

Future-Facing Programmes



The demands made of governments are constantly evolving, especially in the digital domain. NGTIs are reviewing their curricula to meet these new needs, and to equip public service leaders for these new and emerging roles. Dr. Evi Dramalioti, President of the National Centre for Public Administration and Local Government (EKDDA) shares how their NGTI is responding to such demands.

Greece

In September 2022, EKDDA launched a new training programme to staff the new interministerial "Executive Branch". The programme has been designed in close association with Greece's Ministry of the Interior, the EU's DG Reform, Expertise France and the French ex-École Nationale d'Administration (now Institut National du Service Public).

The training curriculum is organised around three specialties: public policy analysts, digital policy analysts, and law-drafting experts. The public policy analysts will be trained, among other things, in the use of quantitative and qualitative data and to produce evidence-based policies, digital policy analysts will focus on artificial intelligence and digital innovation, and legal experts will master law drafting.

Senior Greek and international faculty are involved in the design and teaching of the program. Those eligible to apply must have four years of public service experience and a master's degree or a degree from the Greek National School of Public Administration (ESDDA). And for the first time in Greek Public Administration, the admissions test will be conducted online and combines human and Al proctoring, using cutting-edge technologies. Following the successful completion of the three-month long programme, graduates will staff coordination units of the Presidency Secretariat and the ministries. The impetus for the programme is part of an ongoing modernisation effort of the Greek government and is aligned with the strategic goals of the Executive State reform introduced in 2019.

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President of EKDDA, Dr. Evi Dramalioti, stressed the importance of utilising international experience to introduce new educational and professional paths into the Greek public administration. "In an era of constant crises, uncertainty, and complexity, it is extremely important to have qualified executives capable of managing complex problems and supporting decisions made at the political level."

National Centre for Public Administration and Local Government



The National Centre for Public Administration and Local Government (EKDDA) was founded in 1983. It is the national strategic body for the education and training of public administration employees and officials, including MPs, and a key advisor to the state for improving the organisation, efficiency and effectiveness of the Public Administration.