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### **STUDIES** [dates; past to present]

1992: B.A. in History, Department of History and Archaeology, University of Athens.

1995-1998: Scholarship from the Hellenic State Scholarships Foundation for a post graduate course and Ph.D in Byzantine Philology.

1995: Post graduate degree in Greek Palaeography, The Vatican School of Palaeography, Diplomatics and Archival Studies (Città del Vaticano).

2002: Ph.D. in Greek Palaeography, Department of History and Ethnology, University of Thrace.

### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY** [dates; past to present]

1992-2003: Associate at the Institute for Byzantine Research / NHRF.

2002-2003: Palaeography specialist at the Manuscripts Department of the National Library of Greece.

2003-2007: Assistant Researcher at the Institute for Byzantine Research / NHRF.

2007-2013: Associate Researcher at the Institute of Historical Research (Section of Byzantine Research) / NHRF.

2013-2024: Senior Researcher at the Institute of Historical Research (Section of Byzantine Research) / NHRF.

2024 until present: Research Director at the Institute of Historical Research (Section of Byzantine Research) / NHRF.

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

- Greek Palaeography and Codicology. Cataloguing and study of manuscripts, codicological research, history of libraries.
- Archival research. Documentation and study of archival collections from Mount Athos and various monasteries in Greece.

- History of the Greek printed book (15th-19th c.). Cataloguing of the collections of printed books of various libraries in Greece.

## **RESEARCH AND OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES**

### MAIN RESEARCH ACTIVITY

- 2002 until present: Preparation of the edition of the catalogue of the codd. 328-400 of Iviron Monastery, Mount Athos.
- 2002 until present: Preparation of the edition of the catalogue of Greek and Latin incunabula (15th-16th c.) of Iviron Monastery, Mount Athos.
- 2011 until present: Preparation of the edition of the catalogue of the codd. 102-201 of St. John the Theologian Monastery, Patmos.
- 2016: Inventory of manuscripts, documents, archival codices and old printed books of Panachrantos Monastery, Andros.
- 2021: Inventory of manuscripts and old printed books of Tourliani Monastery, Mykonos.
- 2018 until present: (in collaboration with K. Chrysochoidis and E. Mitsiou) Preparation of the edition of the Typikon of Theotokos Eleousa Monastery (cod. Iviron 2345).

### PARTICIPATION IN RESEARCH PROJECTS (SELECTION)

- 2003-2004: Participation in the pan-European research program "Rinascimento Virtuale. Digitale Palimpsestforschung".
- 2004-2006: Participation in the research program "Information Society. Athos Memory. Digitization and documentation of the manuscripts of the library of Simonopetra Monastery".
- 2004-2007: Participation in the research program "Information Society. Digital Treasure of Greek History and Civilization – Pandektis" (NHRF).
- 2010-2014: Participation in the pan-European research program "COMSt – Comparative Oriental Manuscript Studies" of the European Science Foundation.
- 2011-2016: Participation in the research program "National Informatic System for Research and Technology (EPSET). Database "Manuscripts of Patmos" (IHR/NHRF-NDC).
- 2013-2016: Participation in the research program "Kripis. Kyrtou Plegmata – Web of Networks. Networks of economy, power and knowledge in the Greek World from prehistorical years until the modern ages" (IHR/NHRF).
- 2016: Participation in the research program "Athonite Digital Ark" (Holy Community of Mount Athos).

- 2016-2021: Participation in the research program "Anavathmis. Development of Historical Research; Studies and digital applications" (IHR/NHRF).
- 2023 until present: Participation in the research program "DIGITESC TED2021-130178B-I00. Digitization, Description and Online Access to the Greek manuscript collection of El Escorial" (CSIC-Spanish National Research Council και Patrimonio Nacional / Real Biblioteca del Monasterio de San Lorenzo de El Escorial).

#### OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

- 2011: Co-organizer of the workshop "Specific Issues in Oriental Philology", Athens, 8-9 December 2011 (Pan-European research program "Comparative Oriental Manuscript Studies").
- 2013: Co-organizer of the workshop "Towards a Final Version of the Chapter on Cataloguing", Athens, 6-7 June 2013 (Pan-European research program "Comparative Oriental Manuscript Studies").
- 2013: Member of the organizing committee of the 8th International Scientific Conference of the Mount Athos Center «Mount Athos and Scholarship», Thessaloniki, 22-24 November 2013.
- 2019-2020: Participation in the organizing committee of the International Digital Conference "Orthodox and Latin Monasticism in the Eastern Mediterranean, 13th-16th c." (IHR/NHRF, 1-2 October 2020).
- 2022 until present: Member of the scientific board of the journal *Scripta. An International Journal of Codicology and Palaeography*.
- 2010 until present: Member of the organizing committee of the annual "Historical Sciences Seminar" organized by the Section of Byzantine Research, IHR/NHRF.
- 2016-2018 and 2022 until present: Member of the IHR/NHRF Scientific Council.

