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### **STUDIES**

1981: Degree from the Department of History, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Crete  
1984-1990: Post-graduate seminars at the Institute for Byzantine Research and the University of Athens  
1990: PhD, Faculty of Philosophy, University of Ioannina

### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY**

1981-1994: Research collaborator attached to the Institute for Byzantine Research / National Hellenic Research Foundation  
1994-1998: Assistant Researcher at the IBR / NHRF  
1998-2002: Associate Researcher at the IBR / NHRF  
2002-2008: Senior Researcher at the IBR / NHRF  
2009-2023: Research Director at the Institute for Historical Research, Department for Byzantine Research / NHRF

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

- History of the middle Byzantine period, with an emphasis on the oppositional tendencies to central power (9th-11th centuries)
- State-Church relations (9th-11th centuries)
- Byzantium's relations with the West (6th-11th centuries).
- Byzantine prosopography.

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

- Member of the Program "Institutions, Society, Internal and Foreign Policy of Byzantium" (formerly "Byzantine History Data Bank") [1981-2018] – Responsible for the materials concerning the Middle Byzantine Period in the Data Base of the Program – Member of the Research Area "The Byzantine Empire: Institutions, Society, Economy" (2019–)
- Contributions in major collective volumes
- Contributions in international conferences and participation in various academic events
- Teaching in the seminars of the University of Athens and of the Department of Byzantine Research
- Supervision of graduate students
- Membership in academic societies
- Elected member of the Scientific Committee of the Institute of Historical Research, 2016-2020
- Writing up of the monograph: "The Peasant Emperor: Basil I, Ruler of Byzantium"

### **MAIN PUBLICATIONS**

2 monographs, 4 books in collaboration, 2 edited volumes and 60 publications in refereed and other scientific journals, collective volumes, conference proceedings, dictionaries and encyclopaedias.

Monographs

- *Byzantine aristocratic families and state power in the 9th-10th century. Studies on the encounter between the so-called Armeno-paphlagonian and the Cappadocian aristocracy*, Thessalonike 2001 (in Greek).
- *Foreign Policy and Domestic Reaction under Basil I; an Investigation on Byzantine Oppositional Tendencies in the Years 867-886* [Historical Monographs 8], Athens 1991 (in Greek).

Book contributions – Articles (selected)

- Les Maléinoi dans le cadre de l'aristocratie méso-byzantine, *ZRVI* 60 (2023) 9-28.
- Génésios: l'historien insubordonné de la cour de Constantin VII Porphyrogénète, in: V. Vlyssidou (ed.), *Byzantine Authors and their Times* [NHRF/IHR – Research Series 8], Athens 2021, 159-177.
- Aristocracy and Power (867-944), T. C. Lounghis (ed.), *Byzantium: History and Culture*, vol. VI, Athens 2019, 265-311 and 365-380 (in Greek).

- Le penchant politique de Basile Lakapènos pour l’Athos et le rétablissement des relations de Basile II avec le monastère de Stoudios en 985/986, *Byzantina Symmeikta* 26 (2016) 127-139.
- Les relations entre l’ancienne et la nouvelle Rome sous Basile II et l’intronisation d’Alexis Stoudite, *Byzantina Symmeikta* 24 (2014) 293-311.
- Church and Politics in the beginning of the Reign of Basil II: the Abdication of Patriarch Anthony III Studites, in: *ANTECESSOR . Festschrift für Spyros N. Troianos zum 80. Geburtstag*, Athens 2013, 187-196 (in Greek).
- The Retreat from Sicily and the Domination over Southern Italy (756-976), in: *Byzantine Armies in the West (5th-11thc.)* [IBR / NHRF – Research Series 5], Athens 2008, 263-392 (in Greek).
- Byzantine Diplomacy and the Papacy (800-1054): Alternating Movements of Interest and Indifference, Attraction and Repulsion, in: *Byzantine Diplomacy. A Seminar*, Athens 2007, 121-163.