



Hellenic Society Prometheas

(Celebrating 40 years, 1978-2018)

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Newsletter

May 2018

Prometheas Events

No events are scheduled by Prometheas in May due to many other events already scheduled.

Saturday, April 21, 2018

Hellenic Center -- HS Prometheas

How can you tell a real Greek?

On Saturday, April 21, 2018, over 70 members of the Hellenic Society Prometheas attended the very informative lecture of Prof. Maria Kountoura at the Hellenic Center in Bethesda, Maryland. Prof. Kountoura is the Chair of the Department of Writing, Literature, and Publishing at Emerson College in Boston. Prof. Kountoura's lecture, entitled: "How can you tell a real Greek?", explored the travel narratives of the renowned 18th century writer Lady Mary Wortley Montagu as they were published in the "Embassy Letters". Lady Montagu was the wife of the first English Ambassador to the Ottoman Court in Constantinople. Montagu's works have been used by scholars in many disciplines for their comments on politics, diplomacy, music, health, art, medical history and social history. Prof. Kountoura analyzed the "realism" inferred by Lady Montagu's accounts of fictional Greece as she helped shape not only what other travelers took to be the reality of Greece of that time, but also what Greeks themselves took to be their own reality of their own country at that time. A lovely reception followed this eye-opening lecture.

Other Events and Announcements

- ***Thursday, May 3, 2018 from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM: "Archaeological Site of Philippi: A Landmark of European Heritage"*** at the Greek Embassy
(<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/archaeological-site-of-philippi-a-landmark-of-european-heritage-tickets-45350966963>)

- **May 4-6: St. George Bethesda Greek Festival** (<https://stgeorge.org/festival/>)
- **May 5, 3:00 - 7:00 pm**, the University of Maryland, Department of Classics/Modern Greek Program organizes a mini-conference on "*Cavafy and the Greek World*". Faculty and students of Modern Greek Studies will present papers discussing Cavafy's poetry (see flyer for more details).
- **Saturday, May 12, 6:00PM: "The battle of Crete"** organized by the Cretan Association of Greater DC at the Hellenic Center, Bethesda, MD (see flyer)
- **Saturday, May 26, 8:00-10:00 pm: "The songs of Hadjidakis and Theodorakis: A tribute to Greek musical heritage"** at Georgetown University (see: <https://allevents.in/washington/the-songs-of-hadjidakis-and-theodorakis-a-tribute-to-greek-musical-heritage/1000045048620637>)

In Memoriam: George Goudouvas (72) deceased April 18 in Easter Shore. George was a Greek School teacher and director of the Greek School of St. Sophia Cathedral for many years. His wife Theodosia deceased only three months earlier. George was member of Prometheas. May his memory be eternal.

Websites of the month

- **Video/Greek Independence Day Celebration organized by The Hellenic Society Prometheas:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=j09sp4SSzB0&feature=youtu.be>
- **Ηττα για τη χώρα, η παραίτηση του κορυφαίου Έλληνα αστροφυσικού:** <http://www.kathimerini.gr/960978/article/epikairothta/ellada/amesh-analyshtta-gia-th-xwra-h-paraitsh-toy-koryfaioy-ellhna-astrofysikoy>
- **Η αλήθεια του Σταμάτη Κριμιζή:** <http://www.protagon.gr/apopseis/editorial/44341609074-44341609074>
- **Χάσαμε το ήθος και οδηγήθηκαμε στην οικονομική καταστροφή:** <http://specials.newpost.gr/krimizas>
- **Για πρώτη φορά ο πρέσβης των ΗΠΑ τοποθετεί απέναντι ως εχθρό την Τουρκία: «Θα τους αντιμετωπίσουμε μαζί»:** <https://www.pentapostagma.gr/2018/03/ektakto-%CE%B3%CE%B9%CE%B1-%CF%80%CF%81%CF%8E%CF%84%CE%B7-%CF%86%CE%BF%CF%81%CE%AC-%CE%BF-%CF%80%CF%81%CE%AD%CF%83%CE%B2%CE%B7%CF%82-%CF%84%CF%89%CE%BD-%CE%B7%CF%80%CE%B1-%CF%84%CE%BF%CF%80%CE%BF.html>
- **Could venture capitalists offer Greece's young talent a way to return home?** <http://www.bbc.com/capital/story/20180404-one-answer-to-solving-greeces-brain-drain>

