### 12ᵗʰ Annual International Conference on Mediterranean Studies, 15-18 April 2019, Athens, Greece

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

**Monday 15 April 2019**

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<td>Steven Forti, Researcher / Lecturer, Universidade Nova de Lisboa / Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Portugal / Spain. Italy, Promised Land of Populism? From Berlusconi and Bossi to Grillo and Salvini.</td>
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14:00-15:00 Lunch
### Session IV: Politics II

**Chair:** Jayoung Che, Visiting Professor, Hankuk University of Foreign Studies, South Korea.

2. Fanny Christou, Research Fellow, Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Lund University, Sweden. Plural Mobilisations of Palestinians in Sweden and Their Multiple Diasporas.
3. Imanol Ortega, Researcher, Antonio de Nebrija University, Spain. New/Old Turkey: From Defective Democracy to Electoral/Competitive Authoritarianism.
4. Paul Rowe, Professor, Trinity Western University, Canada. An Ascetic Polity? The Political Role of the Monastery in the Middle Eastern Church.
6. Maria Rosaria D’Acicerno, Associate Professor, University of Naples Federico II, Italy. The Religions of the Book and the Word Charity in an Interfaith Dialogue.

### Session V: Tourism

**Chair:** Valia Kasimati, Head, Tourism Unit, ATINER & Researcher, Department of Economic Analysis & Research, Central Bank of Greece, Greece.

2. Joao Paulo Bata, Adjunct Professor, Polytechnic Institute of Setubal, Portugal. National Cultural Constructs and Consumer Socialization Effects on Adolescent’s Influence on Family Vacation Decisions.
3. David Jorge Garcia, PhD Student, Polytechnic University of Valencia, Spain & Vicente Estruch Guitart, Professor, Polytechnic University of Valencia, Spain. Comparison between the Social and the Professional Point of View in Terms of the Economic Valuation of the Albufera Natural Park in Valencia (Spain) by Using the Analytic Multicriteria Valuation Method.

### Session VI: Social, Education, Arts & Culture

**Chair:** Eyal Zisser, Professor, Tel Aviv University, Israel.

1. Alessandra Gargiulo Labriola, Professor, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Italy. The Contribution of the Kayros Community to the Education of the Young to Health, Wellness and Social Inclusion.
2. Bogdan Mihai Dascalu-Romitan, Associate Professor, Romanian Academy, Timisoara, Romania. The Philippides: A Greek-Romanian Cultural Dynasty.
3. Ahmed Kadiri Hassani Yamani, Assistant Professor, Cadi Ayyad University, Morocco. Intergenerational Perceptions of Gender and Premarital Sexuality in Morocco: Rabat as a Case Study.
4. Roberta Cruciani, Lecturer, University of Palermo, Italy. The Circulation of Alabaster Copies of the Madonna of Trapani in the Mediterranean Area.
5. Ana Maria Dascalu-Romitan, Assistant Lecturer, Politehnica University Timisoara, Romania. Approaches to the Teaching of Translation and Cultural Studies in Classes for German as a Foreign Language.
7. Sara Carmel, Head, The Center for Multidisciplinary Research in Aging, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel. Are Depression and Will to Live Two Sides of the Same Coin?

### Greek Night and Dinner

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Tuesday 16 April 2019

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

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)

11:00-13:00 Session VIII: Politics III

Chair: Paul Rowe, Professor, Trinity Western University, Canada.

2. Enver Gulseven, Lecturer, Girne American University, Cyprus. Identity Contestations in the Turkish Cypriot Community and the Peace Process in Cyprus.
3. Mihalis Kuyucu, Associate Professor, Istanbul Aydin University, Turkey. The History of Music Distribution and Its Effects to Audience in the Sample of Turkey.
4. Iman Hamdy, Editor of Cairo Papers in Social Science and Adjunct Assistant Professor, The American University in Cairo, Egypt. Religion and State in Egypt and State in Egypt and Israel.
5. Yehudith Kahn, Lecturer, Hadassah Academic College, Israel. Transforming Regions of Conflict through Trade Preferential Agreements: Israel, Egypt and the QIZ Initiative.

13:00-14:30 Session IX: Heritage

Chair: Utku Özer, Research Fellow, ATINER.

2. Giuseppe Restifo, Independent Scholar, Italy. Mountains of the Mediterranean Sea.
4. Christian Mifsud, Manager Policy, Planning and Research, Valletta World Heritage Management Unit (Heritage Malta), Malta. 3D Computer Simulation as a Method for Studying City Transformations.

14:30-15:30 Lunch

15:30-17:30 Session X: Business-Economics & Other Essays

Chair: Elina Gugliuzzo, Researcher, University Pegaso Naples, Italy.

1. Raphael Bar-El, Professor, Ben-Gurion University, Israel, Dafna Schwartz, Professor, Interdisciplinary Center (IDC) Herzliya, Israel & David Bentolila, Coordinator of Management Division, Zefat Academic College, Israel. Innovation in Israel - A Special Case.
4. Rimi Zakaria, Assistant Professor, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, USA. Cultural Intelligence: The Role of Individual Differences in International Management.

20:00- 21:30 Dinner
All ATINER’s conferences are organized by the Academic Council. This conference has been organized with the assistance of the following academics, who contributed by chairing the conference sessions and/or by reviewing the submitted abstracts and papers:

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