany's most prominent case connected to counterfeited medicine. Through the investigation, the "Pillendienst group", which had earned more than 20 million euros by selling, mainly, fake Viagra and slimming pills. Until now, almost 100 members of this criminal organization were sentenced or fined; one of the bosses of the criminal organization was extradited from Uruguay and sentenced to 6 years and 3 months prison.

Since 2014, Mr Roth is also acting head of the major crimes and international judicial cooperation department in his Public Prosecutor's Office.

Lynda SCAMMEL



Lynda works as the Senior Policy Adviser on the Enforcement Group of the Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA).

The MHRA is the Government Agency responsible for medicines and medical devices on the UK market and is an agency of the UK Department of Health.

The Enforcement Group within MHRA has powers to carry out investigations relating to crime involving medicines and bring criminal prosecutions through the Criminal courts. Lynda deals with all policy and legislative developments that affect the group and its operational activity.

Lynda is the MHRA's representative on the Council of Europe's Counterfeit Medicines Expert Working Group (C-Med) and has been involved in training events / awareness raising initiatives in the EU, Eastern Europe and Africa. She part of the team responsible for the drafting of the Medicrime Convention from 2008 onwards. She has also participated in the UNODC working group on Fraudulent Medicines in 2014.

She maintains a close working relationship with her counterparts in Medicines Authorities in EU MS and other countries in Europe and elsewhere.

Lynda also works with groups including the pharmaceutical industry, patient safety associations, financial services and distributors to develop a safer environment for patients to purchase medicines. She is a speaker at a variety of events and Conferences covering medicines issues.

Currently, she is working with stakeholders on the implications of adopting the EU "Common Logo" for online suppliers of medicines in the UK and identifying risks and benefits.

Asier URRUELA MORA



Born in Bilbao (Spain), 1974. Professor of Criminal Law at the University of Zaragoza (Spain). PhD in Law (Summa cum laude) – title of the thesis: "Criminal Imputability and Psychic alteration or abnormality" on November 2002. PhD in Medicine (Summa cum laude) – title of the thesis: "Aggressions to Health Care Professionals. Phenomenology, prevalence and sanctioning methods"

Professional Activity. Former Associate Professor of Criminal Law at the University of the Basque Country (2002-2006) and Professor-Tutor of Criminal Law and Criminology of the Associate Centre of the UNED in Vergara (Guipúzcoa). From 2004 to 2006 he was Co-ordinator of Publications and Research in the Inter-University Chair, BBVA Foundation – Provincial Government of Biscay in Law and the Human Genome, University of Deusto - University of the Basque Country.

Since 2006 he is Professor of Criminal Law at the University of Zaragoza. At present, he is also External Advisor of the Inter-University Chair, Provincial Government of Biscay in Law and the Human Genome, University of Deusto - University of the Basque Country.

Education. Degree in Law and Degree in Economics by the University of Deusto (1997), Doctor (PhD) in Law by the University of the Basque Country (2002), Doctor (PhD) in Medicine by the University of Zaragoza (2014), and Expert in Criminology by the UNED (2005). To broaden his education and research, he has made several research stays abroad: Universities of Munich, Dresde, Lüneburg, Münster, Freiburg, Toulouse (France), Coimbra (Portugal), as well as training stays in Salzburg (Austria), having had several grants awarded by institutions like the German Academic Eschange Service-DAAD and by the Austrian Academic Exchange Service.

Research Activity. His research activities have been aimed towards the areas related with the dogmatic of Criminal Law (culpability, Neurology and Free Will, unimputability due to anomalies, psychic alteration, criminal safety measures, etc.), DNA tests and the administration of justice, as well as the field of Law and the Human Genome (xenotrasplantations, stem cell research, transgenesis and law, the precautionary principle and biotechnologies).

Publications. He is the author of five monographs, as well as of several chapters in scientific books (both in Spain as well as abroad) and of more than 40 articles in Publications with Peer Review Process. He has made translations from both German and English scientific papers to Spanish for Spanish books and reviews.

Congress, Masters and Seminars. He has regularly been a speaker in national and international science forums both in Criminal Law as well as in the field of Law, Ethics and Biomedical Sciences.

Teaching Activity. He teaches classes on Criminal Law (General and Advanced), Law and the Human Genome and Cybercrimes.

Awards and Distinctions. He received the extraordinary doctorate award at the University of the Basque Country (2005) and the José Cerezo Mir Award to the best communication at the Criminal Law student's Congress in the University of Zaragoza (2000).

He is Honorary Professor of the Catholic University of San Agustín de Arequipa of Peru and of the University of Profesor of José Carlos Mariategui de Moquegua (Perú).