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I. ACADEMIC PROFILE

I am an internationally recognized political theorist and academic diplomat with over eight years of higher education leadership, cross-institutional research direction, and university teaching experience. Pioneering the concept of political Prometheanism, my scholarship redefines how moral legitimacy, civic agency, and political authority operate across Ancient Greek, Byzantine, Islamic, Medieval, and Modern traditions. My research portfolio includes an Edinburgh University Press monograph and forthcoming edited volumes with EUP and Palgrave Macmillan, and Brill featuring world-leading international scholars. Beyond text-based scholarship, I serve as a Research Lead for Aigis Initiative and Dialogue, where I architect multi-institutional consortia, negotiate international partnerships, and direct interdisciplinary research initiatives across Europe and the Middle East.

II. EDUCATION / DEGREES / CERTIFICATES

Post-doctoral Certificate in Political Philosophy — National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (NKUA), Department of Philosophy 2023 – Present (Expected: September 2026). Project Topic: A philosophical exploration of Homeric epics. Supervisor: Prof. Georgios Steiris (Chair of the Department of Philosophy).

Ph.D. in Politics and International Relations — Goldsmiths, University of London (United Kingdom). Awarded 30 June 2021. 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.

Fellowship of the Higher Education Academy (FHEA) — Goldsmiths, University of London / Advance HE, Awarded August 2024. Recognition reference: PR293804. Upgraded from Post-Graduate Certificate (PGCert) in Teaching and Learning in Higher Education / Associate Fellow Status (AFHEA, November 2017; Recognition reference: PR136328) in recognition of attainment against the UK Professional Standards Framework for teaching and learning support in higher education.

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

Bachelor of Arts (B.A. Hons) in Politics and Social Sciences — Kingston University London
(United Kingdom) Awarded 5 July 2010

III. LANGUAGES

- Modern Greek (Native)
- English (Advanced level)
- Italian (Intermediate and Reading level)
- Ancient Greek (Reading level)

IV. RESEARCH OUTPUTS

Monographs

- **2025** (Hardback) / **2026** (Paperback): 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) Dr Vavouras Elias (2025); (2) Mr Asimiadis Dionysis (2026); (3) Prof. David Thunder (2026); (4) Prof. Eleni Boliaki (2026).

Journal Entries and Book Chapters

- **Under Review:** From the Laughing Philosopher to Modern Tragic Irony: Giacomo Leopardi and the Democritean Legacy. In E. Vavouras & E. Piergiacomini (Eds.), *Brill's Companion to the Reception of Democritus*. Leiden: Brill.
- **Under Review:** Leveraging Democritus in International Political Theory: Atomism, Neorealism, and Ethics. In Vavouras, Elias (ed.), *Brill's Companion to Democritus*, Leiden: Brill.
- **2026:** Normative Realism and Promethean Recognition: Simone Weil and the Russia–Ukraine War, *Polis Revista*, 53(3). ISSN 12219762
- **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 receiving official invitation from the journal editors.

- **2024** (With Vavouras, Elias): 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 receiving official invitation from the journal editors.
- **2024**: Human Potential and Meritorious Leadership in Anna Komnene, Giovanni Boccaccio, and Niccolò Machiavelli. In «*Haue 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). Translated and published in **2026** in Greek under the following title: «Ηγεσία και Πολιτικός Ουμανισμός: Άννα Κομνηνή, Τζιοβάνι Βοκάκιο και Νικολό Μακιαβέλι». In *Φιλοσοφείν (Philosophhein)*. 33, pp. 363-396 (Open Access).
- **2023** (With Vavouras Elias): Religion as a Means of Political Conformity and Obedience: From Critias to Thomas Hobbes. In *Religions*, 14(9). DOI: 10.3390/rel14091180 (Contribution after receiving official invitation from the journal editors)
- **2023**: Theodosiadis M. Self-Purification and Social Dramatization; from Simone Weil to Martin Luther King Jr. In *Religions*. 14(4):541. DOI: 10.3390/rel14040541 (Open Access) (Scopus Q1).
- **2023**: «Ανάγκη για ρίζες». Η Σιμόν Βέλ και η Μέση Ανατολή ως υπόθεση εργασίας (in Greek); English title: ‘The Need for Roots’: Simone Weil and the Middle East as a Case Study. In *Φιλοσοφείν (Philosophhein)*. 28, pp. 315-323 (Open Access).
- **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 («Ἡ βαθεῖα 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).

