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Education

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RESEARCH

Research Interests

History of Philosophy, Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy (Ethics, Politics, Law, Philosophy of Nature, Metaphysics), Greek Philosophy (Ancient and Byzantine), Early Arabic Philosophy.

Recent Research

My research over the past years has focused on two main directions.

The first has to do with the way of engaging ancient Greek philosophy, namely Neoplatonic and pre-Socratic, in the Italian Renaissance. Particularly, in the work of 15th century philosophers, references to pre-Socratic philosophers increased and multiplied. Although the phenomenon is well known, there are no comprehensive studies to date in the international literature. The study of pre-Socratic philosophy is not a simple reference to the philosophy of the Renaissance; rather, it assumes an instrumental role in supporting the shift in philosophy that figures like Ficino and Pico della Mirandola had noted. My research aims to highlight the degree with which 15th century philosophy is influenced by the pre-Socratics. In particular, by how much do references to them seem accurate and reproduce the real meaning of their philosophy or whether it is just loose readings that give exaggerated interpretations. Moreover, I intend to identify the approach of pre-Socratic philosophy by Ficino and Pico della Mirandola, especially through the texts of neo-platonic philosophers of late antiquity. I started publishing the first findings of the research and I hope it results in a monograph, since the material that I have researched constantly produces new results.

Furthermore, I have launched a research concerning the use of Arabic philosophy by Byzantine philosophers and theologians from the 14th to the 15th century. Although the two areas, Arabic and Byzantine, were near each other for many centuries, the influence of Arabic philosophy on the Byzantine tradition has not been studied yet. To date, the research focused on the study of the spread of ancient Greek philosophy in the Arabic world and the impact brought by Arabic philosophy to the European civilization. I have already worked enough on Georgius Scholarius whose work demonstrates the influence of Arabic philosophy, sometimes explicitly and sometimes in hidden manner. A first version of the findings of my studies has been given for publication while the rest remains since the research is constantly yielding new results. Additionally, I focus on the perception of Greek identity in 15th century philosophers.

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- 18. "Chimeras in myth and in the 21th century: from homo sapiens to homo cyborg (E chimeres sto mytho kai ton 21o aiona: apo ton homo sapiens sto homo cyborg)", *Man and technology, The Global political and financial crisis,* Greek Society for Ethics, Limassol, Cyprus, 12-13/10/2010.
- **19.** "Presocratic Thought in the Philosophy of Giovanni Pico della Mirandola", *Annual Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America*, Montreal 24-26/3/2011.
- **20.** "Pythagoreans and Orphics in the Philosophy of Giovanni Pico della Mirandola", *Annual Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America*, Associate Organization: Society for Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy, Washington DC, 22-24/3/2012.
- **21.** Respondent, Session: Francesco Patrizi da Cherso on the Language of Rationality and of Poetry, Sponsor: Discipline Representative/Neo-Latin Literature, Annual Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America, Washington DC, 22-24/3/2012.
- **22.** "Al-Fārābi's ecumenical state and its modern connotations", 9th ISUD World Congress, Olympia, 22-27/6/2012.
- **23.** "Homer in the Middle Ages and the Renaissance", *15th Euroclassica Academia Homerica 2012*, Chios, Greece, 6-15/7/2012.

