

Dr Michail Theodosiadis - Academic CV

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Academic Profile (short description)

I am a political theorist specialising in leadership, democracy, ethics, and interstate relations. My research examines how political authority, civic participation, and moral legitimacy have been understood across Ancient Greek, Byzantine, Islamic, Medieval, and Modern traditions. My recent research has focused on the development of *political Prometheanism* as a framework for understanding leadership, civic participation, and political agency across different intellectual traditions. This theme is explored in my monograph *Ancient Greek Democracy and American Republicanism: Prometheus in Political Theory*. Alongside my research, I have developed substantial experience in international academic collaboration, curriculum development, and educational diplomacy, setting up partnerships across Europe and the Middle East and contributing to international teaching, consortium-building, and research initiatives.

Education/Degrees/Certificates

Pending: Post-doctoral Certificate, Political Philosophy, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (project period: 2 June 2023 - 2 June 2026).

30 June 2021 – Ph. D (Doctor in Philosophy), Politics and International Relations, Goldsmiths, University of London (United Kingdom) Ph. D (Doctor in Philosophy). Thesis: *Republican Perspectives on Populism and Hope (Beyond*

Christopher Lasch). Thesis DOI: 10.25602/GOLD.00030431. **Supervisor:** Prof. Carl Levy, Department of Politics; co-supervisor: Prof. Saul Newman.

1 November 2013: Master of Science in Social and Political Theory, Birkbeck, University of London (United Kingdom).

5 July 2010: Kingston University, London (United Kingdom), Bachelor of Arts, and Social Sciences with Honours.

Language Skills

Native language: Modern Greek

Other language skills: English (advanced level), Italian (intermediate level), Ancient Greek (reading level)

Research output

Monographs

2025. *Ancient Greek Democracy and American Republicanism: Prometheus in Political Theory*. **Edinburgh: Edinburgh University Press**. ISBN: 1399537296, 9781399537292.

Available in the following catalogues:

Oxford Academic (DOI: 10.3366/edinburgh/9781399537292.001.0001). Following a selective editorial review process by EUP, the monograph was chosen for inclusion in this prestigious platform.

De Gruyter Brill (DOI: 10.1515/9781399537315)

JSTOR (Reference number: 10.3366)

Reviewed by: **(1)** Vavouras Elias (2025); **(2)** Asimiadis Dionysis (2026)

Journal Entries

- **2025.** *Chreos* and *philotēs* in Homeric Ethics. *Conatus – A Journal of Philosophy*. 10(2), 269–304. DOI: 10.12681/cjp.41304 (**Open Access**) (Scopus Q1).

- **2025.** The Flame and the Lyre: Promethean Echoes in Homeric Epic. *Cogito – Multidisciplinary Research Journal*. (**Open Access**) (Scopus Q2).

- **2024** (With Vavouras, Elias). The Pursuit of Cosmic Wisdom and ‘Promethean’ Leadership in the Pythagorean and Al-Fārābīan Political Philosophy. In *Religions*,

15(10). DOI: 10.3390/rel15101280 (**Open Access**) (Scopus Q1). Contribution after official invitation from the journal editors.

- **2024** (With Vavouras, Elias) 2024. The Concept of Religion in Machiavelli: Political Methodology, Propaganda, and Ideological Enlightenment. In *Religions*, 15(10). DOI: 10.3390/rel15101203 (**Open Access**) (Scopus Q1). Contribution after official invitation from the journal editors.

- **2024**. Human Potential and Meritorious Leadership in Anna Komnene, Giovanni Boccaccio, and Niccolò Machiavelli. In «*Haume mope*» *Mare Nostrum*, ISSN 2658–5502, ISBN 978-5-94067-561-7. Published by: The Russian Society for Intellectual History and affiliated academic institutions (**Open Access**).

- **2023** (With Vavouras, Elias). Religion as a means of conformity and obedience; from Critias to Thomas Hobbes. In *Religions Journal*. 14 (issue 9). DOI: doi.org/10.3390/rel14091180 (**Open Access**) (Scopus Q1). Contribution after official invitation from the journal editors.

- **2023**. «Ανάγκη για ρίζες». Η Σιμόν Βέλ και η Μέση Ανατολή ως υπόθεση εργασίας (in Greek); the title in English: 'The Need for Roots': Simone Weil and the Middle East as a Case Study. In *Φιλοσοφείν (Philosophhein)*. 28, pp.315-323 (**Open Access**).

