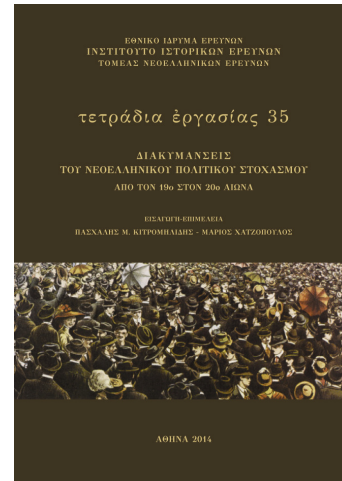




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Ripples of Modern Greek Political Thinking: From the 19th to the 20th Century [in Greek]

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This book seeks to throw new light on political thinking in Greece from the 1860s up to the 1930s. It is a field of Modern Greek studies that has been poorly studied by modern scholarship. In contrast to the years preceding the Greek war of Independence, i.e. the period of the Neo-Hellenic Enlightenment, as well as the first crucial decades of state-building in independent Greece, Greek political ideas during the latter decades of the 19th and the first decades of the 20th century have not yet received the scholarly attention they deserve. The volume makes an attempt at filling that gap by bringing together contributions by Greek experts of diverse research background and focus. Marios Hatzopoulos traces the role of a Byzantine tradition of prophecy and myth in Greek dynastic legitimation. Giorgos Kokkinos studies the politico-ideological function of a set of ultra-nationalist and anti-liberal ideas enjoying a vogue on the political scene of Europe and Greece in the closing decades of the 19th century. Markos Karasarinis focuses on the acquaintance of Greek political thinkers with the ideas and concepts of social Darwinism. Pericles Vallianos directs his focus to the blossoming of political idealism in Greece after the 1922 catastrophe. Vassilis A. Bogiatzis focuses on the two-front struggle of interwar Greek idealism against rightist liberalism and leftist materialism. Stavroula Moschoviti highlights a daring Greek approach to the Macedonian Question in the 1930s that highlighted the liquid local identities vis-à-vis the competing state nationalisms in the area. Finally, Michalis Psalidopoulos sheds light on the influence of the German state interventionist school on Greek economic, political and legal thought which seems to be still with us today.