- 24. "Han Fei Tzu and Machiavelli on the Prince", The 13th International Conference on the History of Science in China & The International Conference on Chinese History of Science and Its Interaction with the Greek Civilization, Organizers: Chinese Society for the History of Science and Technology, The Chinese Academy of Sciences, The Hellenic Open University, Athens, 22-27/7/2012.
- 25. "The knowledge of nature according to al-Farabi", *II Hellenic Conference on Philosophy of Science*, Department of Philosophy, History, Science, University of Athens, 29/11-1/12/2012.
- **26.** "Proclus as a source for Pico's arguments concerning emanatio and creatio ex nihilo", *Conference "Archai: Proclus Diadochus of Constantinople and his Abrahamic Interpreters"*, Fatih University Yildiz University, Istanbul, 12-16/12/2012.
- **27.** "Presocratic Thought in the Philosophy of Marsilio Ficino", Session: Ficino I: Looking to Antiquity, *Annual Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America*, San Diego CA, 4-6/4/2013.
- **28.** *Chair,* Session: Natural Philosophy, Annual Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America, San Diego CA, 4-6/4/2013.
- 29. "George of Trebizond and Bessarion on Identity and Otherness", Conference: "Identitätsreflexionen: Griechische Philosophie und Weltanschauung von der 'byzantinischen' Zeit bis zum Hellas der Krise", Department of Philosophy, University of Athens, Griechischer Studentenverein Berlin e.V., und die Griechische Kulturstiftung (Zweigstelle Berlin), Berlin, 12/6/2013.
- **30.** "The Study of the Soul in Renaissance Utopian Literature", *Conference "The Place of Renaissance Humanism in the History of Philosophy"*, University of Groningen, Groningen, 13-15/6/2013.
- **31.** "Pico della Mirandola on Anaxagoras", XXIII World Congress of Philosophy, International Federation of Philosophical Societies, Greek Philosophical Society, Athens, 4-10/8/2013.
- 32. "Conclusiones secundum Pythagoram et Hymnos Orphei: Early modern reception of ancient Greek wisdom", 8th Classical Conference "Antiquity and Modern World: Interpretation of Ancient Culture and Heritage", Serbian Society for Ancient Studies, Belgrade – Novi Sad - Sremska Mitrovica, Serbia, 18-20/10/2013.
- **33.** "Michael Apostolis on substance", *Conference: Bessarion's treasure: editing, translating and interpreting Bessarion's literary heritage,* Institute of Byzantine Studies of the University of Munich with the support of the Byzantine Studies Association of Germany (DAFBS) and the Centro Tedesco di Studi Veneziani (DSZV), Venice and in collaboration with the Venice International University (VIU), Venice, 4-5/4/2014.
- **34.** "The reception of Presocratic philosophy in 15th century Italy: Ficino and Pico on the Presocratics", *Fourth Biennial Conference of the International Association for Presocratic Studies*, "INTERDISCIPLINARY CENTRE FOR ARISTOTLE STUDIES" at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki-Greece, 30/6-4/7/2014.
- **35.** "Maximus the Confessor and al-Farabi on Imagination", *International Colloquium Maximus the Confessor as a European Philosopher*, Freie Universitat

Berlin, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Freie Universität Berlin' Philosophy Institute, Berlin 26/9-28/92014.