Volumes Under Review

- *Ethical Leadership in Political Theory: Moral Legitimacy and Authority in Comparative Perspective*. Co-edited with Associate Professor Eva Anagnostou-Laoudites (Macquarie University). Submitted for review to Edinburgh University Press (Review status: pass with minor corrections and contract under preparation; **August 2026**).
Features contributions from full professors and senior research chairs globally.
Chapter contribution: (1) Introduction (co-authored with Eva Anagnostou-Laoudites); (2) The Deliberative Sovereign: *Phronesis*, *Oikonomia*, and Ethical Leadership in 9th-Century Byzantine Statecraft (single-authored chapter).
- *Thinking Ethically About War: Perspectives from Antiquity to the Present*. Submitted for review to Palgrave Macmillan (Review initiated: **July 2026**).

Convening an international cohort including emeritus senior professors and researchers from leading European research centers.

Planned Chapter contribution: (1) Introduction (single-authored); (2) A single-authored chapter (under construction) on Niccolò Machiavelli and Homer.

Volumes Under Preparation

- *Brill's Companion to Simone Weil's Reception of Classical Antiquity* (Brill; proposal stage).
Convening an international cohort of experts in Simone Weil.
Planned Chapter contribution: (1) Introduction (single-authored); (2) A chapter on Simone Weil and International Relations.

V. RESEARCH POSITIONS

Post-doctoral Researcher — National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (NKUA), Greece (Department of Philosophy). 2 June 2023 – 2 June 2026

- 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 been published or submitted to journals for review. Certificate award of completion of the 3-year project expected by June 2026. Following completion, transitioning to an Advisory Member role 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 a primary hosting platform to pursue and secure international visiting roles while representing the university abroad.

VI. TEACHING, CURRICULUM DESIGN, AND MENTORING POSITIONS

Visiting Professor — University of Macerata (UniMC), Italy — Scuola di Studi Superiori Giacomo Leopardi

April – May 2026

- Main Duties: (1) Working with Professor Roberto Lambertini to carry out teaching activities and actively interact with students; (2) Delivering lectures on just war theory in Ancient Greece, Byzantium, and Medieval Italy; (3) Building bridges and expanding 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 UniMC and NKUA (or UniMC and the University of Western Macedonia, Kozani, Greece) regarding student exchanges in the

context of Erasmus (or similar programmes); (4) Laying the foundations for expanding a research network to attract external funding while bringing together scholars from NKUA and UniMC. Professors from UniMC will participate in the Ethical Leadership and Perspectives on Just War volumes to improve the research standing of the Dipartimento di Studi Umanistici of UniMC.

- **Funding Source:** 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 UniMC. Amount of funding received: €3,000.

Lecturer, MA Supervisor — University of Kurdistan Hewlêr (UKH), Erbil, Kurdistan Region of Iraq.

September 2023 – January 2026

- Appointed in view of signed collaborations (consortia and exchange programmes) between UKH and NKUA (spring 2023).
- **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 year 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: Supervised 5 undergraduate (4th-year BA) and 8 postgraduate (MA) students in topics related to Iran, liberalism, the Middle East, war ethics, and religious violence. BA dissertations up to 10,000 words; MA theses up to 22,000 words; (4) Full course curriculum building (January – April 2024): BA in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics (PPE).
- **Mentoring strategy:** Structured fortnightly supervision meetings emphasizing student agency and intellectual autonomy. Supported students by refining research questions collaboratively, recommending literature, addressing conceptual/methodological challenges, and encouraging reflective revision. Prepared students for final submissions and viva examinations through dialogic feedback and self-assessment.

Adjunct Lecturer and Module Leader in Byzantine Diplomacy — Charles University, Institute of Greek and Latin Studies (IGLS), Faculty of Arts, Prague, Czechia.

1 September 2022 – 30 January 2023

- **Main Duties:** (1) Planning and teaching the course Byzantine Diplomacy and History; (2) Collaborating with Dr Pavlina Sipova (IGLS) to develop course curriculum; (3) Designing learning activities/programs of study while creating effective learning environments and providing student support.

Lecturer, Academic Mentor / Student Supervisor in Politics and International Relations — Newham College University Centre (in collaboration with Open University), London, United Kingdom

1 October 2017 – 10 March 2019

- Main Duties: (1) Teaching and managing 2nd-year BA modules: Theories of International Relations, Research Methods, and Political Theory; (2) Delivering engaging lessons through various learning activities to inspire achievement; (3) Editing course curriculums, deciding teaching materials, setting essay questions, and grading via Turnitin; (4) Supporting 3rd-year BA students in developing research questions and academic advice throughout the 10,000-word dissertation process.