- **2023**. Self-Purification and Social Dramatization: From Simone Weil to Martin Luther King Jr. In *Religions*, 14(4). DOI: 10.3390/rel14040541 (**Open Access**) (Scopus Q1).

- **2022**. The Byzantine Cosmopolis Beyond Western Liberalism. In *Dia-noesis: A Journal for Philosophy*, 13, pp. 33-62. DOI: 10.3390/rel14040541 (**Open Access**) (Scopus Q2).

- **2022**. The profound Anthropocentric Mindset of Popular *Eucosmia* and Freedom as a form of *katharsis* («Η βαθειὰ ἀνθρωποκεντρικότητα τῆς λαϊκῆς εὐκοσμίας καὶ ἡ ἐλευθερία ὡς κάθαρση»). In *Theologia Journal*, A (1), pp. 133-163. Published by the Communication and Education Services of the Holy Synod of the Church of Greece, ISSN: 1105-154X (**Open Access**).

- **2021**. From Hobbes and Locke to Machiavelli's virtù in the political context of meliorism. In *Polis Revista*, 9, pp.25-60 (**Open Access**).

- 2017 (With Siapera, Eugenia). (Digital) Activism at the Interstices: Anarchist and Self-Organizing Movements in Greece. In *TripleC: Communication, Capitalism Critique*. Open Access Journal for a Global Sustainable Information Society, Vole 15., pp.505–523. DOI: 10.31269/TRIPLEC.V15I2.768 (**Open Access**) (Scopus Q2/Q3).

Under review and scheduled research

- **Under review:** Neorealism and Beyond: Rethinking Interstate Relations through the Lens of Democritus. In Vavouras, Elias (ed.), *Brill's Companion to Democritus*, Brill. Submitted: **April 2026**.

- **Under review:** From the Laughing Philosopher to Modern Tragic Irony: Giacomo Leopardi and the Democritean Legacy In Vavouras, Elias, and Piergiacomi, Enrico (eds.), *Brill's Companion to the Reception of Democritus*, Brill. Submitted: **June 2026**.

Volume currently under review by Edinburgh University Press (submitted for review: June 2026)

Title: Ethical Leadership in Political Theory: Moral Legitimacy and Authority in Comparative Perspective. Co-edited with Associate Professor Eva Anagnostou-Laoudites (Macquarie University).

The volume brings together contributions from internationally established scholars, including Professor Rasoul Namazi (Associate Professor, Duke Kunshan University), Professor Lee Ward (Baylor University), Professor Natascia Mattucci (Full Professor and Pro-Rector at the University of Macerata), Professor Victoria Rowe Holbrook (Senior Research Associate at Orient Institute Istanbul). This reflects recognition of my editorial coordination and academic leadership skills at this career stage.

Chapter contribution: (1) *Introduction* (co-authored with Eva Anagnostou-Laoudites); (2) *The Promethean 'philosopher king': Deliberative Platonism and the pursuit of ethical leadership* (single-authored chapter).

Volume currently in schedule with Palgrave MacMillan

Title: The Just War Tradition in Ancient Greece, Byzantium, and Medieval Italy.

Current status: Recruitment of contributors. The volume includes contributions from distinguished international scholars.

Planned Chapter contribution: (1) *Introduction*; (2) A single-authored chapter (under construction) on Dante's and al-Farabi's view of war and cosmopolitanism; (3) A single-authored chapter (under construction) on Democritus and Giacomo Leopardi on war and conflict.

Conferences

- **2 May 2026.** *Christian Orthodox perspectives on Just War theory.* Eighth Colloquia Cererea International Conference, Venue: Cereneum Centre. The University of Lodz, Poland.

- **13 October 2024.** *Reconciling Wisdom and Power: Possibilities, Challenges, and Strategies for Virtuous Leadership* (Participation after invitation from the Dean of the School of Social Sciences of the American University of Iraq in Slemani). Strategic Leadership and Innovation Forum. International Conference. Venue: The American University of Iraq in Slemani (AUIS), Sulaymaniyah, Iraq.

- **12 March 2024.** *Orthodox Christianity and Religious Tolerance in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq* (Participation after invitation). Fourth International Conference on Religious Diplomacy. Organised by The Foreign Policy Journal, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (Department of Theology), Orthodoxtimes.gr, and the Institute of Foreign Affairs (Greece), under the auspices of the Ecumenical Patriarchate of New Rome in Constantinople. Venue: Hellenic Armed Forces Club, Athens.

- **13 May 2023.** *Early Byzantine Political Thought and the Contemporary Global Political Project.* Fifth Colloquia Cererea International Conference, Venue: Cereneum Centre. The University of Lodz, Poland.

