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

Monday 17 June 2019

07:50-08:40 Registration and Refreshments

08:50-09:20 (Room A - 10th Floor): [Welcome and Opening Address](#) by Gregory T. Papanikos, President, ATINER.

09:30-11:00 Session I (Room A - 10th Floor): European Affairs

Chair: Kenneth Christie, Professor, Royal Roads University, Canada.

1. Stephanie Anderson, Professor and Head, School of Politics, Public Affairs and International Studies, University of Wyoming, USA. *Appealing to Women?: European Union Promotional Materials and the EU's Failure to Gain Women's Support for Integration.*
2. Wei-Ting Chao, PhD Candidate, Sciences Po Paris, France. *Frauds in the European Emissions Trading System: A Structural Embeddedness in Implementing a Market-based Environmental Policy Instrument.*
3. Viktoria Laura Herczegh, PhD Candidate, Corvinus University of Budapest, Hungary. *The Power of Tradition – Confucius Institutes in the V4 Countries.*

11:00-12:30 Session II (Room A - 10th Floor): Democracy, Democratization and Modernization

Chair: Wei-Ting Chao, PhD Candidate, Sciences Po Paris, France.

1. Natia Kuprashvili, Associate Professor, Ivane Javakhishvili Tbilisi State University, Georgia. *Polarization as a Threat for Democracy Analysis of the Media System of Georgia.*
2. Ibrahim Saylan, Assistant Professor, Dokuz Eylül University, Turkey & [Ilkim Ozdikmenli Celikoglu](#), Assistant Professor, Dokuz Eylül University, Turkey. *The Significance of Kemalist Modernization for the Modernization Theory.*
3. Ziva Rozen-Bakher, Researcher, UK. *Do the Labour Unions Lead to a Failure of Mergers & Acquisitions (M&As)?: The Game Theory Analysis.*
4. Halime Safiye Atalay, Research Assistant, Istanbul Medipol University, Turkey. *An Alternative Party Analysis Method for Short-Lived Political Parties in Precarious Democracies.*

12:30-14:00 Session III (Room A - 10th Floor): World Affairs: Violence, Human Security, Criminal Law and Sectarianism

Chair: Nicole Farris, Associate Professor, Texas A&M University-Commerce, USA.

1. Sonia Salari, Professor, University of Utah, USA, Carrie Sillito, Associate Instructor, University of Utah, USA & Terry Allen, Adjunct Professor, Weber State University, USA. USA Violent Cause Mortality: Analysis of Trends and the Political Controversies of Prevention.
2. Kenneth Christie, Professor, Royal Roads University, Canada & Haval Ahmad, PhD Candidate, Aberystwyth University, UK. Deradicalization: Implications for Human Security.
3. Elena-Ana Iancu, Professor, Alexandru Ioan Cuza Police Academy & Agora University of Oradea, Romania. Contribution of Forensic Science to Establishing the Truth in Criminal Proceedings.
4. Haiyan Dukhan, Teaching Fellow in International Relations, University of Leicester, UK. Tracing the Rise of Sectarianism in the Governorate of Deir Ezzor from the 1970s until the Current Civil War.
5. Mohammadreza Hafeznia, Professor, Tarbiat Modares University (TMU), Iran. Active Geostrategic Faults of the World Effective on the Global Politics.

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14:00-15:00 Lunch

15:00-16:30 Session IV (Room A - 10th Floor): Migration

Chair: Utku Özer, Research Fellow, ATINER.

1. Rafael Duran, Associate Professor, University of Málaga, Spain. Othering Muslims?: A Content Analysis of the Spanish Press Coverage.
2. Rong Chen, Associate Professor, Shanghai Health Development Research Center (SHDRC), China. Internal Migration and Regional Differences of Population Aging: An Empirical Study of 287 Cities in China.
3. Sergey Ryazantsev, Director of Institute Socio-Political Research of the Russian Academy of Sciences, Head of Department of Demographic and Migration Policy, MGIMO University, Russia. About some Counterarguments against Myths of Labour Immigration to Russia.

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16:30-18:00 Session V (Room A - 10th Floor): Populism

Chair: L. Jan Reid, President, Coast Economic Consulting, USA.

1. Seda Gizem Cevheri, PhD Candidate, Istanbul University, Turkey. A Comparative Analysis of Donald Trump's Neo-populist Discourse with the Classical Populism of the People's Party in the United States.
2. Natalia Strek, PhD Candidate, Jagiellonian University, Poland. Polish Populist Parties.
3. Nur Sinem Kourou, Research Assistant, Istanbul Kültür University, Turkey. Gendered Populist Mobilization.

21:00-23:00 Greek Night and Dinner

Tuesday 18 June 2019

08:00-11:00 Session VI: 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)

11:30-13:00 Session VII (Room A - 10th Floor): China

Chair: Birsen Erdogan, Lecturer, Maastricht University, The Netherlands.

1. Lubomir Zyblikiewicz, Professor Emeritus, Jagiellonian University, Poland. China and the Contemporary Globalization.
2. Congmei Shi, Professor, Soochow University, China & An Chen, Associate Professor, National University of Singapore, Singapore. The Emergence of Social Enterprises in China: A Comparative Study.
3. Lingmin Kong, PhD Student, University of York, UK. Identifying the Chinese Dream - From a Historical Perspective.
4. Aifang Ma, PhD Student, Center for European Studies and Comparative Politics, France. Artificial Intelligence in China: Strategies, Dynamics and Perspectives.

13:00-14:30 Session VIII (Room A - 10th Floor): Global Affairs, Diplomacy & Geopolitics

Chair: Aifang Ma, PhD Student, Center for European Studies and Comparative Politics, France.

1. Costa Andre Georghiou, Senior Lecturer, University of Johannesburg, South Africa. Professional Diplomacy: A Call for its Reinforcement.
2. L. Jan Reid, President, Coast Economic Consulting, USA. The Effect of American and European Sanctions on Russia.
3. Abubakar Alkali, PhD Candidate, Cardiff University, UK. Decolonisation in Africa and United Nations Security Council Reform: From the Organization of African Unity to African Union.

14:30-15:30 Lunch

15:30-17:00 Session IX (Room A - 10th Floor): Migration & Refugees

Chair: Lubomir Zyblikiewicz, Professor Emeritus, Jagiellonian University, Poland.

1. Bolormaa Tsogtsaikhan, Professor, National University of Mongolia, Mongolia. Internal Migration in Mongolia: Drivers, Challenges and Policy Issues.
2. Birsen Erdogan, Lecturer, Maastricht University, The Netherlands. How Does Foreign Policy Elite Justify Controversial Deals? Turkey-EU Deal on Refugees.

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20:00- 21:30 Dinner

Wednesday 19 June 2019
Mycenae and Island of Poros Visit
Educational Island Tour

Thursday 20 June 2019
Delphi Visit

Friday 21 June 2019
Ancient Corinth and Cape Sounion

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