

A BRIEF HISTORY OF



MARIA CHALARI

A DEDICATED RESEARCHER IMPROVING EDUCATION
AND MAKING A DIFFERENCE TO CHILDREN'S LIVES

NOV 1978

Brought earthside in Athens, Greece

1996

Graduated from school in Athens, Greece while all summers in Anafi, Cyclades, her motherland

1998

Started studying at the National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, School of Education, Department of Early Childhood Education

2002

Bachelor of Arts in Early Childhood Education

2003

Postgraduate studies at the National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Department of Early Childhood Education & University of London, Institute of Education

2004

Studying at the Institute of Education, University of London, London, UK

2005

Started working with NGOs and travelling around the world (Hungary, Turkey, Bulgaria, Nigeria, Portugal, Italy, Spain, Cyprus, Russia, Egypt, Jordan etc.)

2006

Master of Arts in Education and Human Rights, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, School of Education, Department of Early Childhood Education & University of London, Institute of Education

SUMMER OF 2006

Working & travelling in Japan Tokyo, Yokohama, Yamanashi, Kyoto, Hiroshima, Nara, Kobe, Himeji, Osaka etc.

2007

Worked as a research assistant, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece

2010

Beginning of doctoral studies, University College London, Institute of Education, London, UK

SUMMER OF 2011

Worked as Assistant Intern, University of Nizwa, Oman



WINTER 2011

Visited with the 'International Doctoral Student Exchange Support Program' Waseda University in Tokyo, Japan

SUMMER 2012

Worked as Senior Mentor at the Challenge Network Charity in the UK (Brighton, London, Weston Super Mare etc.)

AUTUMN 2012

Visited with scholarship Beijing Normal University in Beijing, China

2013

Became mother of Fotis

2016

Awarded as Doctor in Education in the field of Sociology of Education University College London, Institute of Education in London, UK

2016-2017

Research assistant in various research programmes, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece

2017 - 2019

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, National & Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece

2019 - 2022

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Postdoctoral Research Fellow, European University Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus

2022 – Today

Scientific Collaborator & Research Associate European University Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus

2022-2023

Postgraduate Certificate in Therapeutic Photography Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen