

## Curriculum Vitae

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**Short Profile:** Alexandra Theofili is an employee of the National Centre for Social Research. She currently works at the Institute of Social Research (ISR), where she serves as Special Scientific and Technical Staff. Her main responsibilities include participating in the planning, monitoring, and coordination of research projects conducted by the ISR. In addition, Alexandra has significant administrative experience, having served in various management positions in the Greek public administration since 2006. She holds a PhD (2025) from the Department of Geography at Harokopio University, with research focusing on rural development policy analysis. She also holds a Master's degree in Spatial Planning Policy and Development in Europe and a Bachelor's degree in Business Administration. She was a fellow of the State Scholarships Foundation (1998–2003) and the Papastratos Foundation (1999–2003).

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### Current position: Special Scientific and Technical Personnel, Institute of Social Research, National Centre for Social Research

- Various administrative procedures.
- Participate in the planning, scheduling and monitoring of the project (phases, resources, schedule)
- Participate in the search/identification of research projects/actions that fall within the scientific areas addressed by the Institute for Social Research.
- Participate in the planning and coordination of research activities and projects in general
- Participate in the preparation of reports on the material and financial scope of research projects
- Participate in the design of the Institute's communication policy and the communication promotion/promotion of the results of the projects carried out and the dissemination of their results.

### Education:

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2025	Harokopio University, School of Environment, Geography and Applied Economics, Geography Department, PhD in Geography
2005-2007	Harokopio University, School of Environment, Geography and Applied Economics, Geography Department, MSc in Spatial Policies and Development in Europe.
1998-2003:	University of Ioannina, School of Business Administration and Natural Resources Management, Department of Business Administration (Food and Agricultural Enterprises) –

### Work Experience:

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- 2021-today Special Scientific and Technical Personnel, Institute of Social Research, National Centre for Social Research.
- 2018-2021 Administrative Personnel, Human Resources Office, Municipality of Haidari
- 2011-2018 Supervisor, Department of Strategic Planning, Municipality of Haidari
- 2006-2010 Administrative Personnel, Human Resource Office, Municipality of Acharnes
- 2003-2006 Logistics coordinator

### Selected publications and participation in conferences & seminars

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#### A. Publications in Peer-Reviewed Scientific Journals

A1. Papadopoulos, A. G., Fratsea, L.-M., Baltas, P., & Theofili, A. A. (2025). Rural Greece in Transition: Digitalisation, Demographic Dynamics, and Migrant Labour. *Geographies*, 5, Article 61. <https://doi.org/10.3390/geographies5040061>

#### B. Book Chapters

B1. Papadoudis, G., Demertzis, N., Georgiadis, T., Linardis, A., Staikos, C., & Theofili, A. (2025). The survey sample. In N. Demertzis & G. Papadoudis (Eds.), *The Green, Digital and Twin Transition in Greece: Short texts on major challenges* (pp. 273–279). Athens: Papazisis Publications. ISBN 978-960-02-4610-0.

B2. Theofili, A., Kapella, A., Chatzigianni, A., Kondyli, D., Avrami, L., & Georgiadis, T. (2025). Digital transformation. In N. Demertzis & G. Papadoudis (Eds.), *The Green, Digital and Twin Transition in Greece: Short texts on major challenges* (pp. 291–302). Athens: Papazisis Publications. ISBN 978-960-02-4610-0.

B3. Kapella, A., Theofili, A., Kondyli, D., Chatziagianni, A., Staikos, C., & Papadoudis, G. (2025). The twin transition. In N. Demertzis & G. Papadoudis (Eds.), *The Green, Digital and Twin Transition in Greece: Short texts on major challenges* (pp. 303–319). Athens: Papazisis Publications. ISBN 978-960-02-4610-0.

B4. Theofili, A., & Kapella, A. (2025). Public digital services: Social profile, behaviours and attitudes of users. In N. Demertzis & G. Papadoudis (Eds.), *Exploring the Green and Digital Transition in Greece* (pp. 151–163). Athens: Papazisis Publications. ISBN 978-960-02-4610-0.

### C. Publications in Conference Proceedings

C1. Theofili, A. A. (2021). The LEADER method: An evaluation of the method during the 2007–2013 programming period. In Proceedings of the 16th Conference of the Hellenic Association of Agricultural Economists: Sustainable Agriculture, Food Security and Climate Change – Challenges and Prospects for Agricultural Economics (pp. 34–37). Athens: Propompos Publications, 2022. ISBN 978-618-5705-05-3.

C2. Theofili, A. A. (2018). The new rural development paradigm and the CAP: Implementation of LEADER programmes (2007–2013) in rural Greece. In Proceedings of the 15th Pan-Hellenic Conference of Agricultural Economics: Re-defining Rural Development in the Contemporary Digital Era, Thessaloniki, 1–2 November 2018 (pp. 45–46). Thessaloniki: Hellenic Association of Agricultural Economics. ISBN 978-960-89601-4-5, ISSN 2241-8903.

