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Brief Curriculum Vitae

Professor Andreas Konstantopoulos received his paediatric training at the A' Paediatric Clinic of the University of Athens. Upon the end of this training, he was elected M.D. of the University of Athens. He continued his studies in the US, where he benefited from a 5-year fellowship for the TUFTS University of Boston.

After returning to Greece, he was elected Lecturer at Children's Hospital "Agia Sofia" and soon after, in 1977, he became Associate Professor of Paediatrics. Before long, he was elected Full Professor of Paediatrics of the University of Athens and in 2001 he was nominated Chairman of the Children's Hospital "Aglaia Kyriakou", one of the two largest children's hospitals in the country. Because of his extended experience, he was invited to organize the "IASO Children's Hospital" in 2008. The new hospital opened its doors a year ago and he is currently holding the position of the Chairman.

Professor Andreas Konstantopoulos has published more than 250 scientific articles in Greek journals and over 150 articles in international journals. His most important publication is the two-volume textbook entitled "Clinical Paediatrics" (1617 pages) that was written in Greek and became available in 2006 to Greek paediatricians and medicine students.

He is a recognized international speaker, having been invited to speak in over 150 events abroad (USA, Japan, Mexico, Europe, China, and Africa) as well as in numerous medical congresses in Greece.

Having a very clear vision regarding paediatrics, he became the President of the Hellenic Paediatric Society in 1998, a position he holds until today. During his long term of office, he has contributed a lot to promoting paediatrics and the position of the paediatricians in Greece.

In 1998, the Ministry of Health of the Hellenic government nominated him Chairman of the National Committee for Vaccinations. His role has been instrumental in establishing a national programme for vaccinations and in managing relevant crises in the past few years.

Professor Andreas Konstantopoulos has also served as member of many Boards in national institutions such as the School of Medicine/University of Athens, the Hellenic Pasteur Institute, the Children's Hospital "Aglaia Kyriakou", and more.

His strong organisational skills and his passion for paediatrics led him to pursuing an active international role as well. He was first involved with CESP/EAP in 1996 when he became the official representative of the Hellenic Paediatric Society, a position he holds until today. In 2001, he headed the successful bid of the Hellenic Paediatric Society for the 25th International Congress of Paediatrics. He was elected President of the Congress that was organised in 2007 in Athens, Greece and attracted 6,500 delegates from 135 countries.

Following the successful organization of the congress, he was elected President of the European Paediatric Association (EPA/UNEPSA). He will hold the position of the President-elect of the Union of Middle Eastern and Mediterranean Paediatric Societies (UMEMPS) for 2011, as in 2012 he will welcome the delegates of the 34th UMEMPS Congress in Athens under his capacity as President of the Union for that year.