- **36.** *Ficino and Pico on Parmenides,* Session: Ficino II, Logos and the transcendent, The 61th Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America, Humboldt Universitat Berlin, Berlin 26-28/3/2015.
- **37.** *Al-Fārābi on globalization and universal dialogue,* II International Forum "Al-Farabi and Modernity", The Ministry of Education and Science of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Al-Farabi Kazakh National University, National Academy of Sciences of the Republic of Kazakhstan, Almaty Kazakhstan 7-8/4/2015.
- **38.** *Pletho and the Arabs, "*Never the Twain Shall Meet, Latins and Greeks learning from each other in Byzantium", Conference at the Department of Romance Studies and Classics, Stockholm University, June 24-26/6/2015.
- **39.** Byzantine Scholars in Renaissance Italy on Identity and Otherness, "Eurasian Empires, Public Space/Sphere, and Collective Identities at the Threshold of Modernity", Department of Social Sciences and Philosophy, University of Jyväskylä & Academy of Finland, Helsinki, 2-3/12/2015.
- **40.** Aristotelian Mathematics and Natural Philosophy in the 15th century, CORPUS ARISTOTELICUM B XXI BEKE, Applied Philosophy Research Laboratory NKUA, The Crimea Philosophical Club, The Russian Philosophical Society, The Humanities and Education Academy of the Vernadksy Federal University, The Scientific and Educational Center of classics of Demidov Yaroslavl State University, 14/4/2016.
- **41.** *Giovanni Pico's della Mirandola idiosyncratic Aristotelianism,* World Congress: Aristotle 2400 years, Aristotle University of Salonica – Interdisciplinary Centre for Aristotelian Studies, Salonica 23-28/5/2016.
- **42.** *Pletho on Dionysius the Areopagite,* Corpus Dionysiacum Areopagiticum: Ancient and Modern Readers, The Faculty of Theology and Religion of the University of Oxford – The Department of Philosophy, Pedagogy and Psychology of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens – The Oxford Centre of Late Antiquity, St Cross College – Pusey House, Oxford 18-20/7/2016.
- **43.** *Scholarios on Averroes,* Averroism between the 15th and 17th century, Department of Philosophy, Palacky University Olomouc, Olomouc 9-10/11/2016.
- **44.** The contribution of late byzantine scholars in 15th century Aristotelianism (E simvole ton ysterobyzantinon logion sto dytiko aristotelismo tou 1500 aiona, Aristotle and Christianity, School of Theology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Athens 24-25/11/2016. http://www.pemptousia.gr/video/pos-kiriarchise-o-aristotelis-stinanagennisi/
- **45.** The Problem of Hellenic Identity in 15th Century Byzantium, Collectivities, Individuals, Identity and the Polity: Imagining the Commons in Late Antiquity and Byzantium, Stavros Niarchos Foundation Centre for Hellenic Studies, with support from the Departments of History and Political Science at Simon Fraser University, Simon Fraser University, Vancouver CA, 3-4/2/2017.

- **46.** George of Trebizond and Niccolo Machiavelli on the Spartan Constitution, Session: Rethinking Machiavelli through His Philosophical Sources (sponsored by the Society for Medieval & Renaissance Philosophy), Annual Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America, Chicago, 30/3-1/4/2017.
- **47.** *City and citizen in Islamic Political Thought,* Hellenic-Serbian Philosophical Meeting: Thinking in Action, The NKUA Applied Philosophy Research, The House of Cyprus, Athens 1/6/2017.
- **48.** A Dispute among 15th Century Byzantine Scholars over Universals and Particulars, Session: PLATONISM IN LATE BYZANTIUM, 15th Annual ISNS Conference, Department of Philosophy, Palacky University Olomouc, Olomouc 14-17/6/2017.
- **49.** *The Political Thought of Thomas Aquinas,* International Conference: THOMAS LATINUS THOMAS GRAECUS, Thomas Aquinas and his Reception in Byzantium, National Library of Greece, Books Tower, Stavros Niarchos Foundation Cultural Center, Athens 15–16 December 2017, Co-organizers: NATIONAL LIBRARY OF GREECE, UNIVERSITY OF PATRAS, THE HELLENIC INSTITUTE, ROYAL HOLLOWAY, UNIVERSITY OF LONDON.
- **50.** *George of Trebizond on Arabic Philosophy and Science,* The 64th Meeting of the Renaissance Society of America, New Orleans, 22-24/3/2018.
- **51.** The fall of the Intellectuals: the case of the Greek crisis, Political Crises and Intellectuals, Academy of Finland Research Project "Political Power in the Early Modern European and Islamic Worlds", University of Jyväskylä, Finland, 22/5/2018.
- **52.** Plenary lecture: *Aquinas readers in Byzantium and the transmission of Arabic philosophy*, "3rd Symposium Thomisticum: Aquinas and the Greeks". Αθήνα, 7-9/6/2018.

