

President of Administrative Committee

Olafia (Loa) Palmarsdottir

Loa has been leading the ESTIA Agios Nikolaos office since 2013, and since 2014 she was elected President of the Administrative Committee. During her tenure, Loa coordinated several of the vital building blocks that have allowed ESTIA to flourish.

A few among them: upgrading and streamlining resident application processes, managing the ever more complicated volunteer recruitment through different European sending agencies; obtaining the SYD license for two of the houses that will permit different future operations and funding; obtaining approval for the Day Centre and obtaining its funding from the European Investment Fund, leading the effort since 2016 to professionalize the internal processes with the support of External Auditors, and coordinating the ISO certification.

More importantly, Loa, through her accepting personality, her even-mindedness and her hard work has contributed greatly in melding together the Administrative Committee and the ESTIA caregiver and office team, and in attracting the support of the local authorities.

Prior to joining ESTIA Agios Nikolaos, Loa had worked for several years as an office employee in different companies and as freelance designer. Her studies in Iceland, her home country, were in Business Administration and she got an Art and Interior design degree from the Vakalo School in Athens.

