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STUDIES

1996: B.A. Department of History and Archaeology/University of Ioannina (very good)

2000: MA in Medieval Studies/Byzantine History/University of Ioannina (excellent)

2007: Ph.D. in Byzantine History/University of Ioannina (excellent)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY

2006-2007: Research collaborator of the Program Byzantium and the Slavic-Balkan World, Institute for Byzantine Research / NHRF

2007-2011: Assistant Researcher

2011-2014: Associate Researcher

2014-2022: Senior Researcher

2022- : Research Director

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Relations of Byzantium with its northern neighbours
- Byzantine Historiography and barbarians
- History and culture of the early Slavs
- History and culture of the Eurasian nomads
- Central and Southeastern Europe
- Kievan Rus'

RESEARCH AND OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

- Coordinator of the Research Programme *Byzantium and the Balkan-Eurasian World*.
- Scientific Supervisor of the project: *Ethnogenesis and expansion of the early Slavs in the European area (5th-7th c.)*, in the framework of the Collaborative Research Program «ANAVATHMIS» (ΕΠΑΝΕΚ 2014-2020). <https://anavathmis.eu/e-books/#1627533127809-496974ab-8e48>
- Scientific Supervisor of the project: *Gazetteer of military conflicts (1204-1461)*, (ANAVATHMIS-ΕΠΑΝΕΚ 2014-2020). https://anavathmis.eu/2_1_2/?lang=en
- Scientific Supervisor of the project: *Greek-Polish relations* (June 2019-December 2021).
- Research Program KRIPIIS (January 2013-December 2015) – Working Unity: «Institutions Networks»/Project: *Networks of imperial donations. 4th-12th c.* (V. Vlysidou, M. Gerolymatou, G. Kardaras, S. Lampakis, G. Merianos). My participation in the project concerned the gathering of information about the imperial subsidies/donations from 476 to 565 A.D. The Program was supported by the Greek Ministry of Education and Research.
- (Research "Program Institutions, Society, Internal and Foreign Policy of Byzantium") Entries on sources relevant to Late Antiquity, as well as the *barbaricum*, in a data base. (fragments from the historical works of Priscus, Malchus, Menander the Guardsman, Jordanes and Excerpta Valesiana).
- (Research Program "Byzantium and the World of the Slavs and the Balkans"). Participation in the project: *The Danubian limes and its world* (01/10/2006-30/06/2008). The project was part of the "Scientific Excellence" prize Aristeia 2005-2008 (Byzantiou katoptron: Sources and Studies on the Byzantine World). Editor of and two contributions to a collective volume.
- Personal research activity - work titles: a) *The Empire and the Nomads. Image of the other, cultural influences and integration issues (4th-7th c.)*; b) *The Early Slavs (Sclaveni and Antes)*; c) *Morals and customs of the Eurasian nomads, 4th-7th c.*; d) *Byzantium and Northern Neighbors. Historiographical approaches*.
- Section Editor and Copyediting of the journal *Byzantina Symmeikta*.
- Teaching at the Seminar of Historical Science of the IHR (2009-2019), as well as to postgraduate program of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.
- Organization of Lectures for the series Science in Society/NHRF.
- Collaborations with Universities and Research Centers in Greece and abroad, as well as stays abroad as a holder of Research Fellowships (DAAD, RIAS, Latvian State Scholarship, Museum of Polish History, Silesian University in Opava).

MAIN PUBLICATIONS

Monographs

- Ethnogenesis and Expansion of the Early Slavs in the European Area (5th-7th c.). A Research Survey, Athens 2020. (e-book) <https://anavathmis.eu/e-books/#1627533127809-496974ab-8e48>
- Byzantium and the Avars, 6th-9th c. A. D. Political, diplomatic and cultural relations, Brill: Leiden – Boston 2018. Revised translation of the monograph: Το Βυζάντιο και οι Άβαροι, ΣΤ'-Θ' αι. Πολιτικές, διπλωματικές και πολιτισμικές σχέσεις [IHR/NHRF, Monographs 15, Athens 2010.
- The Antes. History and Culture (4th-8th c.). [IHR/NHRF, Monographs 16] Athens 2016, in Greek (the monograph was initially published in electronic form, IIE/EIE [Electronic Monographs 1], Athens 2015) [Codex of the Book in Eudoxus: 68406661]. (<http://ebooks.epublishing.ekt.gr/index.php/ihr/catalog/book/56>)

Editor of Collective Volumes

- Byzantium and Kievan Rus' (882–1240) [NHRF/IIR, BYZANTIUM TODAY 8], Athens 2020 (Greek/English). [Codex of the Book in Eudoxus: 102126264]
- 100 years of Greek-Polish relations. A historical and cultural path, Athens 2019.
- Sophia Patoura-Spanou. The Danubian limes and its world during the Migration Period (4th-7th c.). (IBE/EIE, Ερευνητική Βιβλιοθήκη 6), Athens 2008 (Greek/French). (under preparation: *Greek War of Independence and Polish Philhellenism (1821-1833)*, eds. G. Kardaras, M. Kalinowska, A. Sfoini, M. Kowalska, Athens – Warsaw 2023).

Studies

- The Danube River Between Byzantium and Nomadic Confederations (Huns and Avars). The Dual Role of Barrier and Bridge, στο: *Continuation or change? Borders and frontiers in late antiquity and medieval Europe: landscape of power network, military organisation and commerce*, επιμ.. Gregory Leighton, Piotr Pranke, Łukasz Różycki, New York 2022, 123-142.
- Slaveni and Antes. Some notes on the peculiarities between them, *Slavia Orientalis* 67/3, (2018), 377-393. (Scopus database)
- A re-approach of Procopius' ethnographic account on the early Slavs, *Byzantina Symmeikta* 27 (2017), 239-257. (Scopus database)
- The Byzantine gold and the methods of the Avars, *Vizantiiskii Vremennik* 101 (2017), 114-126. (Web of Science index)