- **15 April 2022** *Ολύμπια Θρησκεία και Χριστιανισμός στη Βυζαντινή εξωτερική πολιτική και διπλωματία* [Olympian Religion and Christianity in Byzantine Foreign Policy and Diplomacy]. In "Επιαναπροσδιορίζοντας τα Επιτεύγματα του Διαχρονικού Ελληνισμού" [Revisiting the Achievements of Hellenism through time]. National Conference: Venue: The Ecumenical Association of the Greeks of Constantinople (Athens).

- **14 April 2022.** *The Triumph of Liberty, the Loss of Freedom: Democracy and Republicanism Beyond Liberalism. Authoritarianism in the Eurasian Context.* Venue: The National and Kapodistrian University of Greece (NKUA), Department of Philosophy, Athens, Greece. Co-organised by the Early Modern Greek Culture Programme of the Medici Archive Project, Florence, Italy. International Conference. Venue: Kostis Palamas Building, NKUA (Athens).
- **12 April 2022.** *Οι Βυζαντινοί και μετα-Βυζαντινοί λόγιοι και η Ανθρωποκεντρική Διάσταση της Ιταλικής Αναγέννησης* [Byzantine and post-Byzantine scholars and the anthropocentric foundations of the Italian Renaissance], In *Η συμβολή των βυζαντινών και μεταβυζαντινών λογίων στη διάδοση της αρχαίας ελληνικής γραμματείας στην Ιταλία και οι απαρχές της Αναγέννησης* [The Contribution of Byzantine and post-Byzantine scholars in Italy and the origins of the Renaissance]. National Conference. Venue: B&M Theocharakis Foundation for the Fine Arts and Music (Athens), under the auspices of the General Secretary of the Greek Diaspora of the Greek Foreign Affairs.
- **4 December 2021.** *Common Semiotics in Homer and Dante* (Participation after invitation). Fourth International Conference on Epistemology. Funded by the Association of Ancient Greek Philosophy 'Syn Athena', in collaboration with the Laboratory of Semiotics of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece. International Conference (held online due to COVID-19 restrictions). Additional role: member of the selection committee (reviewing abstracts and submitted material).
- **25 April 2019.** *Does Tradition Deserve to Survive? Uprootedness and the Causes of Interstate War. Between Myth & Memory.* International Conference. University of Surrey, London, United Kingdom.
- **9 April 2018.** *The Politics of Common Decency and the Dignity of Nations. Overcoming the Contemporary Impasse.* International Conference. Goldsmiths, University of London, United Kingdom. Additional role: member of the selection committee (reviewing abstracts and submitted material).
- **2 April 2017.** *Political identities in the European south,* in the Political Studies Association conference. International Conference. Venue: University of Glasgow

(United Kingdom). 2 April 2017. (Received travel grant by the Graduate School of Goldsmiths, University of London).

Significant Invited International Lectures:

Seminars (in Greek) at the University of Western Macedonia, Kozani (Greece): (1)

On leadership and ethics. 10 February 2026; (2) *On Machiavelli and realism. 4*

November 2025; (3) *On Hobbes and Human Nature. 21 October 2025;* (4) *On*

Thucydides and Human Nature. 10 November 2023; (5) *Byzantine Cosmopolitanism and its Contemporary Relevance; rethinking the Role of the modern nation-state in the contemporary Global Context. 10 November 2022.*

Monograph Presentation: *Ancient Greek Democracy and American Republicanism: Prometheus in Political Theory*, Hellenic Open University, Patras, Greece (November 2025).

Public Seminar: *The Promethean Philosopher King and the Pursuit of Ethical Leadership*, Koç University, Istanbul, Türkiye. **December 2024.**

Invited Forum Speaker: *Reconciling Wisdom and Power: Possibilities, Challenges, and Strategies for Virtuous Leadership*, Strategic Leadership and Innovation Forum, American University of Iraq in Slemani (AUIS), Iraq. **October 2024.**

Virtual Training Seminar: *Civic Inclusion and Civic Engagement for Public Diplomacy*, organized by The Centre for Social Innovations: Blink 42-21 in collaboration with the U.S. Embassy in Skopje and DCN Global. **March 2022.**

Research Positions

June 2023 – June 2026. National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece (NKUA) - (Department of Philosophy), Post-doctoral researcher.

Supervisor: Professor Georgios Steiris (Chair of the Department of Philosophy).

