

# Phoebe Koundouri

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## Nationality

Greek

## Career History

Phoebe Koundouri is Professor in Economics and Director of ReSEES Laboratory at the School of Economics of the Athens University of Economics and Business, part-time Research Professor at the Department of Technology, Management and Economics of the Technical University of Denmark (DTU), and Director of the Sustainable Development Research Unit at ATHENA Information Technology Research Center. She holds a MPhil and a PhD in Economics from the University of Cambridge, and has held academic positions at the University of Cambridge, University College London, University of Reading, and London School of Economics. She is recognized as a pioneer in innovative, human-centric, interdisciplinary systems for the sustainable interaction between nature, society, and the economy. She has published 15 books and more than 500 scientific papers, co-edited a number of prestigious academic journals, organized numerous international scientific conferences, supervised more than 30 PhD students, and gave keynote speeches and public lectures across the world.

In 2019, she was elected President of the European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (EAERE) and she is now chairing the World Council of Environmental and Natural Resource Economists Associations (WCERE). She is the director of the Alliance of Excellence for Research and Innovation on AE4RIA, linking the research and innovation work of 5 research centers, 5 innovation accelerators and numerous science-policy networks, with more than 200 researchers and 100 large interdisciplinary competitively funded projects involved. She is chair of the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) Global Climate Hub and co-chair of SDSN Europe, with 2000 universities involved. She is elected member of Academia Europaea, the European Academy of Sciences and Arts, the World Academy of Art and Science, and member of the InterAcademy Partnership Board. She is commissioner for the Lancet Commission on COVID19 Recovery and invited member of the Program on Fraternal Economy of Integral and Sustainable

Development of the Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences. In 2022 she received the prestigious European Research Council Synergy Grant and in 2023, she was awarded the Academy of Athens Excellence in Science Award, awarded every four years. She is member of the Nominating Committee for the Prize in Economics Sciences in Memory of Alfred Nobel, the Royal Swedish Academy of Science.

## Awards / Publications

- 2023: Chair of World Council of Environmental Resource Economists Association (WCEREA)
- 2023: Academy of Athens Excellence in Science Award for outstanding contributions to the field of Marine Environment Science.
- 2022: Fellow & Trustee at World Academy of Art and Science
- 2022: Fellow at Academia Europae
- 2022: Member of the European Academy of Sciences and Arts
- 2022: Member of the IAP's Development and Programme Committees on Academy Capacity Building
- 2022: Best Applied Paper Journal of Benefit-Cost Analysis for the research paper titled "Open Access in Scientific Information: Sustainability Model and Business Plan for the Infrastructure and Organization of OpenAIRE."
- 2022: Best Poster Award at the 1st International Electronic Conference on Land (IECL) for the presentation on "Digital Agricultural Management Tools for Efficient and Integrated Policy-Making."
- 2022: Nominator for the Blue Planet Prize.
- 2021: Member of the Nominating Committee for the Prize in Economics Sciences in Memory of Alfred Nobel, The Royal Swedish Academy of Science.
- 2021: President European Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (EAERE)
- 2021: EAERE Award for ERC Grants laureates in the field of environmental and resource economics 2021, recognizing Prof. Phoebe KOUNDOURI from Athens University of Economics and Business for the ERC Synergy Grant, presented at the 26th Annual Conference of the EAERE (23-26/6/2021).
- 2020: Synergy Grant of the European Research Council (ERC) for the project "Water Futures."
- 2019: European Commission first Horizon Impact Award, presented to the EU-funded project "SMART-COASTS" (Italy) for its significant societal impact across Europe and beyond.
- 2015: The Quality of Policy Contribution Award from the European Association of Agricultural

Economics for the co-authored paper titled "Information Transmission in Irrigation Technology Adoption and Diffusion: Social Learning, Extension Services, and Spatial Effects" published in the American Journal of Agricultural Economics, Volume 96(1): 328–344.

2011: Best Publication Award from the European Association of Agricultural Economists (EAAE) for the 2009 paper titled "The Effects of EU Agricultural Policy Changes on Farmers' Risk Attitudes," published in the European Review of Agricultural Economics, Volume 36(1), pages 53-77, March.

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### Areas of expertise

environmental economics, sustainable development, sustainable blue growth, SDGs – ESG measurement, Sustainable Finance, Climate Neutrality & Resilience, human-centric, interdisciplinary systems for the sustainable interaction between nature, society, and the economy, behavioral experiments and non-market valuation, micro-econometrics, integrated climate change, and energy/land-use modeling under uncertainty.