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Annual International Conference on Classical and Byzantine Studies, 4-7 June 2018, Athens, Greece

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the [Athens Journal of Mediterranean Studies](#) and the [Athens Journal of Architecture](#)**

Conference Venue: Titania Hotel, 52 Panepistimiou Avenue, Athens, Greece (close to metro station *Panepistimio*)

Monday 4 June 2018

08:00-08:45 Registration and Refreshments

08:45-09:30 Welcome and Opening Address (Room A - Mezzanine Floor)

Gregory T. Papanikos, President, ATINER.

Nicholas Pappas, Vice President of Academic Membership, ATINER & Professor of History, Sam Houston University, USA.

09:30-11:00 Session I (Room B - 10th Floor): Art & Architecture in Antiquity & Byzantium*

Chair: Tatiana Tsakiropoulou-Summers, Director, Athens Center for Classical & Byzantine Studies (ACCBS) & Associate Professor, The University of Alabama, USA.

1. Mark Fullerton, Professor, The Ohio State University, USA. Archaism, Ontology and Autochthony on the Post-Periklean Akropolis.
2. Valeria Riedemann Lorca, Associate Researcher / Visiting Scholar, University of Oxford / University of Washington, UK / USA. The Amazonomachy on Funerary Naisloi from Attican and Taranto.
3. (Linda) Louise McReynolds, Cary C. Boshamer Distinguished Professor, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA. Imperial Russia's Archaeologists Recurate Byzantium.

**This session is jointly offered with Literature Unit*

11:00-12:30 Session II (Room B - 10th Floor): Christianity in the late Roman & Byzantine Empires*

Chair: Valeria Riedemann Lorca, Associate Researcher / Visiting Scholar, University of Oxford / University of Washington, UK / USA.

1. Mohammed Al-Nasarat, Head of the Department of History and Geography, Al-Hussein Bin Talal University, Jordan. Churches-Building and the Changeover from Paganism to Christianity in Late Antique Petra and its Hinterland during the Period from A.D. 312 to 565.
2. Stephen Bay, Associate Professor, Brigham Young University, USA. Certain Byzantine Martyrdom Texts as Anti-Iconoclastic Propaganda. (BYZREL)
3. Anna Lampadaridi, Newton International Fellow, Maison Française d'Oxford / Trinity College (Oxford) / UMR Orient et Méditerranée, UK / France. Christianising Sicily: The Life of Pancras of Taormina.

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12:30-14:00 Session III (Room B - 10th Floor): Theatre in Antiquity*

Chair: Stephen Bay, Associate Professor, Brigham Young University, USA.

1. Krystyna Tuszynska, Professor, Adam Mickiewicz University in Poznań, Poland. Aristotelian Definition of Tragedy and its Definition by Gorgias in the Light of the Relationship between the Drama-Play Writer and the Spectator.
2. Kalliopi Nikolopoulou, Associate Professor, University at Buffalo, USA. Hunting for Justice: Reflections on the Oresteia.

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14:00-15:00 Lunch

15:00-16:30 Session IV (Room A - Mezzanine Floor): Genres*

Chair: Paola Partenza, Associate Professor, Università degli Studi "G. d'Annunzio" Chieti – Pescara, Italy.

1. Ibrahim El-Hussari, Professor, Lebanese American University, Lebanon. Jabra Ibrahim Jabra's In Search of Walid Masoud: A Polyphonic Opus of (Un)Orchestrated Confessions.
2. Ahsan Ur Rehman, Professor, Mohi-ud-Din Islamic University, Pakistan. Presentation of an Objective Analysis of Mystery Letters.
3. Luis Mario Reyes Perez Silva, Chief Editor, Libertimento, Mexico. Internet and Fanfiction: The Discovery of the Hiperwriter.
4. Mujizah Abdillah, Researcher, National Agency of Language Development and Construction, Ministry of Education and Culture of Indonesia, Indonesia. Representation of Pluralism in Literary History from Riau Island, Indonesia.

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16:30-18:30 Session V (Room A - Mezzanine Floor): ATINER's 2018 Series of Academic Dialogues: A Symposium Discussion on *Teaching Arts & Humanities in a Global World*

Chair: Nicholas Pappas, Vice President of Academic Membership, ATINER & Professor of History, Sam Houston University, USA.

