

Assoc. Professor Thomas Papadopoulos assumes the supervision of a new Marie Skłodowska-Curie YUFE Postdoctoral Researcher at the University of Cyprus, Dr. Ivan Romashchenko

Thomas Papadopoulos, Associate Professor of Business Law at the Department of Law, assumes from 1st November 2024 the supervision of a new Marie Skłodowska-Curie YUFE Postdoctoral Researcher at the University of Cyprus, Dr Ivan Romashchenko. The research project of Dr. Romashchenko has the title “*Challenging Strategies: Related Party Transactions in the EU*”. It evaluates the effectiveness and efficiency of the use of strategies for related party transactions as provided by the EU Directive 2017/828 and national implementing acts as well as their perception by stakeholders. This research project investigates and analyses three jurisdictions, namely those of Cyprus, Poland, and Belgium.

In this project Dr. Romashchenko will be co-supervised by Dr. Aleksandra Sikorska-Lewandowska, an Assistant Professor at the Department of Commercial, Maritime and Civil Procedure Law of the Faculty of Law and Administration of Nicolaus Copernicus University in Toruń, Poland. Both the University of Cyprus and Nicolaus Copernicus University are partner universities in the Young Universities for the Future of Europe (YUFE) Alliance, comprising nine research-intensive institutions. The YUFE4Postdocs (Y4P) program is a part of this alliance. The program is co-funded by Horizon Europe’s Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA) scheme. As a MSCA YUFE Postdoc, Dr Romashchenko will take part in the YUFE4Postdocs training program, engage with stakeholders, and contribute to the research collaboration with a co-host in a partner YUFE university.

Before coming to the University of Cyprus, Dr. Romashchenko was a Max Weber Fellow at the European University Institute (Italy) and a Senior Researcher at Mykolas Romeris University (Lithuania). He has experience of researching and teaching company law, civil law, private international law, and cultural rights to undergraduate and postgraduate students at the Department of Civil Law at Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv (Ukraine) as well as business law at the American University of the Middle East (Kuwait). In 2020, he received his PhD on the topic “*Related Party Transactions and Corporate Groups: When Eastern Europe Meets the West*” from Leiden University (the Netherlands) with an extensive comparative study of Dutch, German, Polish and EU company laws, which was published as a monograph by Wolters Kluwer.