

**RENEWAL OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF EQUINET – THE EUROPEAN NETWORK OF
EQUALITY BODIES**

MANDATE 2019 – 2021

CANDIDATE NOMINATION FORM

Please return this form to:

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Equinet Secretariat

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Deadline for nominations: 18th September 2019

Name of the Equality Body and country	The Greek Ombudsman/Greece
Name of Candidate: <i>(First name Family Name)</i>	Konstantinos Bartzeliotis
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Please note that a nomination form will only be considered valid if it includes pages 1 and 2 fully completed and accompanied by a Resume/profile of the candidate in English.

The form also needs to be hand-sign and dated by the nominated candidate and the Head of the Member Organisation (if different).

The Secretariat will also need to receive a picture of the candidate (see page 4 of Elections guide).

1. My motivation for becoming a member of the Equinet Executive Board:

(please explain why you would like to sit on the Equinet Executive Board)

I work as senior investigator in the Greek Ombudsman since 2003, specializing in social security and social protection issues. As soon as the Greek Ombudsman became the monitoring body in Greece for the EU anti-discrimination Directives in 2005, I was also involved with this new field, focusing in particular on disability related issues. This background, I believe allows me to have an insight on the question to what extent and in which ways equality is interrelated to other rights in practice. Since 2010, I was also member of the inter-departmental team of the Greek Ombudsman focusing on the implementation of the anti-discrimination legislation.

From my experience so far I can reaffirm that equality bodies are in the front-line in the effort to promote equality, particularly because they are more easily accessed than the courts and they play a proactive role, by identifying and combating the factors which give fertile ground for discrimination to grow, such as prejudice and stereotypes.

In this respect, I do believe that Equinet's role is of great significance, because it materializes the exchange of good practices and the developed expertise, providing national equality bodies with a valuable source of inspiration. Moreover, having acquired a European perspective, Equinet can also have an influential role to play in the formation of policies in this particular field at European level.


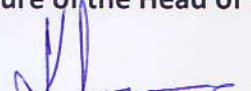

Until now, I believe I have contributed to the Equinet's mission by participating in the cluster for quasi-judicial bodies (2016-2017) and to the working group on equality law and its work (2018-2019).

As a candidate for becoming a member of the executive board, my ambition is to broaden my contribution, by participating more actively at the planning of activities and the pursuance of its objectives as mentioned above.

2. Additional note or other relevant information relating to your application (if any):

(any information about yourself and your achievement that you think is important for people who will have to consider the quality of your candidacy)

Feel free to expand text boxes as you see fit.

<p>Date:17/9/2019</p>	<p>Signature of the candidate:  Signature of the Head of the Department  Signature of the Head of the Organisation  (if different)</p>
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