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### **STUDIES**

- Diploma of the Faculty of Philosophy (Department of Archeology and Art)
- 1976-1980: Post-Graduate Studies at the University of Bucharest - Faculty of History and Archeology (Scholarship from the Greek Government-Ministry of Foreign Affairs)
- 1980: Ph. D., Faculty of History and Archeology, University of Bucharest

### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY**

- 1980-1981: Greek language and History Teacher at High School
- 1981-1992: Research Assistant at the Institute for Byzantine Research / NHRF
- 1992-2000: Research Associate at the Institute for Byzantine Research / NHRF
- 2000-2007: Senior Researcher at the Institute for Byzantine Research / NHRF
- 2007- : Research Director at the Institute for Byzantine Research / NHRF

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

- Byzantine History-Data Bank
- Byzantium and the World of the Slavs and the Balkans
- Foreign Policy, Diplomacy, Ideology (Late Antiquity, Early and Middle Byzantine Period)
- Byzantium and the Arabs

### **RESEARCH AND OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES**

- Participation in National and International Congresses/Conferences/Workshops/Lectures/Scientific manifestations

- Articles and book-reviews in popular reviews and newspapers
- Lemmata in Encyclopaedia and Lexica

### MAIN PUBLICATIONS

- The hostages from the Antiquity to the End of Byzantium in the Greek Sources: a concise description, in the *Spyros Troianos' Honorary Volume*, University of Athens, Section of History and Theory of Law, Athens 2013
- The prisoners and the "civilizing" of the war: the example of the arab-byzantine relations, Proceedings of the International Symposium, *Byzantium and the Arab World: Encounter of Civilisations* (University of Thessalonike 16-18 December 2011), Thessalonike 2013
- The Byzantine court and the arab caliphate: mutual attempts at rapprochement at the peak of the arab-byzantine struggle (9th-10th c.), in *Arabia, Greece and Byzantium: Cultural Contacts in Ancient and Medieval Times*, vol. II [proceedings of the International Symposium on the *Historical Relations between Arabia the Greek and Byzantine World (5th century BC - 10th century AD)*, Riyadh, 6-10 December, 2010), King Saud University, Riyadh 2012, 241-248.
- Arab and Byzantine Prisoners in the Reign of Leo VI the Wise: Images from Contemporary Byzantine Sources, *Graeco-arabica* 11 (2011), σελ. 399- 413.
- Christianity and Globality in Early Byzantium, From Theory to Practice, Athens 2008 (monograph)
- The Danubian Limes and Its World during the Migration Period (4th-7th c.), Athens 2008 (monograph)
- Les invasions dans les Balkans pendant les IVE-Vie siecles, in the volume. *Pour une Grande Histoire des Balkans: des Origines aux Guerres Balkaniques*, Association International d' Etudes Sud-Est Europeen, Paris 2005, pp. 115-145.
- Diplomacy and Politics: Historical approach, Athens 2005 (editing)
- The Greek Script in the 15th and 16th Centuries, Athens 2000 (editing)
- The Prisoners of War as agents of Communication and Information (4th-10th c.), Athens 1994 (monograph)