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STUDIES

1981: Degree in History, University of Crete, Faculty of Philosophy, Department of History and Archaeology.

1982-1984: Seminars on the electronic process of the Byzantine texts at the Institute for Byzantine Research.

1984-1986: Post-graduated Seminars on Byzantine History, Philology, Law and Art at the University of Athens.

1984-1990: Seminars on Byzantine History and Philology at the Institute for Byzantine Research.

1992: PhD of University of Athens, Faculty of Philosophy, Department of History. Director of studies and supervisor Nicolas Oikonomides.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

- 1981-1994 Research collaborator at the Institute for Byzantine Research. Research Project "Byzantine History Data Bank".
- 1994-1998 Research Lecturer at the Institute for Byzantine Research. Research Project 1: "Byzantine History Data Bank". Research Project 2: Realia Technologica. Know-how in Byzantium".
- 1998-2001 Assistant Researcher at the Institute for Byzantine Research. Research Program "Byzantine Cyclades". Collaboration with the 2nd Ephorate of Byzantine Antiquities (2001-2004)
- 2002-2013: Senior Researcher at the Institute for Byzantine Research. Research Project 1: "Hagiography of the Late Byzantine Period 1204-1453" Research Project 2: "Female Monasticism in the Late Byzantine Period (1204-1453)" implemented by Dr Ekaterini Mitsiou (2012-2015)
- 2014- Research Director at the Institute for Byzantine Research. Research Project 1: "Hagiography of the Late Byzantine Period 1204-1453" (the project constitutes a section of the Research Area: The Byzantine Empire: Institutions, Society, Economy)

Research Project 2: Translating the 'Father of Translation'. Linguistic and Cultural Transfers in Byzantium" (Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships TRANSFA, H2020-MSCA-IF-2019/Grant Agreement No 892782) implemented by Dr Anna Lampadaridi (2021)

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- History of the Middle and Late Byzantine Period with more emphasis on the subject of relations of State and Church (7th-9th c., 13th-15th c.)
- Hagiography of the Middle and Late Byzantine Period: Ideological and societal aspects of Monasticism.
- Topography of Asia Minor
- Linguistic Contacts of East and West in the Late Byzantine Period

RESEARCH AND OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

1 monograph, 1 book in collaboration, scientific and editorial editing of 6 volumes, articles in international and Greek refereed scientific journals, papers in conference proceedings, chapters in collective volumes and extensive entries in dictionaries and encyclopedias

- Participation in International Conferences and Workshops in Greece and abroad.
- Creation of the unique Database entitled "Hagiography of the Late Byzantine Period (1204-1453)" <http://byzhadb.eie.gr>
- Coordination and training of postgraduate students for the Project "Hagiography of the Late Byzantine Period (1204-1453)"
- Train students during their internship
- Post graduate teaching at the University of Athens, at the University of Thessaloniki, University of Patras
- Supervisor of the European Project "Female Monasticism in the Late Byzantine Period (1204-1453)"- SH6- implemented by Dr Ekaterini Mitsiou (2012-2015)
- Organisation of the International Workshop "Women and monasticism in the medieval Eastern Mediterranean: Decoding a cultural map" (National Hellenic Research Foundation, Athens, 7-9.11.2014)
- Collaboration with the Cultural and Educational Program Abroad, Germany and Arizona State University, USA in the context of student education on the subject: "Conflict and Identity in Europe". Presentation & Discussion on "Aspects on Identity in the Late Byzantine period (13th-14th centuries)" (2019)

- Co-organization with Dr. Ourania Polykandrioti the Cycle of educational events at the NHRF on: "Ideas of the Enlightenment before the Enlightenment" (7-28 May 2019)
- Supervisor of the European Project "Translating the 'Father of Translation'. Linguistic and Cultural Transfers in Byzantium" (Skłodowska-Curie Individual Fellowships TRANSFA, H2020-MSCA-IF-2019/Grant Agreement No 892782) (2021) implemented by Dr Anna Lampadaridi
- Co-organization with Dr Anna Lampadaridi of the "Colloque international à l'occasion des 80 ans des Sources Chrétiennes" under the title "Sources et méandres des lettres grecques: textes, manuscrits et éditions de l'époque patristique et byzantine" (September 2022)
- Participation in the "Byzantine Studies Lectures" (NHRF/IBR) with a paper entitled *The English monks on Greek and Latin and on the Church Union debates (First half of the thirteenth century)* (spring 2023)

