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Takis Vidalis completed his basic legal studies at the University of Athens.

In 1995, he received his Ph.D. in constitutional law from the University of Athens (summa cum laude).

In 2001 he was elected a senior scientist and legal advisor of the Hellenic National Bioethics Commission.

He is the author (or co-author) of 7 books and more than 50 academic papers on Bioethics, Biolaw, Medical Ethics, Medical Law, Constitutional Law, Philosophy of Law, Sociology of Law and Environmental Law.

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T. Vidalis has an extensive educational experience for more than 25 years.

Currently he teaches a) “Biolaw and Bioethics”, “Biomedicine and Law”, and “Biolaw, Biosafety and Environment” at the International Hellenic University (interdisciplinary post graduate program in “Bioeconomy. Biotechnology and Law”), b) “Artificial Intelligence: Ethics and Law, at the Law School of the Univ. of Athens (post graduate program in “Sociology of Law”), c) “Medical Ethics and Bioethics” at the University of Athens (distance learning /vocational education program).

Since 2010 he organizes and coordinates the educational program on Bioethics for Schools of the Hellenic National Bioethics Commission, as well as its annual seminar for students and professionals.

Acting as an independent expert in Research Ethics and Law for the European Commission, since 2005, he participated in ethical reviews of biomedical and biotechnology research projects, under the EU research activities (FP 6, 7, European Research Council). As an international expert, he contributed also, to the UNESCO’s Global Ethics Observatory (GEObs) Database on Ethics Related Legislation and Guidelines.

T. Vidalis was a member of the lawmaking committee for the Greek Act on Transplantations (law 2737/1999), and contributed to the ratification process of the Oviedo Convention on Human Rights and Biomedicine (law 2619/1998). He was also a member of the lawmaking committee for the establishment of RECs in universities and research institutes (law 4521/2018), and a member of the lawmaking committee for the mental health law reform. Currently, he is the president of the lawmaking committee working for the rights of patients in dementia.

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