C3. Theofili, A. (2018). Neo-endogenous development strategies: Opportunities arising from the implementation of LEADER programmes. In A. G. Papadopoulos (Ed.), 6th Conference of the Hellenic Sociological Society: Sociology and its Public Role in an Era of Global Transformation – Conference Proceedings (pp. 163–173). Athens: Hellenic Sociological Society. ISBN 978-960-9596-04-6.

C4. Theofili, A. (2017). The neo-endogenous approach and the resilience of rural Greece: Looking deeper into the remedy of rural development. In Book of Abstracts, 13th Conference of the European Sociological Association: (Un)Making Europe: Capitalism, Solidarities, Subjectivities, Athens, 29 August–1 September 2017 (pp. 950–951). ISSN 2522-2562.

C5. Theofili, A. A. (2015). Rural development and rural space: Challenges and opportunities for local communities in crisis-stricken Greece. In S. M. Koniordos (Ed.), Proceedings of the 5th Pan-Hellenic Conference of the Hellenic Sociological Society: Greek Society at the Crossroads of the Crisis – Six Years Later (pp. 157–168). Athens: Hellenic Sociological Society, 2016. ISBN 978-960-9596-03-9.

### D. Conference Presentations

D1. Theofili, A., & Baltas, P. (2025). Bridging Digital Inequalities: Urban-Rural Divides and Migrant Inclusion in Greece. Paper presented at the ESA RN38 Mid-Term Conference: Rural and Regional Realities in Motion: Territoriality, Temporality, and Technology, Chania, 3–5 September 2025.

D2. Theofili, A. (2025). Beyond Smart Solutions: Rethinking Rural Innovation. Paper presented at the ESA RN38 Mid-Term Conference: Rural and Regional Realities in Motion: Territoriality, Temporality, and Technology, Chania, 3–5 September 2025.

D3. Theofili, A. (2024). Sustainability and resilience of Greek rural areas: The role of innovation through the implementation of LEADER programmes. Paper presented at the 9th Conference of the Hellenic Sociological Society: “1974–2024. Society and Sociology in Greece: Fifty Years after the Restoration of Democracy”, Athens, 30 October – 1 November 2024.

D4. Theofili, A., & Papadopoulos, A. G. (2023). Reconfiguring Local Development Strategies in Rural Greece: Valorising, Learning and Consolidating Outcomes from LEADER Programmes. Paper presented at the 13th Conference of Rural Geography, Groningen, Netherlands, 26–30 June 2023.

### Participation in Projects:

1. **CROSSWAY Project – “enCouRage dialOgueS to Support Mental Wellbeing of At-risk Youth with Migrant Background”**  
EKKE Project Team Member (2025–2028)  
Funded by: European Commission – Erasmus+ Programme (KA220-YOU).

Research project examining challenges faced by migrant-background youth (17–29) and promoting mental wellbeing, inclusion, and youth participation through cross-European research and knowledge exchange.

**2. JustReDI Project – “Resilience, Inclusiveness and Development: Towards a Just Green and Digital Transition of Greek Regions”**

EKKE Project Team Member (2023–2025)

Funded by: European Union – NextGenerationEU, National Recovery and Resilience Plan “Greece 2.0”.

Research project examining the social and regional impacts of the green and digital transition in Greece.

**3. MEN4DEM Project – “Masculinities for the Future of European Democracy”**

EKKE Project Team Member (2025–2027)

Funded by: European Union – Horizon Europe.

International research project analysing the role of masculinities in extreme-right politics and their impact on democratic values and participation in Europe.

**4. Evlogon Project – “Model Interdisciplinary Development and Transfer of Know-how and Cooperation in the Restoration of Emblematic Monuments and Highlighting of the Values of Christianity in Dialogue with Society”**

EKKE Project Team Member (2025–2027)

Funded by: General Secretariat for Research and Innovation (GSRI), Greece.

Interdisciplinary project focused on the conservation, restoration, and digital documentation of emblematic Christian cultural heritage monuments.

**5. RaRE Project – “Understanding Risk and Resilience in the Educational Performance of Refugee Children and Youth”**

EKKE Project Team Member (2024)

Funded by: Hellenic Foundation for Research and Innovation (H.F.R.I.).

Research project examining factors affecting refugee and migrant children’s educational participation and resilience.

**6. MaxiPAC Project – “Maximizing Previously Acquired Competences at European Universities”**

EKKE Project Team Member (2021–2023)

Funded by: European Union – Erasmus+.

Project developing tools and procedures for the recognition of qualifications and competences of refugees and third-country nationals in European higher education.

**7. Curing the Limbo – Urban Innovative Actions Pilot Project**

EKKE Project Team Member (2021)

Funded by: European Regional Development Fund (ERDF), Urban Innovative Actions Initiative.

Pilot programme implemented by the City of Athens supporting refugee integration through housing, skills development, and community participation initiatives.