Research topic: A philosophical exploration of Homeric epics

Main Duties: Upon completion of the tenure, four articles on the research topic will have to be published or submitted to journals for review. Certificate award of completion of the 3-year project by June 2026 (cf. *Education/Degrees/Certificates* Section). After the completion I will be transitioned to become an **Advisory**

Member of the Applied Philosophy Research Laboratory of the Department of Philosophy.

Funding and Mobility: All research-related expenditures, field travel, and administrative costs are fully funded by NKUA. Furthermore, this institutional affiliation strategically serves as my primary hosting platform, allowing me to pursue and secure international visiting roles while representing the university abroad.

Academic Positions (Teaching and Mentoring)

April – May 2026: University of Macerata - UniMC (Italy), Scuola di Studi Superiori Giacomo Leopardi: Visiting Professor (competitive funded scheme).

Main Duties: (1) working with Professor Roberto Lambertini to carry out teaching activities and ensure availability to actively interact with students; (2) to deliver lectures on just war theory in Ancient Greece, Byzantium, and Medieval Italy; (3) to build bridges and expand academic collaboration between NKUA and the University of Macerata through joint research initiatives, consortium-building, and the development of future teaching and research partnerships.

Deliverables: (1) 24 /4/ 2026; a two-hour lecture on ‘just war’ theory in Latin, Byzantine, and Islamic traditions; (2) 6/5/2026; a two-hour lecture on ‘just war’ perspectives in Dante Alighieri and Al-Farabi; (3) initiated contacts between the UniMC and the NKUA (or between the UniMC and the University of Western Macedonia, Kozani, Greece) about student exchanges in the context of Erasmus (or similar programmes); (4) laying the foundations for the development and expansion of a research network to attract external funding while bringing together scholars from the NKUA and the UniMC. In particular, professors from UniMC will participate in the Ethical Leadership and Perspectives on Just War volumes, in an attempt to **improve the research visibility, standing, and ranking** of the Dipartimento di Studi Umanistici of the UniMC.

Sources of Funding: European Union’s NextGenerationEU programme, implemented through Italy’s National Recovery and Resilience Plan (PNRR)

(Mission 4: Education and Research), via the Educating Future Citizens (EFC) project administered by the UniMC. Amount of funding received: 3000 Euros.

September 2023 – January 2026: University of Kurdistan Hewlêr (UKH) (Erbil, Iraq): Lecturer, MA supervisor (Faculty Member). Appointed in the view of signed collaborations (consortia and exchange programmes) between the UKH and the NKUA (spring 2023) (cf. section *Societal Impact*).

Main Duties: (1) Teaching the following courses: *Theories of International Relations* (MA level), *World History and Modern Political Ideologies* (1st year BA level), *Political Geography, Security and Critical Theory*, and *Key Concepts in Political Thought* (3rd BA level); (2) coordinating and facilitating dissertation proposal interviews for post-graduate students, including setting up academic committees for evaluation and outcome determination; (3) **supervising/mentoring:** so far, I have supervised **five undergraduate (4th-year BA) and eight postgraduate (MA) students** in topics related to Iran, liberalism, the Middle East, war ethics, and religious violence. BA students must produce research dissertations of up to **10,000 words**, while MA students complete more extensive theses of up to **22,000 words**; and (4) full course curriculum building (January – April 2024): **BA in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics.** Mentoring strategy and activities include: structured supervision meetings (fortnightly) that emphasise student agency and intellectual autonomy. I support students by refining research questions collaboratively, recommending appropriate literature, addressing conceptual and methodological challenges, and encouraging reflective revision rather than prescriptive correction. I also prepare students for final submission and viva examination through dialogic feedback and self-assessment.

1 September 2022 – 30 January 2023: Charles University (Prague – Czechia). Institute of Greek and Latin Studies (IGLS), Faculty of Arts: Adjunct Lecturer and Module Leader, in *Byzantine Diplomacy*. Main Duties: (1) Planning and teaching the course *Byzantine Diplomacy and History*; (2) Collaborating with Dr. Pavlina Sipova (IGLS) to develop the course curriculum; (3) Designing and planning

learning activities and/or programs of study while creating effective learning environments and providing student support.

1 October 2017 – 10 March 2019: Newham College University Centre (in collaboration with the Open University) (United Kingdom): Lecturer, Academic Mentor/Student Supervisor in Politics and International Relations (Faculty Member). Main Duties: (1) Teaching and managing the following modules for 2nd-year BA students: *Theories of International Relations*, *Research Methods*, and *Political Theory*; (2) Delivering lessons and engaging students through various learning activities to inspire achievement; (3) Editing and amending course curriculums, deciding on teaching material, setting essay questions, and grading them via the Turnitin platform; (4) Supporting 3rd-year BA students in developing research questions and offering academic advice throughout the dissertation process (10,000-word dissertations).