Public Lectures

- **1.** From Late Middle Ages to Renaissance: Continuity or Discontinuity? The testimony of Philosophy, Aspects and Perspectives of Science, Hellenic Research Institute, Athens 19/2/2008.
- **2.** An Argive Philosopher in the Late Roman Period, Lectures of the Department of Theatrical Studies, University of Peloponnese, Argos, Greece, 26/3/2008.
- **3.** Byzantine and Western Medieval Philosophy in the 14th and 15th century: the outcome of the scientific and philosophical confrontation, Events Series 2011, Center for Hellenic Studies, Harvard University, Nafplio, Greece, 16/2/2011.
- **4.** *"Plato's in the Middle Ages: Arabic and Latin perceptions on Plato,* Greek Philosophical Society, Athens 7/2/2013.
- **5.** *Philosophy, Science, Technology in Early Modern Europe,* DaseinLab @Anesis, Athens 27/2/2013.
- **6.** *From magic to technology: the journey of medieval and renaissance science,* Eugenides Foundation, Athens 17/4/2013.

- **7.** *The Presocratics in the Italian Renaissance,* Department of Philosophy, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul 2/12/2014.
- **8.** *Kallos and aesthetics of manner in the Italian Renaissance (Kallos kai aesthetike tou tropou),* DaseinLab @Anesis, Athens 3/2/2016.
- **9.** The reception of Arabic Philosophy in 15th century Byzantium, Department of Philosophy and Pedagogy, Aristotle University of Salonica, Salonica 23/3/2016.
- **10.** Modern democracy and its wounds: populism, elitism and messianism. Danaos Club, Argos 4/12/2016.

Employment

• 2017- Associate Professor, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

• Visiting Professor, Department of Social Sciences and Philosophy, University of Jyvaskyla (Finland), May-June 2018.

• 2012-2017 Assistant Professor, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

• 2007-2012: Lecturer, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

• 2006-present: Adjunct Lecturer and Director of the Course "European Philosophy", Hellenic Open Univrsity.

• 2003-2007: Adjunct Lecturer, University of Peloponnese.

Teaching Experience – Courses' Syllabi

1. 17/4/2007 – present: Department of Philosophy, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

Undergraduate Courses:

<u>Medieval Philosophy</u>: Medieval philosophy and Christianity, major notions, schools and universities. Early medieval philosophy: Augustine, Boethius, Joannes Eriugena and others. Tommaso d'Aquino on logic, semantics, modalities. Metaphysics – epistemology: God, essence and existence, the relation of substance to attributes. Philosophy of nature: the image of the world, motion, the convictions in 1277. Philosophy of the mind: sense, intellect, imagination. Ethics: free will,

eudaimonia, consciousness, natural law. Politics: law, state, government. The Arabs: currents, traditions, eminent scholars.

<u>Renaissance Philosophy</u>: From the late Middle Ages to Renaissance. Philosophy and natural sciences during the Renaissance. Humanism. Greek scholars. Neo-Platonism. Logic: scholasticism and humanism, philosophy of language. Philosophy of nature: empiricism, world and nature, alchemy, astrology, magic. Ethics: Christian and philosophical ethics, virtue, eudemonia, summum bonum. Politics: utopia, republicanism, the relation to ethics. Psychology: organic and rational soul. Metaphysics: God, the being. Theory of Knowledge, philosophy of sciences. Hispanic scholasticism during the Renaissance.

<u>Early Modern Philosophy</u>: The views of Hobbes, Locke and Rousseau in relation to major historic events of their times. Hobbes and the English Civil War, Locke and the Puritan Revolution, Rousseau and the French one. Social contract theories and pre-civil state. The emergence of rationalism. Skepticism and the question of deduction by Hume. The foundations of modern philosophy and the offspring of the Enlightenment, namely Kant and Hegel. The categorical imperative and Bentham's utilitarian response. The inversion of Hegelian dialectics and Marx's historical materialism.

<u>History of Philosophy</u>: The development of philosophy through time, influential notions, timely impact of key tenets, major currents and traditions, the overall evolution of philosophy in the course of time. Ancient Greek, Medieval Philosophy, Eastern Philosophy, Modern Philosophy, Contemporary Philosophy.

<u>Philosophy of Nature</u>: A. Its meaning and its evolution. Philosophy of nature as a field dealing a) with the natural world, b) with natural sciences. B. Major issues such as time, space, mater, causality etc C. Evolutionary stages from antiquity and the Middle Ages to modern views.