Adjunct Academic Mentor and Student Supervisor — Goldsmiths, University of London / Realising Opportunities, London, United Kingdom

12 July 2015 – 15 January 2020

- Main Duties: (1) Supporting up to 2 students per year in developing research questions and action plans in Political Philosophy and IR; (2) Holding two 45-minute tutorials per student, providing feedback on interim submissions following assessment criteria; (3) Guiding students in essay planning and uploading material in Moodle and VLEs; (4) Marking final submissions and providing feedback and marks in the university database.

VII. RESEARCH FUNDING AND GRANTS

- **EU NextGenerationEU / PNRR, Research & Teaching Grant** — University of Macerata (2026). Competitive award under Mission 4 (Education and Research) for Visiting Professorship and lectures on War Ethics (€3,000).
- **Visegrad International Fund, Research Grant** — Research Project: ‘Greeks in Central Europe, Between the 15th and the 20th Century’ (1 Feb 2022 – 31 May 2023). Organizations involved: Charles University (Prague, Czechia), Gallery of Icons (Žilina, Slovakia). Conducted archival research on Greek communities in Eastern Europe through historical documents, library archives in Athens/Thessaloniki, and digitized online materials. Results disseminated via seminar ‘Early Modern Culture in the Greek Diaspora’ (Charles University, 19 May 2022).
- **Horizon 2020 Framework Programme, Travel Grant** — ‘People in Motion: Entangled Histories of Displacement Across the Mediterranean (1492-1923)’ (COST Action CA18140, Accepted 2 April 2022). Project Aim: Equip scholars in cultural transfer/translation combining linguistics with politics. Trainees offer seminar lectures and conduct reading groups. Venue: Belgrade University, Serbia (26-27 May 2022). Travel grant received: €610.
- **Goldsmiths Graduate School, Travel Grant** — Goldsmiths, University of London (April 2017). Awarded for research presentation at the Political Studies Association (PSA) International Conference, University of Glasgow.

VIII. CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED LECTURES

Conference Presentations

- **14 November 2026 (planned):** ‘Φιλοσοφία και Πολιτική Πράξη: Ο Πλατωνικός Ηγέτης απέναντι στην Κοινωνία’. The English Title: ‘Philosophy and Political Praxis; Society and Leadership in Plato’. National Conference, Greece. Organiser: Greek Philosophical Society. Topic: Equality, politics, philosophy Venue: Online.
- **21 October 2026 (planned):** ‘Η επιρροή της Ελληνικής Φιλοσοφίας στη Γαλλική και Αμερικανική Επανάσταση’. The English Title. ‘The Influence of Greek Philosophy in the French and American Revolutions’. Event: *The Enduring Legacy of Ancient Greek Philosophy and Language: From the Mediterranean to the United States*. National Conference, Athens, Greece, Organiser: Aigis - Initiative and Dialogue. Venue: Ecumenical Association of Greeks of Constantinople, Athens.
- **2 May 2026:** ‘Christian Orthodox perspectives on Just War theory’. Event: *Eighth Colloquia Cererea International Conference*, Venue: Cereneum Centre, The University of Lodz, Poland.
- **27 March 2025:** ‘Δημοκρατία και Φιλοσοφία Σήμερα’. English title: ‘Democracy and Philosophy Today’ (under the auspices of the journal *Philosophiein*). National Conference. Venue: Oval, Thessaloniki, Greece.
- **13 October 2024:** ‘Reconciling Wisdom and Power: Possibilities, Challenges, and Strategies for Virtuous Leadership’. Event: *Strategic Leadership and Innovation Forum*. International Conference, The American University of Iraq in Slemani (AUIS), Sulaymaniyah, Iraq (Invited by Dean of the School of Social Sciences, Prof. Tobin Hartnell).
- **12 March 2024:** ‘Orthodox Christianity and Religious Tolerance in the Kurdistan Region of Iraq’. Event: 4th International Conference on Religious Diplomacy. Organised by Foreign Policy Journal, NKUA (Department of Theology), Orthodoxtimes.gr, and the Foreign Affairs Institute (FAI) (Greece) under auspices of Ecumenical Patriarchate. Venue: Hellenic Armed Forces Club, Athens. Presentation after invitation by the President of FAI, Mr Lampros Katsonis.
- **13 May 2023:** ‘Early Byzantine Political Thought and the Contemporary Global Political Project’. Event: Fifth Colloquia Cererea International Conference, Cereneum Centre, University of Lodz, Poland.
- **15 April 2022:** ‘Ολύμπια Θρησκεία και Χριστιανισμός στη Βυζαντινή εξωτερική πολιτική και διπλωματία’. English title: ‘Olympian Religion and Christianity in Byzantine Foreign Policy and Diplomacy’. National Conference (organised by the Early Modern Greek Culture Programme, of the Medici Archive Project institute). Venue: Ecumenical Association of Greeks of Constantinople, Athens.
- **14 April 2022:** ‘The Triumph of Liberty, the Loss of Freedom: Democracy and Republicanism Beyond Liberalism’. Event: Authoritarianism in the Eurasian Context, (organised by the NKUA Department of Philosophy and the Early Modern Greek Culture

Programme, of the Medici Archive Project institute). Venue: Kostis Palamas Building, NKUA, Athens.

