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Introduction

This report provides an overview of the Greek results from The State of Play in European Coaching & Mentoring (2017) research project, and compares these with the results from Europe and the UK.

Research method

The aim of the research project was to extend beyond traditional institutional networks and the main European languages (English, French, German and Spanish), to provide a more inclusive research study, recognising the equal value of all European countries, languages and cultures, and of the different professional bodies and institutions.

The research questions were designed by the researchers in collaboration with the EMCC, and were adapted during the development phase. For each country, a research partner or team was identified and a National Research Lead was consulted on whether the survey should be translated, and which language(s) should be used. The National Research Leads led the translation process, which involved initial translation and an independent review.

The survey was launched on 1 March 2017 in 31 languages, ranging from English, Spanish, French and German, to Greek, Catalan and Serbian.

The survey was publicised through established coaching federations and management bodies, as well as online through social media interest groups. In total, approximately 100 organisations committed to sharing the research link with their members or to publishing details of the research on their website.

Participants took, on average, 25 minutes to complete the questionnaire.
The development of coaching in Greece

Coaching was primarily introduced in Greece around the year 2003 by several coach pioneers. However, it really started to develop in 2009 with the creation of the Hellenic Coaching Association (HCA), which is affiliated with the European Mentoring and Coaching Council (EMCC). This was followed by the formation of an International Coach Federation (ICF) chapter in 2013.

Since then, awareness of coaching has increased steadily, creating a strong demand for coaching services for individual and corporate clients as well as for coaching training at different levels. In parallel, organisations are increasingly combining management development training with coaching and are investing in the development of coaching skills for their leaders. The expected next step is the development of a coaching culture in Greek and international companies.

The HCA and ICF have emphasised the importance of supervision and coach mentoring as a key factor for the development of high quality standards in the Greek market. Both bodies promote the benefits and positive impact of coaching for individuals and organisations.

The HCA runs a programme of continuous education for coaches which includes knowledge meetings, solidarity coaching, group supervision and peer coaching. The ICF runs a range of different programmes including peer group coaching and knowledge meetings. Its members also offer pro bono sessions to the public.

The EMCC and ICF also offer individual coach and coaching training accreditation. Membership of these two bodies in Greece fluctuates; as of summer 2017, the HCA has 87 members while the ICF has 66. In total, the number of certified and accredited coaches in Greece can be estimated at approximately 200.

There are six private providers of professional coaching training accredited by professional bodies, including the EMCC, the ICF and the Association for Coaching (AC). There are also a couple of e-learning university programmes, which provide an introductory training to coaching skills, offered by the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens and the University of Piraeus.

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Η ανάπτυξη του coaching στην Ελλάδα


Από τότε παρατηρείται σταθερή ανάπτυξη και ηλεκτρονική ζήτηση για υπηρεσίες coaching τόσο από μεμονωμένους όσο και από εταιρικούς πελάτες, καθώς και για την παροχή επαγγελματικής εκπαίδευσης Coaching σε διάφορες επιπέδους. Παράλληλα, εταιρείες και οργανισμοί συνδυάζουν όλο και περισσότερο την επαγγελματική ενδυνάμωση των στελεχών τους με το coaching και επενδύουν στην ανάπτυξη δεξιοτήτων coaching για τους πελάτες τους. Το επόμενο βήμα είναι η καλλιέργεια μιας κουλτούρας coaching σε ελληνικές και διεθνείς εταιρείες.

Το HCA και το ICF τονίζουν τη σημασία της εποπτείας και της καθοδήγησης των coaches από μέντορες ως βασικό στοιχείο για την ανάπτυξη υψηλών ποιοτικών προτύπων στην ελληνική αγορά. Και οι δύο φορείς εστιάζουν στην προώθηση της θετικής επίδρασης και των πολλαπλών ωφελειών του coaching τόσο σε ατομικό όσο και σε εταιρικό επίπεδο.

Ο ICF τρέχει προγράμματα όπως peer group coaching και συναντήσεις γνώσεως. Επίσης, τα μέλη του προσφέρουν εθελοντικά συνεδρίες σε διαφορετικές εκδηλώσεις, ανοιχτές για το ευρύτερο κοινό.

Ο HCA εφαρμόζει ένα πρόγραμμα συνεχιζόμενης εκπαίδευσης για coaches, το οποίο περιλαμβάνει Συναντήσεις Γνώσης, Solidarity Coaching, ομαδική εποπτεία και peer coaching. Παράλληλα οι διεθνείς φορείς EMCC και ICF προσφέρουν διαπιστευτές για ατομικές πιστοποιήσεις καθώς και για πιστοποιήσεις εκπαιδευτικών προγραμμάτων.
Biographical information

In total, 69 participants from Greece completed the online questionnaire, from a total response of 2,898 from across Europe, of which 946 were from the UK.

**Diagram 1: Gender of respondents**

**Diagram 2: Membership of professional coaching associations**

**Q1.6 Which coaching and mentoring bodies are you a member of?**

- **ISCP**: International Society for Coaching Psychology
- **SGCP**: Special Group in Coaching Psychology (British Psychological Society)
- **WABC**: Worldwide Association for Business Coaching
- **AC**: Association for Coaching
- **EMCC**: European Mentoring and Coaching Council
- **ICF**: International Coach Federation
- **Other**
- **None**
Coaching practice

Diagram 3: Proportion of working time spent delivering coaching

Diagram 4: Hourly fee rates: Corporate funded coaching

Q5.6 Fee rates for corporate clients

Greece | Europe (Excl. UK) | UK

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Proportion of coaches (%)
Reflective practice and supervision

**Diagram 5: Methods of reflection**

Q6.1 What methods do you use to reflect on your practice?
(You can select more than one option)

- Co-Mentor
- Mentor
- Self-support
- Formal supervision
- Reading coaching research
- Peer networks
- Reading coaching books
- Self-reflection

**Diagram 6: Frequency of supervision**

(based on ratio of 1 hour of supervision per X hours of coaching)

Q6.4 How often do you receive formal coaching supervision?