1. Stamos Metzidakis, Head, Literature Unit, ATINER & Emeritus Professor of French and Comparative Literature, Washington University in Saint Louis, USA. Teaching, Publishing, Perishing in American Universities.
2. Tatiana Tsakiropoulou-Summers, Director, Athens Center for Classical & Byzantine Studies (ACCBS) & Associate Professor, The University of Alabama, USA. Technology vs Humanities: Solving Problems & Problematizing Solutions.
3. Ibrahim El-Hussari, Professor, Lebanese American University, Lebanon. Creative Writing: A Threshold for Publishable Material.
4. Petr Chalupsky, Associate Professor & Head of the Department of English Language and Literature Faculty of Education, Charles University, Czech Republic. Teaching English: The Case of Charles University.
5. Paola Partenza, Associate Professor, University degli Studi "G. d'Annunzio" Chieti – Pescara, Italy. The Crisis of Humanities and Literature Teaching Strategies: The Case of Italy.

21:00-23:00 Greek Night and Dinner

Tuesday 5 June 2018

07:45-11:00 Session VI: An Educational Urban Walk in Modern and Ancient Athens

Chair: Gregory A. Katsas, Vice President of Academic Affairs, ATINER & Associate Professor, The American College of Greece-Deree College, Greece.

Group Discussion on Ancient and Modern Athens.

Visit to the Most Important Historical and Cultural Monuments of the City (be prepared to walk and talk as in the ancient peripatetic school of Aristotle)

11:15-13:00 Session VII (Room A - Mezzanine Floor): Homer*

Chair: Sarah Gordon, Associate Professor, Utah State University, USA.

1. Tsui-fen Jiang, Professor, National Chengchi University, Taiwan. Odysseus: Home and Adaptability in the Making of a New Greek Hero.
2. Cecilia Peek, Associate Professor, Brigham Young University, USA. The Heroic Ideal and Homeric Elements in Goethe's Faust.
3. Sanja Knezevic, Assistant Professor, University of Zadar, Croatia. Odysseus Myth in the Contemporary Croatian Poetry.

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13:00-14:00 Lunch

14:00-15:30 Session VIII (Room A - Mezzanine Floor): Comparative Readings

Chair: Cecilia Peek, Associate Professor, Brigham Young University, USA.

1. Brenda Cappuccio, Associate Professor, Florida State University, USA. Victim, Witness, Writer: Luis Martín-Santos and Tiempo de Silencio.
2. Alexia Georgakopoulos, Associate Professor, Nova Southeastern University, USA. Literature is Powerful: Teaching Youth Peace and Conflict Resolution in Literature.
3. Maria Cristina Kuntz, Researcher, FFLCH-University of Sao Paulo (USP), Brazil. Intertextual Relations in Marguerite Dura's Emily L.

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15:30-17:00 Session IX (Room A - Mezzanine Floor): Societal Developments in the Middle Ages*

Chair: Brenda Cappuccio, Associate Professor, Florida State University, USA.

1. Sarah Gordon, Associate Professor, Utah State University, USA. Physicians and Patients in Medieval Literature.
2. Nicholas Pappas, Vice President of Academic Membership, ATINER & Professor of History, Sam Houston University, USA. "Rome apres Rome: Byzantium from Empire to Common Wealth".

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17:00-18:00 Session X (Room A - Mezzanine Floor): Special Issues

Chair: Aleksandra Tryniecka, PhD Student, Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, Poland.

1. Fernando Valerio-Holguin, Professor, Colorado State University, USA. Axolotl: Culinary Metaphor and Cultural Metamorphosis.
2. Petr Chalupsky, Head, Department of English Language and Literature & Associate Professor, Charles University, Czech Republic. The Imaginary Landscapes of Jim Crace's Continent.

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20:00- 21:30 Dinner

**Wednesday 6 June 2018
Mycenae and Island of Poros Visit
Educational Island Tour**

**Thursday 7 June 2018
Delphi Visit**

**Friday 8 June 2018
Ancient Corinth and Cape Sounion**

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1. Gregory T. Papanikos, President, ATINER.
2. Nicholas Pappas, Vice President of Academic Membership, ATINER & Professor of History, Sam Houston University, USA.
3. Tatiana Tsakiropoulou-Summers, Director, Athens Center for Classical & Byzantine Studies (ACCBS) & Associate Professor, The University of Alabama, USA.
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11. Aleksandra Tryniecka, PhD Student, Maria Curie-Skłodowska University, Poland.

The Organizing Committee of the conference was:

1. Fani Balaska, Research Assistant, ATINER.
2. Olga Gkounta, Researcher, ATINER.
3. Hannah Howard, Research Assistant, ATINER.
4. Eirini Lentzou, Administrative Assistant, ATINER.
5. Konstantinos Manolidis, Administrator, ATINER.
6. Vassilis Skianis, Research Associate, ATINER.
7. Kostas Spyropoulos, Administrator, ATINER.