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#### **STUDIES**

- 1971 Diploma, Experimental Elementary School of the University of Thessaloniki
- 1977 High School Diploma, "Anatolia" American College of Thessaloniki
- 1982 BA in Classics/Classical Archaeology, Harvard-Radcliffe Colleges, Harvard University
- 1984 MA in Near Eastern Studies, University of California at Berkeley
- 1991 PhD in Near Eastern Studies, University of California at Berkeley Dissertation: "Evagoras I, Athens and Persia: ca. 412 to 387/6 B.C."

#### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY**

- 1991-1992, 1993-1994, 1995 Postdoctoral Research Associate, Department of Near Eastern Studies, University of California at Berkeley
- 1993-1994 Senior Research Fellow of the National Endowment for the Humanities at the Cyprus American Archaeological Research Institute, Nicosia
- 1995-1997 Maître de conférences associée à temps plein (1ère classe, 6ème échelon) and Chercheur, Institut d'Archéologie et d'Histoire de l'Antiquité, Université Lyon-2, and Institut Fernand Courby Maison de l'Orient méditerranéen, Lyon
- 1999-2001 Part-time Instructor (level of Assistant Professor), Department of History Archaeology Social Anthropology, University of Thessaly
- 1996 present Researcher (Director of Research since June 2014), Section of Greek and Roman Antiquity (formerly KERA), Institute of Historical Research, National Hellenic Research Foundation Coordinator (since 2013), "The Hellenic World and the East" Program of the antiquity section of the Institute

#### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Issues of historiography, archaeology, topography, epigraphy, numismatics Special areas of study

- Cultural interconnections of the Greek world with the Near East
- Ancient Cyprus
- Achaemenid empire

#### **RESEARCH AND OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES**

## **Recent Projects**

- Scientific Coordinator, "Mapping Ancient Cultural Encounters: Greeks in Iran ca. 550 BC - ca. AD 650" (2011 - present). Partly supported, 2013-2015, by a national KREPIS grant. Under the auspices of the Hellenic National Commission for UNESCO
  - [http://iranohellenica.eie.gr/]
- Co-PI (with M. Feldman, Johns Hopkins University), "Material Entanglements in the Ancient Mediterranean and Beyond", 2017 - 2020. Funded as part of the Connecting Art Histories initiative of the J. Paul Getty Foundation
- Participation, as residential scholar, in the Getty Research Institute Scholars
   Program 2018/2019 "The Classical World in Context: Persia", April to June 2019
- Member of the research team and management committee, "People in Motion: Entangled Histories of Displacement across the Mediterranean (1492-1923)", 2019 - 2023. COST Action 18140 [http://www.peopleinmotion-costaction.org/]

## **Organization of Scientific Events (selection)**

- Co-coordinator (with M. Feldman, Johns Hopkins University), international research workshops "Material Entanglements in the Ancient Mediterranean and Beyond". First workshop: Athens & Northern Greece, October 1-10, 2018; second workshop: Crete, September 28 - October 3, 2019
- Co-coordinator of the monthly research seminars of KERA and, subsequently, the antiquity section of IHR/HNRF, 2009-2017
- Co-coordinator (with S.M.R. Darbandi, Cultural Center of the Embassy of the I.R. Iran, Athens), 1st International Conference "Ancient Greece and Ancient Iran: Cross-Cultural Encounters", Athens, 11-15 November 2006. Under the auspices of the Hellenic National Commission for UNESCO [http://www.eie.gr/greece-iran-conference/]

#### Other academic activities

- University teaching, practical training of students and supervision of theses
- Member of the editorial committee of the monograph series MEAETHMATA
- Scientist-in-charge, on the behalf of NHRF, for the Memorandum for Scientific Collaboration with the Iranian Cultural Heritage, Handcraft and Tourism Organization, 2008 - present

#### SCHOLARSHIPS - FELLOWSHIPS - DISTINCTIONS

- 1977-1980, 1981-1982 Full scholarship for undergraduate studies, Harvard University 1979 George Emerson Lowell prize for excellence in the Classics, Department of the Classics, Harvard University
- 1983-1984 Grace Wiltshire Drake fellowship, Graduate Division, University of California at Berkeley
- 1984-1985 C. and Helen N. Pardee fellowship, Graduate Division, University of California at Berkeley
- 1987-1988 Traveling fellowship for doctoral research in Cyprus, University of California Board of Regents
- 1987-1988 Dissertation research fellowship, American Institute of Iranian Studies
- 1993-1994 National Endowment for the Humanities senior fellowship at the Cyprus American Archaeological Research Institute, Nicosia
- 2010 World Prize for the Book of the Year of the Islamic Republic of Iran, Iranian Ministry of Culture. For S.M.R. Darbandi and A. Zournatzi (eds.), *Ancient Greece and Ancient Iran: Cross-Cultural Encounters. 1st International Conference* (Athens 2008)
- 2019 Getty Scholar, J. Paul Getty Villa, Getty Research Institute program 2018/2019
  "The Classical World in Context: Persia" (three months, April to June 2019)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

#### **Books**

- Ἐπιγραφὲς τῆς Θράκης τοῦ Aiγaiou Μεταξὺ τῶν Ποταμῶν Νέστου καὶ Ἑβρου (Νομοὶ Ξάνθης, Ροδόπης καὶ Ἑβρου) Inscriptiones antiquae partis Thraciae quae ad ora maris Aegaei sita est (praefecturae Xanthes, Rhodopes et Hebri)
   (Athens 2005) [in Greek] [with L. Loukopoulou, M.-G. Parissaki, S. Psoma et al.]
- Persian Rule in Cyprus: Sources, Problems, Perspectives (MEAETHMATA 44)
   (Athens 2005)
- (Editor) Ancient Greece and Ancient Iran: Cross-Cultural Encounters. 1st International Conference (Athens 2008) [with S.M.R. Darbandi]

## Online open access publication of ongoing research project

 Mapping Ancient Cultural Encounters: Greeks in Iran ca. 550 BC – ca. AD 650 (preliminary results posted 2016), available at http://iranohellenica.eie.gr/

#### **Selected articles**

"Smoke and mirrors: Persia's Aegean policy and the outbreak of the 'Cypriot War'", in S. Rogge, C. Ioannou and T. Mavrojannis (eds.), Salamis of Cyprus.

- History and Archaeology from the Earliest Times to Late Antiquity (Schriften des Instituts für Interdisziplinäre Zypern-Studien 13) (Münster 2019) 313-326
- "Cyrus the Great as a 'king of the city of Anshan", Τεκμήρια 14 (2017-2018) 149-180
- "Les inscriptions sur pierres", in P. Tsatsopoulou-Kaloudi et al., Αρχαία Ζώνη Ι. Το Ιερό του Απόλλωνα [Âncient Zoni I. The Sanctuary of Apollo] (Komotini 2017) 251-281/352-384 [French/Greek text], 425-431 [summary and bibliography] [with C. Brixhe]
- "The Vouni Treasure and monetary practices in Cyprus in the Persian period", in K. Liampi, C. Papaevangelou-Genakos and D. Plantzos (eds.), Coinage / Jewellery. Uses – Interactions – Symbolisms, from Antiquity to the Present (KERMA IV) (Athens 2017) 159-178
- "The Median logos of Herodotus and the Persians' legitimate rule of Asia", Iranica Antiqua 48 (2013) 221-252
- "The Apadana coin hoards, Darius I, and the West", *American Journal of Numismatics* 15 (2003) 1-28
- "The processing of gold and silver tax in the Achaemenid empire: Herodotus 3.96.2 and the archaeological realities", *Studia Iranica* 29 (2000) 141-171