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### **Ioannis Tzanakos**

Ioannis Tzanakos applied to be a member of the EIOPA Occupational Pensions Stakeholder Group willing to tackle the Pension Gap issue. If no action is taken, in the years to come Europeans will face a substantial reduction in the employee's standard of living once they retire.

Ioannis has a B.Sc. and a M.Sc. degree in International Accounting & Finance from Athens University of Economics & Business and from Cass Business School (City University of London). In addition, he received a full scholarship for an MBA Degree from ALBA Graduate Business School.

Ioannis is digital intelligent and has broad based experience in Auditing & Finance. He acquired skills of business analysis and financial controlling from working in manufacturing and commercial multinational companies like GrandVision and Starbucks. He gained technical knowledge in Solvency II supervisory convergence from his responsibilities as a Director of Finance, Investments and Risk Management in a Mutual Insurance Cooperative. He has been active for several years in the insurance / pensions industry, during which he encountered regulatory requirement challenges from many perspectives.

As a consultant and qualified accountant, he shares his know-how on the steps required for the establishment of an Occupational Insurance Fund in his country and offers services for their proper operation that includes Organization, Supervision and Management.

He is elected Secretary General of the Hellenic Union of IORP's. As part of his responsibilities, he has contributed to the development of Occupational Insurance in Greece and worked for the benefit of insured persons, the society and the economy. In this context, he has participated closely in the meetings and discussions with competent foreign and local bodies, supervisors and organizations in the field of pensions, including the incorporation of IORP II Directive into national law.

His attentive approach together with his knowledge in different areas and matters will help him become an effective member of the OPSG.