## Brief CV of Prof. George I. Mantanis:

He was born in Mytilene in 1966 and grew up in Stipsi, Lesbos, Greece. He is presently a senior faculty member at Dept. of Forestry, Wood Sciences and Design, and director of the Lab of Wood Science and Technology. During the years 2002-2019, he participated in the academic organisation and realisation of the former Dept. of Wood & Furniture Design and Technology (f. TEI of Thessaly), at Karditsa city, and also served as Chair for six academic years.

He acquired his PhD in 1994 from University of Wisconsin – Madison in wood science. Prior to his academic career, he was employed by Forest Research Institute of Thessaloniki (1996-1997), and also, at the industrial chemical company ACM Wood Chemicals Plc (1998-2001), today Chimar Hellas. He holds two international patents and has >2,000 citations at Google Scholar<sup>®</sup>. Currently he is Co-Editor in the referred journal, Wood Material Science and Engineering (I.F. 2.553), and since 2017, he collaborates with the Greek magazine, *KTIRIO*. In 2020 and 2021, his name was included in *Mendeley Data*, which incorporates the most recognised scientists (Materials/Forestry). In 2021, Prof. G. Mantanis was elected as a Fellow at The International Academy of Wood Science (IAWS).

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