<u>Epistemology</u>: A. What is epistemology and logic? Epistemology as theory of knowledge, as well as a theory of sciences. Logic as in instrument for science and philosophy. B. Major issues concerning both fields, such as the possibility of knowledge, its origins, the inner structure of knowledge and belief, truth, knowledge and science, methodology, modal logic, multi-valued and fuzzy logic etc. Major traditions: skepticism, empiricism, realism, rationalism, idealism etc. C. The development of epistemology (as a theory of knowledge and of the sciences) and logic.

Postgraduate Courses:

<u>Cross Cultural Ethics</u>: Within the context of Cross Cultural Ethics, ethical views and moral systems which are encountered and developed outside the limits of Western Civilization are examined along with their cultural implications. The aim of this course is to study the moral concepts and values in different civilizations and eras. In addition to presenting these concepts and values, we conduct a critical analysis, compare the different approaches and discuss the global issues related to Ethics. This approach is necessary to shape the attitude of humanity, individually and collectively, towards large, global and universal-scale issues which acquired a particular dimension after the Second World War. In the seminar, we emphasize on the study of key thinkers in the Chinese tradition (Confucius, Mencius, Han Fei) and the Hindu tradition (Kautilya) in comparison to ancient Greek philosophers

(Sophists, Plato, Aristotle, Xenophon) and more modern European ones (Machiavelli, Hume, Kant)."

<u>Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy</u>: Tommaso d'Aquino on logic, semantics, modalities. Metaphysics – epistemology: God, essence and existence, the relation of substance to attributes. Philosophy of nature: the image of the world, motion, the convictions in 1277. From the late Middle Ages to Renaissance. Philosophy and natural sciences during the Renaissance. Humanism. Greek scholars. Neo-Platonism. Metaphysics: God, the being.

2. 1/10/2006 – present: Adjunct Lecturer, Hellenic Open University.

Undergraduate Courses:

Philosophy of Nature and Science in Europe: The course focuses on the many aspects of European development and the nature of European civilization and culture. It is an innovative course offered by the School of Humanities of the Hellenic Open University, which opens new ground in Greek Higher Education. Interdisciplinary in nature, it incorporates a variety of established and modern subjects and aims at analyzing the basic elements, processes and agents, which have interacted over time to make up what is understood today as Europe. The course: provides knowledge and skills; builds up critical ability; contributes to historical and comparative analysis; helps highlight the multi-faceted kaleidoscope of Europe. The books (study-guides) specially written by Hellenic Open University for the course are complemented both by general textbooks and by a series of shorter texts, all of which are also stocked and provided by the University Library. They refer to central themes and debates formulated by disciplines such as history, philosophy, art, geography, all of which highlight processes of continuity and change, of identity and nation-building, of supra-nationalism, across most of what is today considered Europe in geographical terms.

<u>Philosophy in Europe</u>: Subjects covered: 1. Philosophy from the 6th to the 16th century 2. The Enlightenment (17th - 18th century) 3. Modern and Contemporary Philosophical trends (19th - 20th century)

3. 9/2003 – 2/2007: Adjunct Lecturer, University of Peloponnese, School of Philosophy.

Courses:

<u>Ancient Greek Philosophy</u>: The naturalistic knowledge, the question concerning God and the divine, the origins of life, the structure of the universe, the notion of infinity, religious anthropomorphism and sciences, knowledge and sentience in the views of influential thinkers such as Pythagoras, Heraclitus, Parmenides, Leucippus, Democritus, Protagoras, Socrates, Plato, Aristotle.

<u>Philosophy of Civilization</u>: A. Definition and import. B. Key issues such as the meaning and the aim of history, its course, the question concerning the knowledge of history and its subject, narration, fact and truth, necessity and causality etc. C. Stages of development: ancient Greek and Christian views, Vico, Voltaire, Rousseau, Kant, Herder, Hegel, Marx, Comte, Toynbee, Collinwood, positivism. How philosophy

grasped of the notion of civilization during the 20th century, from the point of view of Neo-Kantians, Sprengler, Herder and Toynbee.

