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## Haris Ghinos

Managing Partner of ELIT Language Services, the largest provider of interpreting services in SE Europe; consultant interpreter of the International Association of Conference Interpreters (AIIC); exclusive member of Calliope Interpreters for Greece, Turkey, Serbia, Malta. An acknowledged international expert on conference interpreting and Project Leader at ISO TC37/SC5/WG2 drafting the forthcoming ISO 23155 on conference interpreting services.

Holds degrees in Physics (University of Athens), War Studies (King's College, London), International Politics (ULB, Brussels) and Finance (Economic University of Athens).

Held managerial positions with US multinationals in the field of Waste Management and Environmental Management Systems and worked with professional conference organisers and advertising companies.

Former staff at the European Commission, Brussels; as independent interpreter has provided simultaneous and consecutive interpreting in over 3,500 high level conferences and meetings for all EU institutions and UN, NATO, OSCE, WEU, IMF, World Bank, ILO, FIFA, FIBA, UEFA, Europol, Eurojust, ICAO, the Council of Europe and the private sector. Worked at the highest government level, including the visits of President Stephanopoulos and Premier Papandreou to the US and the state visits of US Presidents Clinton and Obama to Athens.

Member of the Council of AIIC for Greece and Cyprus (2009-2012) and Member of the Advisory Board of the Association of Conference Interpreters of Serbia.