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Personal Profile

Undergraduate studies at the University of Grenoble I, France (B.Sc. in Physics, 1982), graduate studies at the University of Grenoble I (M.Sc. in Physics, 1983), at Grenoble II (D.E.A in Energy - Economics, 1984), and at the National Polytechnic of Grenoble (D.E.A in Energy-Physics, 1984 and Ph.D. in Applied Physics, 1986). He has worked as Post-doctoral Fellow, 1987-88 at the University of Sherbrooke, Quebec-Canada and as Research Associate-Lecturer, 1988-92 at the University of Toronto, Ontario – Canada before returning to Cyprus.

Research Profile

His research interests are: Applied optics, matter-light interaction, photothermal phenomena, laser-semiconductor interactions, optoelectronics sensors, solar materials, and lasers for archaeometry and art. He is on the Editorial Board of the book series "Progress in Photothermal and Photoacoustic Science and Technology", published by the American Institute of Physics.

He is working on combining photovoltaic and piezoelectric effects to make more effective solar devices for warm climates.

Other interests

In his spare time he enjoys the highlands of Cyprus very much.

Not long ago, he bought an orchard on the mountains which he visits it very often to water and attend to. He finds this very uplifting as nothing beats the smell you get in the mountains...

He also enjoys watching his son play football in the club of their home village also likes writing. He is currently writing a novel about Lapithos, his home village and life there as it used to be.

Relevant Links or info

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