Candidate for Councilor

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BIOGRAPHY

Academic Background:
Ph.D., University of Patras, 1999, Computer Science.

Professional Experience:
Assistant Professor, University of Crete & ICS FORTH, Greece, 2009;
Ecocloud Visiting Professor, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, Switzerland, 2014;
Lecturer & Assistant Professor, University of Ioannina, Greece, 2002 – 2009.

Professional Interest:
Distributed Computing; Parallel Computing; Algorithms and Theoretical Computer Science;
Experimental Algorithmics; Mathematics for Computer Science.

ACM Activities:
General Chair of ACM PODC, 2013;
Treasurer of ACM PODC, 2012;
Publicity chair of ACM PODC, 2004 – 2005;
Awards Chair of ACM PODC, 2009.

Membership and Offices in Related Organizations:
Editor of Distributed Computing Column of the Bulletin of EATCS, European Association for
Theoretical Computer Science (EATCS), 2009.
STATEMENT

I am delighted to be nominated as a candidate for the ACM Europe Council. If I am elected, I would like to contribute in the following directions:

- Organize more ACM conferences on Distributed and Parallel Computing, and, more generally, on the Theory of Computing, in Europe. Given my long experience in organizing ACM PODC (General Chair in 2013, Treasurer in 2012, Publicity Chair in 2004 and 2005, Awards Chair in 2009) and my constant participation in it these last 15 years, as an author and as a PC member, I would be interested to work with the SIGs to organize ACM conferences, like PODC, in Greece, in the future.

- Encourage larger participation of European (and Greek) young scientists in several ACM activities and strongly encourage participation of women in CS.

- Promoting the local chapters by organizing seminars and/or lectures to make them more active.

- Foster education in CS by identifying actions to address the changing needs of students in the field, connecting students to the ACM people, facilities, and resources (e.g. by increasing awareness of ACM online courses, articles and other electronic material, promoting the travel grants and awards programmes, as well as other relevant ACM activities).