- **12 April 2022:** ‘Οι Βυζαντινοί και μετα-Βυζαντινοί λόγιοι και η Ανθρωποκεντρική Διάσταση της Ιταλικής Αναγέννησης’. English title: Byzantine/post-Byzantine scholars and Italian Renaissance. National Conference (organised by the NKUA Department of Philosophy and the Early Modern Greek Culture Programme, of the Medici Archive Project institute), under auspices of the General Secretary of Greek Diaspora, Greek Foreign Affairs. Venue: B&M Theocharakis Foundation, Athens.
- **4 December 2021:** ‘Common Semiotics in Homer and Dante’. Event: 4th International Conference on Epistemology, 'Syn Athena' & Laboratory of Semiotics, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (Online). Additional role: Selection Committee member.
- **25 April 2019:** ‘Does Tradition Deserve to Survive? Uprootedness and Causes of Interstate War’. Event: Between Myth & Memory International Conference, University of Surrey, London, UK.
- **9 April 2018:** ‘The Politics of Common Decency and the Dignity of Nations’. Event: Overcoming Contemporary Impasse. International Conference, Goldsmiths, University of London, UK. Additional role: Selection Committee member.
- **2 April 2017:** ‘Political identities in the European south’. Event: Political Studies Association (PSA) International Conference, University of Glasgow, UK (Supported by Goldsmiths Travel Grant).

Invited International Lectures & Seminars

- Seminars at University of Western Macedonia, Kozani (Greece):
 - **10 Feb 2026:** On leadership and ethics.
 - **4 Nov 2025:** On Machiavelli and realism.
 - **21 Oct 2025:** On Hobbes and Human Nature.
 - **10 Nov 2023:** On Thucydides and Human Nature.
 - **10 Nov 2022:** Byzantine Cosmopolitanism and its Contemporary Relevance: rethinking the role of the modern nation-state.
- **November 2025:** Monograph Presentation: Ancient Greek Democracy and American Republicanism: Prometheus in Political Theory, Hellenic Open University, Patras, Greece.
- **December 2024:** Public Seminar: The Promethean Philosopher King and the Pursuit of Ethical Leadership, Koç University, Istanbul, Türkiye.
- **October 2024:** Invited Forum Speaker: Reconciling Wisdom and Power: Possibilities, Challenges, and Strategies for Virtuous Leadership, Strategic Leadership & Innovation Forum, AUIS, Iraq.
- **March 2022:** Virtual Training Seminar: Civic Inclusion and Civic Engagement for Public Diplomacy, Blink 42-21, U.S. Embassy Skopje, & DCN Global.

IX. EDITORSHIP AND ACADEMIC SERVICE

- Book Manuscript Reviewer: Palgrave Macmillan, Springer Books (Active since **March 2024**).
- Associate Editor: Φιλοσοφείν (ISSN: 2241-4401), Active since **January 2024**.
- Senior Editor and Copyeditor: Dia-noesis: A Journal of Philosophy (ISSN: 2459-413X / 2732-7507), Active since **January 2023**.
- Journal Peer Reviewer / Referee: Religions (ISSN 2077-1444, active since **October 2021**); Philosophies (ISSN 2409-9287, active since Dec 2022); Histories (ISSN 2409-9252, active since **December 2022**).
- Associate Editor: International Journal of Political Activism and Engagement (IJPAE) (ISSN: 2640-0367), Active since **June 2019**.
- **Award:** Granted the Outstanding Reviewer Award by Religions Journal (2022) in recognition of peer-review contributions.

X. ACADEMIC WORKSHOP CONVENINGS

Principal Convener — Reading Group Seminars: The Crisis of Meaning in the West and Beyond — Goldsmiths, University of London (Main Campus / Online post-COVID)

January 2020 – April 2020

- Main Duties: (A) Planning and teaching sessions on Simone Weil, Hans Morgenthau, Hannah Arendt, et al.; (B) Supporting induction while designing and editing teaching materials; (C) Allocating member and team responsibilities while monitoring team activities.