12 July 2015 – 15 January 2020: Goldsmiths, University of London / Realising Opportunities (United Kingdom): Adjunct Academic Mentor and Student Supervisor. Main Duties: (1) Supporting up to two students per year in developing research questions and action plans on topics related to Political Philosophy and International Relations; (2) Holding two 45-minute tutorials per student, providing feedback on interim submissions following assessment criteria; (3) Guiding students in essay planning and uploading relevant material in Moodle and other virtual learning environments; (4) Marking final submissions and providing feedback and final marks in the university's database.

Research Funding and Grants

- Research Project: Greeks in Central Europe, Between the 15th and the 20th Century (1 February 2022 - 31 May 2023). After receiving an official invitation on 21 March 2022. Organisations involved: Charles University (Prague, Czechia), Gallery of Icons (Žilina, Slovakia). Funding bodies: The Visegrad International Fund. Project description: The project examines 500 years of Greek–Central European co-existence. Project Delivery: I conducted archival research about

Greek communities in Eastern Europe; this included examination of historical documents preserved in printed documents (presented in libraries in Athens and Thessaloniki) and scholarly books. I also reviewed digitised archival materials (available online). The results were disseminated through a seminar titled *Early Modern Culture in the Greek Diaspora: Greeks in Italy and Ukraine from the 13th Century Onward* (Charles University, 19 May 2022).

- People in Motion: Entangled Histories of Displacement Across the Mediterranean (1492 - 1923) (Reference number: CA18140) - Acceptance / Offer: 2 April 2022. Project Aim: Equip scholars in translation and cultural transfer in the Mediterranean, combining linguistics with politics. Trainees offer seminar lectures and conduct reading groups. Participation days: 26 - 27 of May 2022. Venue: Belgrade University (School of Philosophy), Serbia. Funding bodies: Horizon 2020, Framework Programme of the European Union. Amount of funding received: 610 Euros (travel grant).

Teaching merits

(1) Pedagogical Training and Demonstrated Pedagogical Expertise

- Fellowship of the Higher Education Academy (FHEA): Attained full Fellow status (FHEA) in August 2024 (Recognition Reference: PR293804), following the initial award of Associate Fellow (AHEA) in November 2017.
- Specialized Leadership and Integrity Training: Completed the Building Integrity Principles for Presenters (BIPP) course at the NATO Centre of Excellence (Sofia, Bulgaria, January 2023), focusing on reducing corruption risks and promoting ethical leadership frameworks within educational environments.
- Research-Led Curriculum Design: Designed the international curriculum for *Democracy: Ancient Perspectives – Modern Challenges* (2021) for the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (NKUA), working together with the Chair of the Department of Philosophy, Professor, Goergios Steiris. Through this programme I directly translate personal research on democratic order, leadership, and civic participation into a recurring, active syllabus attracting global cohorts.

Editorialship

Senior Editor and Copyeditor: *Dia-noesis: A Journal of Philosophy* (ISSN: 2459-413X / 2732-7507), active since January 2023.

Associate Editor: *International Journal of Political Activism and Engagement* (IJPAE) (ISSN: 2640-0367), active since June 2019.

Book Manuscript Reviewer: Palgrave Macmillan, Springer Books (active since March 2024).

Journal Peer Reviewer / Referee: *Religions* (ISSN 2077-1444, active since October 2021); *Philosophies* (ISSN 2409-9287, active since December 2022); *Histories* (ISSN 2409-9252, active since December 2022).

Award: Granted the *Outstanding Reviewer Award* by *Religions Journal* (2022) in recognition of peer-review contributions.

Other Academic Workshops

- **January 2020 - April 2020.** Reading Group Seminars: *The Crisis of Meaning in the West and Beyond*.

Role: principal convener.

Main Duties: (A) planning and teaching sessions on Simone Weil, Hans Morgenthau, Hannah Arendt, et al; (B) supporting induction while designing and editing the teaching material for every session, (C) allocating member and team responsibilities while monitoring and overseeing team activities. Venue: Goldsmiths, University of London (main campus); online after COVID-19.

- **October 2019 - December 2019.** Reading Group Seminars: *Revisiting the Enlightenment*

Role: principal convener.