4. Spring Semester 2007/08: Paideia: Study Abroad Program, University of Connecticut.

Course:

<u>Ancient Greek Philosophy</u>: Knowledge and sentience in the views of influential thinkers such as Pythagoras, Heraclitus, Parmenides, Leucippus, Democritus, Protagoras, Socrates, Plato, Aristotle. Cynicism: moral integrity as a means towards eudaimonia, inner autonomy as deliverance from the pursuit of wealth and the sensual pleasures. Antisthenes, Diogenes, the Cyrenaics: sensual pleasure as a criterion for eudaimonia, detachment from social and moral convention. Aristippus, Arete, Antipater and the Megaric school on logic, argumentation and reasoning, Euclid, Diodorus, Stilpon, the School of Ilea on philosophy as expiation for the soul, Phaedo, Pleistenus on personal and social flourishing and on divinity.

5. 2012-2015: Adjunct Lecturer. Plato Academy: Programs for University Graduates, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens & Greek Ministry of Education.

Course:

<u>Philosophy of Nature</u>: time, space, mater, causality. Evolutionary stages from antiquity and the Middle Ages to modern views.

6. 5/2017: Lecture on "The reception of Platonic and Aristotelian thought from the Hellenistic period to the Italian Renaissance", Department of Philosophy, Oxford College, Emory University.

The degree with which 15th century philosophy is influenced by ancient Greek thought. In particular, by how much do references to ancient philosophers seem accurate and reproduce the real meaning of their philosophy or whether it is just loose readings that give exaggerated interpretations. Moreover, I intend to identify the approach of ancient Greek philosophy by Renaissance humanists, especially through the texts of neo-platonic philosophers of late antiquity.

7. Visiting Professor, Department of Social Sciences and Philosophy, University of Jyvaskyla (Finland), May-June 2018.

Further Academic Activity

1. Conferences organizer

- Co-organizer of the "International and Interdisciplinary Conference Ioannes and Theodosius Zygomalas", Argos, Greece, 1-4/6/ 2006.

- Co-organizer of the Conference «The 13th International Conference on the History of Science in China & The International Conference on Chinese History of Science and Its Interaction with the Greek Civilization», Organizers: Chinese Society for the History of Science and Technology, The Chinese Academy of Sciences, The Hellenic Open University, Athens 22-27/7/2012.

- Co-organizer of the Conference "Identitätsreflexionen: Griechische Philosophie und Weltanschauung von der 'byzantinischen' Zeit bis zum Hellas der Krise", Department of Philosophy, University of Athens, Griechischer Studentenverein Berlin e.V., Griechische Kulturstiftung (Zweigstelle Berlin), Berlin, 12/6/2013.

- Member of the Organizing Committee, XXIII World Philosophy Congress, FISP, Athens 4-10/8/2013.

- Co-presenter of two documentaries on Renaissance and Enlightenment, TV Station of the Greek Parliament. (<u>http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tPt4y6LnxDM</u>).

- Co-organizer of the Conference «Maximus the Confessor as a European Philosopher». Organizers: Department of Philosophy - University of Athens, Department of Philosophy - Freie Universitat Berlin, Berlin, 26-28/9/2014.

- Co-organizer of the World Congress of Philosophy: "The Philosophy of Aristotle". The International Association of Greek Philosophy, The Greek Philosophical Society and the Philosophical Society of Cyprus, under the Auspices of the International Federation of Philosophical Societies (FISP), School of Philosophy, University of Athens, Athens, 10 - 15 July.

- Co-organizer of the "International Workshop on the Corpus Dionysiacum Aropagiticum and its reception throughout the centuries". Convening Committee: Mark Edwards (Prof. of Early Christian Studies, University of Oxford), Georgios Steiris (Assist. Prof. of Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy, University of Athens), Dimitrios Pallis (DPhil Cand. of Byzantine Philosophy, University of Oxford). University of Oxford, Monday 18 - Wednesday 20 July 2016, Pusey House - St. Cross College, Oxford.

