



## CNUE President 2020 - Georgios Rouskas, Greece

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### Biography

Georgios Rouskas was born in Athens in 1964. He graduated from the Law Department of the Faculty of Law of the National and Capodistrian University of Athens in 1988. From 1990 he was appointed as a lawyer at the Court of First Instance of Athens, practising in the private sector for three years. He was appointed notary in Athens in 1993.

Since 2015, he has been Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Chamber of Notaries of Athens, Piraeus, the Aegean Sea and the Dodecanese, having been elected member of the Board of Directors from 2003 to 2009, Treasurer from 2009 to 2012 and Vice-Chairman from 2012 to 2015. He is President of the Coordinating Committee of the Chambers of Notaries of Greece and President of the CNUE for the year 2020.

Georgios Rouskas specialises in matters of real estate taxation, real estate law and cadastre legislation. He has made numerous interventions on these areas during seminars organised by the Chambers of Lawyers and Notaries and by the Associations of Tax Experts. He has also published a significant number of articles on the above-mentioned areas in law and tax journals.

### President message

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Among our work priorities, we will focus on company law issues, in particular the transposition of the Directive on the digitalisation of the life cycle of companies into national law. This directive relies on the involvement of notaries to ensure legal certainty in the process, the identification and verification of the legal capacity of entrepreneurs, impartial advice and the prevention of money laundering and tax fraud.



The issue of the fight against money laundering and the implementation of the various European legislations will be another of our priorities. Our exemplary involvement in this area is a major asset for the European notariat because it highlights the interest of our status for the States.

And finally, of course, there is the issue of the digitalisation of our activities. The new Commission intends to strengthen the EU's technological sovereignty. A coordinated approach on artificial intelligence and a new Digital Services Act are envisaged. Today, the European notariat is at the forefront of the legal professions and is therefore an essential partner. Let us ensure that we remain so, and that we are in control of our future and the technological choices that will be made.