

## **Brief CV**

### **Dimitrios Gakis, MD, FHElCS (EU)**

Consultant Surgeon, Director NHS

General, HPB, Transplant, Endocrine & Vascular Access Surgery

Current post: Surgery & Transplantation Dept, Hippocrates Hospital, Medical School, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece

Education: Medical School of Thessaloniki,

Postgraduate Medical School

Liver Unit, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham, UK"

### **Summary**

Dr Dimitrios Gakis is a co-founder of the Surgery and Transplantation Dept, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki since 1987, a very active dept. with an average of 1100-1200 operations per year. It is the biggest transplant centre of abdominal organs and a referral centre for advanced surgery both from Greece and Balkan area of Europe. Department's yearly activity is 45-50 liver and 50 - 60 kidney transplantations (pediatric & adult) a few combined liver – kidney and kidney - pancreas transplantations. It is a training centre for residents in General Surgery and postgraduate students.

He served as Consultant General Surgeon, Head of the Faculty of Surgery and of the Department of Surgery in two different Hospitals in Saudi Arabia

Dr Gakis experience far exceeds 2000 transplantations and 20.000 of General/ Vascular/ HPB nad Oncological Surgery, operations, so far.

Because of his significant contribution to the development of Greek NHS he was awarded from the Minister of Health to become the Executive Manager and the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the AHEPA University Hospital of Thessaloniki, Greece from 2004 to 2010.

He was Special Secretary in Medical Society of Thessaloniki , Greece 2009-2013 (two elections)

He was representative of Greece in Commission EU and European Council.

He was elected President of Hellenic Transplant Association (HTA).

He was elected vice President of Hellas Transplant Competent Authority

He was representing HTA in European Society of Organ Transplantation.