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## **President's Message**

The Athens Institute for Education and Research (ATINER) is pleased to announce the publication of a number of peer reviewed, open access journals of original research work. Most of the articles will be selected from the numerous papers that have been presented at the various annual international academic conferences organized by the different research divisions and units of the Athens Institute for Education and Research. The plethora of papers presented every year will enable the editorial board of each journal to select the best, and in so doing produce a top quality academic journal. In addition to papers presented, ATINER will encourage the independent submission of papers to be evaluated for publication.

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**Gregory T. Papanikos**  
**President**  
**Athens Institute for Education and Research**



## **Editor's Note**

It is with great pleasure that we present the first issue of the Athens Journal of Law.

The Athens Institute for Education and Research (ATINER), among its broad activities, has been holding annual international conferences on law since 2003, and has published numerous books on various law subjects. These have included selected papers based on presentations submitted at the ATINER's conferences on law. However, there has been a growing need to add an online journal to its activities.

The Athens Law Journal has been established in order to encourage and support scholarly works in all fields of law. The editors of Athens Law Journal welcome papers on various aspects and topic of law also independently of presentations at ATINER's conferences.

All papers will be sent to one or more external reviewers selected from a database of experts, for a blind peer review. Once the reviews have been received, the editors make a decision to accept or reject a paper, or to request revisions from the author according to the reviewers' comments. Any original article authored by a member of the journal's editorial team is independently peer reviewed, and the author of such an article will have no influence or input in the review process or publication decision for his or her own article.

We hope that the Athens Law Journal will contribute to the study of law sciences and legal profession, and will serve as a stage to further research and knowledge in the various fields of law.

**David A. Frenkel and Michael P. Malloy**  
**Co-editors of the Athens Law Journal**

