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#### **STUDIES**

2001 BA, Department of History and Archaeology, University of Crete 2007 MA, Department of History and Archaeology, University of Crete 2016 PHD, Department of History and Archaeology, University of Crete

# **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY**

2016-2019 Postdoctoral researcher, Leibniz-Forschungsinstitut für Archäologie (ex-RGZM), Mainz

2019-2024 Postdoctoral researcher, Institute for Mediterranean Studies, Foundation for Research and Technology, Hellas

2025-today Associate Researcher, Institute for Historical Research, National Hellenic Research Foundation

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

- Byzantine Archaeology
- Historical Geography
- Landscape Archaeology
- Late Antique and Byzantine Epigraphy
- Evolution of Late Antique and Byzantine Urbanism
- Material Culture of the Migrations Period
- History of Byzantine Archaeology

#### RESEARCH AND OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

- Senior member of Amorium Excavations Project
- Senior member of ancient Messene Excavation and Restoration Project
- Principal investigator of "Byzantine Agricultural Landscape Across the Aegean' (BALAA)" project funded by ELIDEK
- Christian topography of the Western Peloponnese for the Early Christianity in Greece Brill series
- Christian inscriptions of Messene to be included in the newest edition of Inscriptiones Graecae
- Excavation at the 'Large Building' in Amorium
- Excavation at the Asklepieion basilica in Messene
- Excavation of the Domus Ecclesiae in Messene

#### **MAIN PUBLICATIONS**

- Urban Transformation, Christianization and Ruralization in Late Antique Peloponnese: Byzantine Messene from Antiquity to the Middle Ages (300-1000 AD), Byzanz zwischen Orient und Okzident series, vol. 28, Mainz. [in print]
- "Before the Coming of the Slavs: Architecture and Liturgy in Rural Sixth century Peloponnese", in: M. Hathaway (ed.), Religious Exchange and Identities in Europe: Byzantium, Latin West and the Slavic World, Mainz 2025, 57-71.
- "Wine Production and Consumption at Byzantine Amorium from the 7th to the 9th centuries", Dumbarton Oaks Papers 77 (2023), 131-176 (with T. Sotiriou, O. Karagiorgou and I. Anagnostakis)
- «Manastir-i San Dito: Ο καθεδρικός ναός του Αγίου Τίτου στον Χάνδακα της Κρήτης μέσα από τις οθωμανικές πηγές», in: Τ. Kiousopoulou and V. Foskolou (eds.), Grata Dona. Μελέτες προς τιμήν της Όλγας Γκράτζιου, Herakleion 2023, 521-566 (with E. Kolovos)
- "Christian Inscriptions from a Third and Fourth-Century House Church at Messene (Peloponnese)", Journal of Epigraphical Studies 5 (2022), 175-197.
- "A Lord's Prayer inscription from Amorium and the materiality of Early Byzantine Christian prayer", Anatolian Studies 72 (2022), 195-207.
- "Amorium and the ever-changing urban space: from Early Byzantine provincial city to Middle Byzantine provincial capital", in: N. Kontogiannis and T. Uygar (eds.), Byzantine Anatolia: Space and Communities. 5<sup>th</sup> International Sevgi Gönül Byzantine Studies Symposium, Istanbul 2021, 191-215.
- "Moving beyond the Invisible Cities of Byzantium", European Journal of Post-Classical Archaeologies 10 (2020), 325-334.

- "Messene and the changing urban life and material culture of an Early Byzantine city in the western Peloponnese (4<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> c.)", in: B. Böhlendorf-Arslan and R. Schick (eds.), Transformationen von Stadt und Land in byzantinischer Zeit, Byzanz zwischen Orient und Okzident vol. 22, Mainz 2020, 39-53.
- "Architectural planning and building practices in the basilica of the Theater in Messene", Deltion of the Christian Archaeological Society 39 (2018), 111-124.
- "Considerations on Some Bronze Buckles from Byzantine Messene", in: B. Böhlendorf-Arslan and A. Ricci (eds.), Byzantinische Kleinfunde im Archäologischen Kontext, Byzas 15, Istanbul 2012, 61-80.
- «Πού πάνε οι Πόλεις όταν εξαφανίζονται; Ο Οικισμός της Πρώιμης και Μέσης Βυζαντινής Μεσσήνης», in: Τ. Kiousopoulou (ed.), Οι Βυζαντινές Πόλεις (8°ς-15°ς αι.): Προοπτικές της Έρευνας και Νέες Ερμηνευτικές Προσεγγίσεις, Rethymno 2012, 47-72.