- I don't receive supervision
- 1 < 100
- 1: 51–100
- 1: 26–50
- 1 > 26
Continuous professional development

**Diagram 7: Time invested in CPD**

Q7.1 How do you divide your working time?

- More than 60 hours
- 31–60 hours
- 16–30 hours
- 6–15 hours
- Less than 5 hours

**Diagram 8: Keeping up to date**

Q7.2 How do you keep up to date in your coaching practice? (You can select more than one)

- Attending a formal university program
- Attending additional formal coaching training qualifications
- Attending a peer coaching group
- Participating in coaching webinars
- Attending professional networking events
- Attending short courses in coaching skills
- Attending coaching conferences
- Reading coaching research
- Reading coaching books
Conceptual models

Diagram 9: Coaching practice
Q9.2 Which models do you use in your coaching practice?
(You can select more than one)
Diversity of approaches

Diagram 10: Presenting issue 1 – Career change
Q9.3 What model do you use with the following presenting issue?

Diagram 11: Presenting issue 2 – Workplace stress
Q. What model do you use with the following presenting issue?
Diagram 12: Presenting issue 3 – Improving presentation skills

Q. What model do you use with the following presenting issue?

Diagram 13: Presenting issue 4 – Persistent checking of non-work emails

Q. What model do you use with the following presenting issue?
Evaluation

Diagram 14: Evaluating impact
Q10.1 How do you evaluate the impact of your coaching?

- When asked by the organisational client
- Periodically, on a random sample of individual clients
- Formally – evaluation form at end of every meeting
- Informally, at end of every meeting
- Formally – evaluation form at end of every coaching assignment/contract
- Informally, at end of every coaching assignment/contract
- I have not formally evaluated my work in the past twelve months
- Other

Diagram 15: Gathering feedback
Q10.2 Who do you gather evaluation feedback from in your coaching?

- The individual client
- The individual client and the line manager
- The individual client and the commissioning manager
- The individual client, commissioning manager and line manager
- Yourself (self reflection feedback)
- I do not gather feedback
- Other
Diagram 16: Contract partners
Q11.1 When you enter into a coaching agreement, who do you contract with most frequently?

Diagram 17: The primary partners
Q11.2 Who do you believe is the primary client when you are delivering corporate/organisational coaching?
Diagram 18: Contract clauses – Individual client agreements

Q11.3 What aspects are explicitly included in your contract with the individual? (You can select as many as appropriate)

Diagram 19: Contract clauses – Organisational client agreements

Q11.4 What aspects are explicitly included in your contract with the organisation? (You can select as many as are appropriate)
Coaching ethics

Diagram 20: Sharing ethical codes – 1
Q12.1 Do you share your ethical codes with individual clients?

Diagram 21: Sharing ethical codes – 2
Q12.2 How do you share the ethical code with individual clients?
Diagram 22: Ethical dilemma 1 – Coach pays a fee to secure contract
Q13.1.1 What do you think should happen in the following scenario?
A coach pays a fee to an individual to gain a coaching contract with an organisation

Diagram 23: Ethical dilemma 2 – Coach enters sexual relationship with client
Q13.1.2 What do you think should happen in the following scenario?
A coach enters into a sexual relationship with a client during a coaching assignment
Diagram 24: Ethical dilemma 3 – Coach fails to report low-level drug taking by their client

Q13.1.4 What do you think should happen in the following scenario?
A coach fails to report to the appropriate authorities a client who is using low-level illegal drugs.

- Nothing: Greece 60%, Europe (Excl. UK) 54%, UK 46%
- Issue a warning by their professional body: Greece 20%, Europe (Excl. UK) 24%, UK 30%
- Be removed from their professional register for 1 year: Greece 5%, Europe (Excl. UK) 10%, UK 5%
- Be removed from their professional register permanently: Greece 10%, Europe (Excl. UK) 5%, UK 0%
- Be reported to the police: Greece 5%, Europe (Excl. UK) 5%, UK 0%

Diagram 25: Ethical dilemma 4 – Coach fails to report theft of commercial information

Q13.1.5 What do you think should happen in the following scenario?
A coach fails to report the actions of a client who has disclosed commercially sensitive information, which has affected the value of the company.

- Nothing: Greece 50%, Europe (Excl. UK) 60%, UK 70%
- Issue a warning by their professional body: Greece 10%, Europe (Excl. UK) 10%, UK 10%
- Be removed from their professional register for 1 year: Greece 10%, Europe (Excl. UK) 5%, UK 0%
- Be removed from their professional register permanently: Greece 5%, Europe (Excl. UK) 5%, UK 0%
- Be reported to the police: Greece 0%, Europe (Excl. UK) 0%, UK 0%
Diagram 26: Criteria in coach selection

Q16.1 When commissioning coaching, what are the most important factors (in order of importance)?

- Experience of the individual coach
- Professional qualifications
- Experience of the provider organisation
- Price
- Member of a professional body

Distribution of criteria across Greece, Europe, and UK.
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