MAIN PUBLICATIONS

- A Light in the Darkness: Monastery Lighthouses in the Aegean Sea and Surrounding Coastal Regions, in: *Seasides of Byzantium. Harbours and Anchorages of a Mediterranean Empire* [Byzanz zwischen Orient und Okzident Vol. 21], Mainz 2022 ed. F. DAIM ET AL., Mainz 2021, 131-142.
- Ο Μανουήλ Ολόβωλος και η *Λατίνων φωνή*: Διανόηση και Πολιτική, in: *Byzantine Authors and their Times*, ed. V. VLYSSIDOU, [NHRF/IHR, Research Series 8], Athens 2021, 371-395.
- Rewriting on Martyrs of Iconoclasm during the Palaiologan Period, in: *Les nouveaux martyrs à Byzance II. Études sur les nouveaux martyrs*, réunies par A. BINGGELI et S. MÉTIVIER [Byzantina Sorbonensia 31], Paris 2021, 285-304
- Patronage in the Transitional Period of Iconoclasm (717-775), in: *Transforming Sacred Spaces. New Approaches to Byzantine Ecclesiastical Architecture from the Transitional Period*, [Spätantike-frühes Christentum-Byzanz: Studien und Perspektiven 48], ed. S. FEIST, Wiesbaden 2020, pp. 39-76.
- Ideological Conflicts in Veiled Language as seen by the Palaiologan Hagiographers: The Lives of St. Theodosia as a Case Study, in: *Byzantine Hagiography: Texts, Themes and Projects* [Byzantios. Studies in Byzantine History and Civilization 13], ed. A. RIGO, M. TRIZIO, E. DESPOTAKIS, Turnhout 2018, 401-418.
- Crete and the Formation of the Isaurian Naval Administrative Network, *Graeco-Arabica* 12 (2017), 97-128.
- Decoding Byzantine Churches on Naxos in the Early Palaiologan Period: Motivations and Inevitable Necessities, in: "*Pour une poétique de Byzance*". *Hommage a Vassilis Katsaros* [Dossiers Byzantins 16], Paris 2015, 141-163.
- Economy and Society in Byzantine Hagiography: Realia and Methodological Questions. Aspects of Economic Life in Late Byzantium, in: *The Ashgate Research Companion to Byzantine Hagiography*, Volume II: *Genres and Contexts*, ed. by ST. EFTHYMIADIS, Farnham- Burlington 2014, 401-418.

- Ο Μέγας Κωνσταντίνος στο αγιολογικό έργο του Κωνσταντίνου Ακροπολίτη: Ιδεολογικές επαναλήψεις και νέες προσεγγίσεις, in: *Aureus. Volume dedicated to professor E. K. Chrysos*, Athens 2014, 417-441.
- Πρότυπα αρχαίων νομοθετών κατά τις επιστολές του Νικηφόρου Γρηγορά: Δίκαιο και πολιτική πρακτική, in: *Essays in honour of S. N. Troianos' 80th birthday*, Athens 2013, 679-704.
- Arabia, Egypt and Syria in byzantine hagiographical works at the time of Late Byzantine and Ayyūbid period, in: *Proceedings of the International Symposium on the Historical Relations between Arabia, the Greek and Byzantine World*, Riyadh 2012, 347-359.
- Ο Άνθιμος Αθηνών, Πρόεδρος Κρήτης, και οι αντιθετικές τάσεις ορθόδοξης συσπείρωσης και διάσπασης στην ύστερη βυζαντινή εποχή. Μια προσέγγιση μέσω των αγιολογικών κειμένων, in: *Θησαυρίσματα*, 41/42 (2011/2012), 341-359 (in collaboration with N. ΚΟΥΤΡΑΚΟΥ)
- Locals vs "foreigners": criteria for the formation of local identities in Late Byzantium. An approach to Modern Graecitas through Late Byzantine writers, in: *Identities in the Greek World (from 1204 to the present day)*, Athens 2011, 107-125 (in collaboration with N. ΚΟΥΤΡΑΚΟΥ)
- Legend and Reality: the Case of Oikoumenikos Didaskalos in the Early Palaiologan Period, in: *Hypermachos. Festschrift für Werner Seibt zum 65. Geburtstag*, ed. C. STAVRAKOS, A.-K. WASSILIOU, M.K. KRIKORIAN, Wiesbaden 2008, 173-186.
- Constantine V Kopronymos or Michael VIII Paleologos the New Constantine? The Anonymous Encomium of Saint Theodosia, *Symmeikta* 15 (2002), 183-194.
- The origins of the Genesios family and its connections with the region of the Armeniacon theme, *Byzantinische Zeitschrift* 93/2 (2000), 464-473
- *Byzantine clergy and society in the "Dark Ages"* [Monographs 3], Athens 1996 (in Greek).