Main Duties: (A) planning and teaching sessions on John Locke, Thomas Jefferson, et al; (B) supporting induction while designing and editing the teaching material for every session; (C) allocating member and team responsibilities while monitoring and overseeing team activities. Venue: Goldsmiths, University of London (main campus).

Societal Impact

(I) Engagement with Academic Diplomacy

Alongside my research and teaching activities, I have contributed to the development of international academic collaborations linking universities, scholars, and students across Europe and the Middle East. These initiatives emerged from research-related engagement with scholars working on political thought, democracy, leadership, and intercultural exchange, and gradually developed into broader collaborations involving curriculum design, conference organization, student mobility, and joint academic programmes. To build these collaborations and programmes I had to rely on the following international institutional roles:

(1) Study in Greece (SiG) – Ex Officio Coordinator (Academic Affairs) for Middle East Engagement (April 2021 – September 2024)

(2) The Medici Archive Project (MAP) – Communications Manager (Academic Affairs), Early Modern Greek Culture Programme (September 2021 – September 2022)

Milestones: - Conference Leadership and Scholarly Exchange: In 2022, I co-organised and co-ordinated the three conferences in Athens (1) *The Triumph of Liberty, the Loss of Freedom*, (2) *The Contribution of Byzantine and post-Byzantine scholars in Italy and the origins of the Renaissance*, and (3) *Revisiting the Achievements of Hellenism through time* (cf. *Conferences* Section), bringing together scholars working on democracy, republicanism, and political thought.

- Academic Partnership Development: *The Erbil Project* (December 2021 - February 2023). I leveraged simultaneous positions in MAP and SiG to design, lead, and implement this international academic diplomacy initiative, under the auspices of the Greek Consulate in Erbil (Kurdistan Region of Iraq). I convened academics, particularly scholars involved in the Thessaloniki International Media Summer Academy (accommodated in the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece), high-profile Greek journalists from the Hellenic Broadcast Corporation (ERT TV) and OPEN TV, academics, and community leaders in Erbil, including

Christian and Yazidi minority representatives, while exploring possibilities for networking with local universities (UKH). The project culminated in a one-week mission to Erbil (May – June 2022).

Project Impact: **(1)** Consortium development: Established long-term international academic collaborations, leading to the creation of a joint triple Master's program on Leadership and Ethics (NKUA, UKH, University of Sulaimani); **(2)** Expanded opportunities for student mobility, research collaboration, and institutional cooperation across Europe and the Middle East. For three consecutive years, students from the Kurdistan Region of Iraq were sponsored by the UKH and the AUIS to participate in the international programme *Democracy: Ancient Perspectives – Modern Challenges* (2021); and **(3)** I successfully put the *Democracy: Ancient Perspectives – Modern Challenges* programme into action by building networks with Iraqi universities (and working closely with the Greek Consulate of Erbil). The programme has been delivered successfully since 2022 and has attracted participants from Europe, the United States, and the Kurdistan Region of Iraq.

(II) Engagement with the Media:

Commentator for the ETHNOS newspaper (Greece), since June 2022, Huffington Post (Greece), since September 2024, and Epikaira.gr. Topics: the internationalisation of the Greek universities, academic bridges between Greece and India. So far, I have interviewed over 10 international academics, including Professor Neha Kethrapal, and Professor Rasoul Namazi.

- Interviews in the Regional Greek TV Broadcast Network Dion TV, with Dr. Elias Vavouras (once every month, since March 2021) for the Broadcast *Philosophical Debates - Φιλοσοφικοί Διάλογοι* (issues discussed: political philosophy, war and conflicts, religious fundamentalism, and populism).

- Interviews in the Hellenic Broadcast Corporation (ERT) TV (news commentary) and Radio (broadcast: *Hellenes Everywhere*). Topics discussed revolve around geopolitical issues affecting Greece, Caucasus, Europe, the Middle East. Frequency: periodically (usually once every six months, since June 2022). Since January 2026, I **have served as a co-host of the broadcast (remotely)** .

- Interviews and expert commentary on philosophy, democracy, war, and political ethics in Church of Greece Radio 89 (periodically).
- Interviews in the **OPEN TV Corporation**. Topics discussed: Greece and the Middle East, Ukraine, and Russia. Frequency: periodically (usually once every six months since March 2022).
- Periodically authoring for the following international blogs: **Edinburgh University Press** blog, The Conversation, and Open Democracy.

References

- Prof. Georgios Steiris, President, Department of Philosophy, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece
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