#### TEACHING ACTIVITY (SELECTION)

- 2002 until present: Teaching Greek Palaeography at the annual "Historical Sciences Seminar" of the IHR/NHRF.
- 2016 and 2017: Organizer of the "Summer School on Greek Palaeography and Byzantine Epigraphy" I and II of IHR/NHRF (Monastery of Saint John the Theologian, Patmos).
- 2021: Teaching Greek Palaeography at the Theological School of the Church of Cyprus.
- 2022-2023: Teaching (together with A. Tselikas) Greek Palaeography and Codicology at the Seminar of the Papyrology and Palaeography Laboratory of the Democritus University of Thrace (Training and Lifelong Learning Center of Democritus University of Thrace).

- 2023 until present: Teaching (together with prof. Th. Antonopoulou) Greek Palaeography at the Interinstitutional Postgraduate Studies Program "Ancient Greek Scripture: Writing Materials and Content" of the Department of Greek Philology of the Democritus University of Thrace and the Faculty of Philology of the University of Athens.

### MAIN PUBLICATIONS [Present to past]

- "Testi di Angelo Lollino e Massimo Margunio reperiti sul Monte Athos", in: *Φιλόδωρος ευμενείας. Miscellanea di studi in ricordo di Mons. Paul Canart* (a cura di Marco D'Agostino e Luca Pieralli), *Littera Antiqua* 21, Città del Vaticano, Scuola Vaticana di Paleografia, Diplomatica e Archivistica 2021, 413-432.
- "Restauro e rilegatura di manoscritti nel monastero di Patmos durante il periodo post-bizantino. Primi approcci", in: *Le livre manuscrit grec: Écritures, matériaux, histoire. Actes du IX<sup>e</sup> Colloque international de Paléographie grecque, Paris, 10-15 septembre 2018* (édités par Marie Cronier, Brigitte Mondrain), *Travaux et Mémoires* 24/1, Paris 2020, 575-611.
- "Attività scrittoria presso il monastero atonita del Pantocrator durante i primi decenni dalla sua fondazione (seconda metà del sec. XIV)", in: *Griechisch-byzantinische Handschriften-forschung. Traditionen, Entwicklungen, neue Wege*, (hrsg. Christian Brockmann, Daniel Deckers, Dieter Harlfinger, Stefano Valente), Berlin-Boston, De Gruyter 2020, Band 1, 233-247· Band 2, 779-788.
- "Monsieur le Ministre, je fais un catalogue de la bibliothèque de chaque couvent: Minas Minoidis and the First Effort to Produce Systematic Catalogues of the Libraries of Mount Athos", in: *Bibliothèques grecques dans l'Empire ottoman* (édité par André Binggeli, Matthieu Cassin et Marina Détoraki avec la collaboration d'Anna Lampadaridi), *Bibliologia* 54, Turnhout, Brepols 2020, 399-410.
- «Ένας βυζαντινός κατάλογος χειρογράφων στη Μονή της Πάτμου ελάχιστα γνωστός» [A little-known Byzantine catalogue of manuscripts from the Monastery of Patmos], in: *Λόγιοι και Λογιοσύνη στο Βυζάντιο. Επιστημονικό Συμπόσιο προς τιμήν του καθηγητή Κώστα Ν. Κωνσταντινίδη, Πανεπιστήμιο Ιωαννίνων, 26 Οκτωβρίου 2016* (edited by P. G. Antonopoulos, E.A. Giarenis, D.K. Agoritsas), Thessaloniki 2019, 47- 75, 243-249.
- *Κατάλογος των παλαιών εντύπων της Δημοτικής Βιβλιοθήκης Τυρνάβου* [Catalogue of the Old Printed Books of the Tyrnavos Municipal Library], *Tetradia Ergasias* 36, Athens, IHR/SNR 2016.
- "Une planche à régler (mastara) retrouvée dans la reliure d'un livre imprimé", *Scripta* 7 (2014), 185-192.

- «Η βιβλιοθήκη της Μονής Παντοκράτορος κατά τον 15ο αιώνα. Περιεχόμενο, προσκτήσεις, απώλειες» [The library of the Pantokrator Monastery during the 15th century. Content, acquisitions, losses], in: *Αγιορειτική Εστία. Στ' Διεθνές επιστημονικό συνέδριο «Το Άγιον Όρος στον 15ο και 16ο αιώνα», Θεσσαλονίκη, 25-27 Νοεμβρίου 2011. Πρακτικά συνεδρίου*, Thessaloniki 2012, 289-309.
- *Αρχείο της Ι. Μ. Εσφιγμένου. Επιτομές μεταβυζαντινών εγγράφων* [Archives of the Monastery of Esphigmenou. Summaries of Post-Byzantine Documents], *Athonika Symmeikta* 11, Athens, IBR 2008.
- *Κατάλογος των κωδίκων της Δημοτικής Βιβλιοθήκης Τυρνάβου* [Catalogue of Manuscripts of the Tyrnavos Municipal Library], *Sources* 8, Athens, IBR 2007.