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Anastasia Andritsou is Director British Council Greece, contributing to the education policy agenda in the European region, developing an innovative and forward-thinking skills agenda for youth and underprivileged communities, and strengthening bilateral collaborations between the UK and Greece. She has private sector experience in wireless networks and smart automation technologies. She joined the British Council in 2004 as a Science Project Manager and implemented a major science communication programme for general audiences and schools. In 2007 she was appointed Head of Partnerships and Programmes, with responsibility for planning and implementing innovative science, arts and education projects through strategic co-operation with partners in Greece and globally. Anastasia featured as one of The Guardian newspaper's 50 Voices: what social enterprise means to you. She studied Electrical Engineering at the National Technical University of Athens, holds a Master's degree from the Polytechnic School of Toulouse in France and an Executive MBA from the Athens University of Economics and Business.



RICHARD NORTH Diplomat

Richard North is responsible for Foreign Policy at the British Embassy Athens, alongside leading the Embassy's Communications and Public Diplomacy work. He is passionate about the contribution of cultural and educational relations to the UK-Greece relationship. Richard's previous experience includes a range of European-focused policy roles in London and time as a Press Officer. He also has private sector experience in marketing and strategy. Prior to joining the Foreign and Commonwealth Office in 2013, Richard attended the University of Oxford, where he was College Arts Representative, and graduated in 2012 with a degree in Ancient and Modern History.







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Dan Hong was appointed First Secretary (Political & Economic) at the British Embassy Athens in October 2019. He joined the Foreign Office in 2017, beginning his career in the Economics Unit, before accepting a post in Athens and commencing Greek language training. He also worked briefly at the UK Representation to the EU in Brussels in 2015–16. Born in London, he studied Economics at the Universities of Cambridge and Durham, where he played in the symphony orchestra and competed in the Varsity karate match. Music of all genres remains his passion.

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