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Forensic Association, in cooperation with the Polish Forensic Association. The main theme of this internship was the issue of expert opinion evidence, focusing on the scientific and evidential value of forensic expertise in criminal, civil, and administrative proceedings. In 2020, I completed an additional research internship at the Polish Forensic Association, aiming to expand the knowledge gained during my previous internship. This experience included participation in research and development activities, scientific research, drafting research and development project proposals, consulting on a forensic trace analysis program, gathering materials for scholarly work, and acquiring broader knowledge and practical skills in conducting research within the fields of law and forensic science. For many years, I have also been an active participant in the Erasmus+ program, through which I have conducted lectures at the following institutions: University of Cyprus, CY Nicosia (2013); Universidad Católica de Valencia e Valencia (2017); Università degli Studi Roma Tre (2018); Universidade de Lisboa (2019); Università Degli Studi di Bari Aldo Moro (2022).