- *Tiny Islands Make for Big Tensions Between Greece and Turkey:*
https://www.nytimes.com/2018/04/21/world/europe/greece-turkey-islands.html?emc=edit_th_180422&nl=todaysheadlines&nid=377931710422
- *900.000 δολάρια από ομογενείς της Αστόρια με αποδέκτη τη Χίο!*
http://www.pronews.gr/koinonia/681911_900000-dolaria-apo-omogeneis-tis-astoria-me-apodekti-ti-hio-eyharistise-o-dimarhos
- *Μια πολυτελής βίλα στο Αμύνταιο:*
<http://www.kathimerini.gr/952836/gallery/politismos/eikastika/mia-polytelhs-vila-sto-amynnaio>
- *Το "Μουσείον της Πόλεως των Αθηνών – Ίδρυμα Βούρου-Ενταξία":*
<http://www.athenscitymuseum.gr/>
- *Augmented Mental Health αλά ελληνικά:*
<http://www.naftemporiki.gr/finance/story/1325251/augmented-mental-health-ala-ellinika>
- *Ομογενείς: «Είμαστε περήφανοι, γιατί είμαστε Έλληνες»:*
<https://www.pentapostagma.gr/2018/03/%CE%BF%CE%BC%CE%BF%CE%B3%CE%B5%CE%BD%CE%B5%CE%AF%CF%82-%CE%B5%CE%AF%CE%BC%CE%B1%CF%83%CF%84%CE%B5-%CF%80%CE%B5%CF%81%CE%AE%CF%86%CE%B1%CE%BD%CE%BF%CE%B9-%CE%B3%CE%B9%CE%B1%CF%84%CE%AF-%CE%B5.html>
- *Ο καρδιοχειρουργός Στρατής Παττακός έχει κάνει 20.000 επεμβάσεις:*
http://www.lifo.gr/articles/science_articles/187588/o-kardioxeiroyrgos-stratis-pattakos-exei-kanei-20-000-epemvaseis
- *Οι Κρητικοί υπερασπιστές της Κωνσταντινούπολης (29 Μαΐου 1453):*
<http://rethemnosnews.gr/2017/05/%CE%BF%CE%B9-%CE%BA%CF%81%CE%B7%CF%84%CE%B9%CE%BA%CE%BF%CE%AF-%CF%85%CF%80%CE%B5%CF%81%CE%B1%CF%83%CF%80%CE%B9%CF%83%CF%84%CE%AD%CF%82-%CF%84%CE%B7%CF%82-%CE%BA%CF%89%CE%BD%CF%83%CF%84%CE%B1%CE%BD/>
- *Οι Ίωνες διανοητές:* <https://pontosandaristera.wordpress.com/2018/03/14/ionia/>
- *Ελλάδα (1954-1965), Χρόνια Αθωότητας - Greece , Years of innocence:*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hMVnjG9vxFQ>
- *Τα άλογα της Χίου:* <http://www.politischios.gr/koinonia/ta-aloga-tis-hioy>

- *Asia Minor, Iolia, Ionia, Frygia, Karya, Lycia, Pamfylia:*
<https://dimitrastasiniopoulou.smugmug.com/ASIA-MINOR-Ionia-Karya-Lycia/i-9J5fnhc>
- *Monuments of Constantinople:* <http://www.thebyzantinelegacy.com/monuments>
- *In All of Nazi Occupied Europe, Only Archbishop Damaskinos Stood up to Nazi Persecution of Jews Publicly:* <http://www.pappaspost.com/in-all-of-nazi-occupied-europe-only-archbishop-damaskinos-stood-up-to-nazi-persecution-of-jews-publicly/>

Books and Music

- " **How Democracies Die**" by Steven Levitsky and Daniel Ziblant reviewed by *Αχιλλέας Παπαρσένος: Δολοφονώντας τη δημοκρατία με τα ίδια της τα «όπλα»:*
<http://www.kathimerini.gr/953926/article/politismos/vivlio/dolofonwntas-th-dhmokratia-me-ta-idia-ths-ta-opla>

News – Articles

Professor Pinelopi Koujianou Goldberg is the new World Bank Group Chief Economist

Dear Colleagues,

To follow up on the March 7, 2018 kiosk announcing the launch of our search for a Chief Economist, I'm delighted to appoint Pinelopi "Penny" Koujianou Goldberg in this critical role.

Penny, a Greek and US national, is a leading applied microeconomist who is widely cited for her research on developing countries – including the impacts of trade on inequality; the effects of trade on firm productivity, profits, and innovation; and enforcement of intellectual property rights. Penny will strengthen the Bank Group's connection to state-of-the-art academic research and help shape a vision of how to achieve our goals of sustainable growth, shared prosperity, and a world free of extreme poverty.

Penny has had an illustrious career in academia, holding several leadership roles in the economic community and receiving numerous awards and fellowships. She is currently Elihu Professor of Economics at Yale University and has previously been on the economics faculty at Princeton and Columbia. She is Vice-President of the American Economic Association and a member of the Executive Committee of the Econometric Society. She is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, a recipient of both Guggenheim Memorial Foundation and Sloan Research Fellowships, and recipient of the Bodossaki Prize in Social Sciences. She is also a research

associate at the National Bureau of Economics Research (NBER) and board member of the Bureau of Research and Economic Analysis of Development (BREAD).

From 2011-2017, as Editor-in-Chief of the American Economic Review, the flagship journal of the American Economic Association, Penny worked with some of the world's leading economists in nearly every field, and oversaw the process to bring their scholarly work to the public. This will be an enormous asset as we apply new ideas to reach our goals and communicate about our work around the world.

As Chief Economist, Penny will support me and the Senior Management Team in leading the institution, and I believe she will inspire the development profession during this time of transformative change. She eschews the "one-size-fits-all" approach and argues for evidence-based combinations of strategies to create the conditions required for sustainable development. The goal is to simultaneously invest in human capital, leverage technological change, partner with the private sector through knowledge and risk sharing, align incentives with local governments and promote policies to curb corruption, improve governance and promote openness.

Penny was selected for this position through the World Bank Group-wide competitive managerial selection process. We will announce her start date shortly.

*Jim Yong Kim
President
World Bank Group*