- Co-organizer of the "III Symposium Thomisticum: Aquinas and the Greeks". Convening Committee: F. O' Rourke (UCD), Ioannis Kalogerakos, George Steiris (NKUA), Maria Protopapapa (Academy of Athens), Athens, 7-9/6/2018.

2. Short-term fellowships:

Department of Philosophy, *Boğaziçi University*, Istanbul (1-5/12/2014) and Department of Philosophy and Political Science, *Al-Farabi Kazakh National University*, Almaty Kazakhstan (6-11/4/2015).

3. Reviewer:

- *Research Foundation Flanders* (Fonds Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek Vlaanderen, FWO), Belgium.
 - American Political Science Review. ISSN 0003-0554, Impact Factor 3.933 (2012).

- Student Sessions, Poster Sessions and Environment Committee at the XXIII World Congress of Philosophy (appointed by International Federation of Philosophical Societies). Chair in Sessions of the XXIII World Congress of Philosophy (Athens, 4-10/8/2013).

- Editorial Board and Reviewer "Conatus": http://www.philosophylab.ppp.uoa.gr/conatus.html

- **4.** Inauguration of Prof. Dermot Moran (UCD, President of FISP) as Doctor Honoris Causa of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (26/10/2015).
- 5. Member of the Greek Unit of the UNESCO Chair in Bioethics (Haifa).

Honors

- Fellow of Greek Scholarships Foundation for the academic year 1990-1991.

- Honorary Citizen of Chios following my contribution to the promotion of research in Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy (11/7/2012).

- General Secretary of the Greek Philosophical Society (2015-2016).

- Awarded with the Golden Jubilee Medal "80 years of Al-Farabi Kazakh National University" for my contribution to Al-Farabi's studies (Almaty Kazakhstan, 7/4/2015).

- Honorary presentation of my work in philosophy: 1st Panhellenic Symposium "Argolis: topos of literature". Department of Theatre, University of Peloponnese & Center of Hellenic Studies, Harvard University, Nafplio 17/4/2016.

Professional and Academic Affiliations

- The Society for Renaissance Studies
- Renaissance Society of America
- Medieval Academy of America
- Greek Society for Ethics
- Greek Philosophical Society
- Centre for Spartan and Peloponnesian Studies, University of Nottingham

- Society for Medieval and Renaissance Philosophy
- Société Internationale pour l'Étude de la Philosophie Médiévale

Administrative Tasks

1- Member of the 4-Member Program Committee of the Department of Philosophy, Pedagogy and Psychology: This Committee radically transformed the curriculum of the Department, adapting it to a 3 hour courses and the system of credit points, according to the EU requirements. The Committee continues to monitor the program such as to intervene correctively, and edits the questionnaires designed for the assessment of the scientific and teaching work.

2- Member of the Editorial Committee of the Study Guide of the Department of Philosophy, Pedagogy and Psychology: the 5-member committee supervised the restructuring of the study guide and is responsible for its annual update and publication.

3- Member of the Evaluation Committee of the Department of Philosophy, Pedagogy and Psychology: the 4-member committee wrote the Internal Evaluation Index of the Department of Philosophy, Pedagogy and Psychology and is in charge of its annual update.

4- Campus Supervisor of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens: The Administration is responsible over the cleaning and security of the University Campus at the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens..

5- Member of the three-member examining committee of the operation of competitions for the promotion of undergraduate fellows of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (2011/12).

6- Member of the Curriculum Committee for the Certificate of Pedagogical and Teaching Proficiency.

7- Reviewer for the Kaftatzogleiou Prize Fellowships.

Languages:

- English: Certificate of Proficiency in English
- French: Certificat de Langue Française
- Italian
- Latin
- Ancient Greek