Principal Convener — Reading Group Seminars: Revisiting the Enlightenment — Goldsmiths, University of London (Main Campus)

October 2019 – December 2019

- Main Duties: (A) Planning and teaching sessions on John Locke, Thomas Jefferson, et al.; (B) Supporting induction and editing teaching materials; (C) Overseeing team activities.

XI. SOCIETAL IMPACT AND ACADEMIC DIPLOMACY

Engagement with Academic Diplomacy

Research Lead and Academic Development Chair — Aigis Initiative and Dialogue (AID)

Present (Role Active; Active concurrent, remote project portfolio focused on academic diplomacy, network expansion, and strategic partnerships).

- **Main Duties:** (1) Institutional Agreements & Diplomacy: Actively negotiating and establishing formal partnership agreements between think tanks, research centers, and Higher Education Institutions to advance international education, joint research, and scholarly exchanges; (2) Research Group Direction: Directing cross-institutional, collaborative research groups producing publishable academic materials and joint volume projects; (3) Conference

Leadership: Conceptualizing, planning, and hosting international conferences to generate research insights—currently serving as principal organizer for an international conference in Athens (October 2026) on the global reception and influence of Greek language and philosophy; (4) Consortium Building & Program Outreach: Facilitating cross-institutional scholar exchange programs while architecting targeted outreach to promote postgraduate programs in Politics and International Relations across partner universities, leveraging established models of inter-university collaboration

- Planned projects so far:
 - **Athens International Academic Conference (Planned: October 2026)**: Convening an international conference in Athens exploring the enduring influence and global transmission of Greek language and philosophy across historical paradigms.
 - **Cross-Institutional Program Promotion & Consortium Building**: Architecting strategic academic outreach initiatives to promote postgraduate programs in Politics and International Relations to international Higher Education Institutions. This initiative facilitates inter-university consortia, joint program promotion, and international student/faculty mobility

Past Roles & Milestones in Academic Diplomacy

- Study in Greece (SIG) — Ex Officio Coordinator (Academic Affairs) for Middle East Engagement (April 2021 – September 2024).
- The Medici Archive Project (MAP) — Communications Manager (Academic Affairs), Early Modern Greek Culture Programme (September 2021 – September 2022).
- Milestone: Conference Leadership: Co-organised and coordinated three major conferences in Athens in 2022 on democracy, republicanism, and political thought (cf. Section VIII, Conference and Presentations)
- Milestone: Academic Partnership Development (The Erbil Project, Dec 2021 – Feb 2023): Leveraged simultaneous MAP and SiG positions under auspices of the Consulate of Greece. Convened academics from Thessaloniki International Media Summer Academy (Aristotle University), ERT TV / OPEN TV journalists, and Erbil community leaders (including Christian/Yazidi minority representatives). Led one-week mission to Erbil (May-June 2022), working closely with Consulate of Greece in Erbil
- Project Impact: (1) Established long-term international academic collaborations, leading to a joint triple Master's program on Leadership and Ethics (NKUA, UKH, University of Sulaimani); (2) Expanded student mobility and research collaboration across Europe and Middle East; (3) Successfully put the 'Democracy: Ancient Perspectives - Modern Challenges' program into action, attracting participants from Europe, USA, and Kurdistan Region of Iraq since 2022.

Engagement with the Media

- Broadcaster: Dion TV regional Greek network ('Philosophical Debates' / Φιλοσοφικοί Διάλογοι), with Dr Elias Vavouras (active since **March 2021**). Topics: political philosophy,

civil conflicts, international relations, religious fundamentalism, nationalism, political movements, populism.

- Commentator for ETHNOS newspaper (active since **June 2022**), Huffington Post Greece (since Sept 2024), and Epikaira.gr on internationalization of Greek universities and Greece-India academic bridges. Interviewed over 10 international academics (e.g., Prof. Neha Kethrapal, Prof. Rasoul Namazi).
- Periodical news commentary on Hellenic Broadcast Corporation (ERT TV & Radio 'Hellenes Everywhere') on geopolitical issues in Greece, Caucasus, Europe, and Middle East (since **June 2022**).
- Periodical interviews and expert commentary on philosophy, democracy, war, and ethics on Church of Greece Radio 89.
- Periodical TV interviews on OPEN TV Corporation on Greece, Middle East, Ukraine, and Russia (since March 2022).
- Authoring articles for international blogs: Edinburgh University Press blog, The Conversation, and OpenDemocracy.