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Christos L. Tsavalopoulos is an Officer of the Fire Brigade at the rank of Lieutenant Fire Colonel. He has been serving in the Department of Preventive Fire Protection of the Legal Support Directorate of the Hellenic Fire Brigade Headquarters since 2014. During the years 2005-2014, he offered his services in the Fire Safety Offices of the Athens Fire Services Command.

He participates in legislative, interministerial committees and working groups of the Fire Brigade regarding the drafting of the legislative framework for the fire protection of buildings and facilities, such as the new regulation of fire protection provisions, (presidential decree 41/2018), twelve (12) firefighting and special fire protection provisions, such as the measures and means of fire protection of public gathering places, schools, offices, shops, warehouses, manufacturing and related facilities, health and social welfare buildings, etc., the electronic issuance of administrative acts of fire protection through the information system e-licences, the specifications of the means and systems of active fire protection, etc. In addition, he participated in the Committees for the simplification of licensing of economic activities (operation notification) etc. legislative frameworks as a representative of the Fire Brigade on issues related to fire protection – fire safety. He is the author and/ or the editor of twenty-one Instructions of the Fire Brigade Headquarters on Active Fire Protection Standards, in accordance with the provisions of firefighting order no. 15/2014.

He has been teaching the courses "Fire Safety Legislation" and "Fire Protection Systems" as a regular professor at the School of Officers of the Fire Academy since the academic year 2012-2013. He is one of the editors and the instructor of the training program of the Fire Academy "Training of Fire Protection Teams", according to the provisions of the Fire Brigade Order no. 14/2014.

He has participated in many scientific conferences, workshops and seminars, with presentations on issues of fire safety and fire protection of buildings and facilities.

In the years 2019 and 2020 he was appointed representative of the National Committee representing Greece in the International Technical Committee for the Prevention and Suppression of Fires (Sub-Committee: Fire Protection).

He was born in Bielefeld, Germany in 1975. He studied Communication & Mass Media at Panteion University. He holds an M.A. degree in the Program of the Department of Business Administration from the University of West Attica called "Public Administration – Public Management", as well as a Master's Diploma in the Studies of "National Security Strategy and Policy" program from the School of National Security.