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**PRESS RELEASE**

Mr. Athanasios C. Thanopoulos assumed his duties as President of the Hellenic Statistical Authority, following a decision of the Minister of Finance. The ad hoc international Committee of Experts unanimously recommended his appointment as President of the Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT).

A short curriculum vita of the new President is attached.



**Athanasios C. Thanopoulos** was born in 1970 in Athens, Greece. He holds a PhD in Economics from the University of Pittsburgh, a DEA and a DEEQA in Mathematical Economics and Econometrics from the Toulouse School of Economics, and a Ptychio in Economics from the National & Kapodistrian University of Athens.

During his tenure with the Council of Economic Advisers of the Greek Ministry of Finance, Dr. Thanopoulos dealt with a wide range of topics, notably: statistical governance; quality of official statistics; design of bank recapitalization and resolution schemes; social security/pension design; and design of optimal reimbursement schemes for pharmaceuticals. He participated for several years as a head of delegation and national expert in the respective EU Committees and Working Groups, including the EFC Sub-Committee on Statistics and the Council WP on Statistics.

He taught courses in various areas of Economics, Econometrics and Statistics at the undergraduate, masters and doctoral levels in Greece, USA and France. His research has been published in international refereed journals and focuses on behavioral public finance, dynamic stochastic general equilibrium models, social insurance design, public debt sustainability, and quantitative analyses of taxation.

On January 2016, following an international selection procedure, the ad hoc international Committee of Experts unanimously recommended his appointment as President of the Hellenic Statistical Authority.