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Provisional List of Papers Accepted and Registered to be Presented (Listed by Presenter's Surname) and Other Attendees

Note: This list includes only those who have registered for the conference (i.e., those who have paid the registration fee).

It does not include those who have received an acceptance letter but who have not yet sent in their registration form. Please also note that all the events (conferences, symposiums, public lectures, etc) are small academic events organized to serve Athens Institute's [mission](#) and [policy](#).

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Papers to be presented:

1. Noor Sulastry Yurni Ahmad, Associate Professor, Sultan Qaboos University, Oman. Youth, Politics, and the Digital Sphere: The Contradictory Impact of Social Media in South Korea.
2. Mahmut Kubilay Akman, Professor, Usak University, Türkiye. Feminine Diffractions and Biopolitics in Contemporary Arts.
3. *Abbas Al-Refaie, Professor, University of Jordan, Jordan. Effects of Satisfaction with PV Systems, Advertising, and Competition on Energy Security Using System Dynamics.
4. Artur Bartoszewicz, Assistant Professor, SGH Warsaw School of Economics, Poland, Robert Dygas, Assistant Professor, SGH Warsaw School of Economics, Poland & Paweł Lesiak, Associate Professor, SGH Warsaw School of Economics, Poland. Self-proclaimed Germany's Leadership and Its Effect on EU Socio-Economic Development.
5. *Frederic Berard, Associate, Gattuso Bouchard Mazzone & Professor, University of Montreal, Canada. The Protection of Collective Aboriginal Interest as Opposed to Individual Rights.
6. Gennadiy Chernov, Associate Professor, University of Regina, Canada. Need for Orientation and Its Place in the Motivational Framework of Needs and Goals.
7. Timothy Congdon, Chair, Institute of International Monetary Research, UK. Money and Inflation in the 2020s: What was the Cause of the Inflation Flare-up of 2021 and 2022?
8. Dragana Dabic, Research Fellow, Institute of International Politics and Economics, Serbia. Between Regulation and Identity-Building: Anthropocentric Technological Sovereignty as the European Response to the Challenges of Artificial Intelligence.
9. Anastasios Elmes, Associate Professor, ESSEC Business School, France. Navigating the Changing Tax Landscape: The Importance of Cross-border Advisory Alliances in Multinational Tax Planning.
10. Alexia Georgakopoulos, Professor, Nova South University, USA. Conflict Transformation and Sustainable Peace Programs in Global Conflict and Crisis: Ukraine Training Project.
11. Benjamin Gidron, Professor Emeritus, Ben Gurion University of the Negev, Israel, Maya Finger, Assistant Professor, The College of Management Academic Studies, Israel & Kfir Bar, Lecturer, Reichman University, Israel. Characterizing Impact Tech Startups' Investors: A Multivariate Analysis.
12. Gil Greenstein, Head of M.Sc. Program - Technology Management, Holon Institute of Technology (HIT), Israel. Handling Issues of Uncertainty while Designing DSS during the AI Era.

13. *Stefan Hall, Chair and Professor, Department of Game Design / Director of Communication Fellows, High Point University, USA. Reading "Japan-ness": Teaching Japanese Media and Popular Culture in a Global Context.
14. *Nathalie Homlong, Professor, Volda University College, Norway & Elisabeth Springler, Study Program Director, University of Applied Sciences, BFI Vienna, Austria. Daily Realities of Life in Indian Slums – A Case Study.
15. Matthias Huehn, Mary S. Carey Chair of Ethics and CST, Saint Vincent College, USA. Respect and Sympathy or Power and Empathy? Psychology's Harmful Effect on Leadership Theory.
16. Ludovico Iorio, PhD Candidate, University of Parma, Italy. Transparency Warranties for Algorithmic Decisions in Administrative Procedures Among EU Law and the Italian Legal System.
17. Kiridaran Kanagaretnam, Professor, York University, Canada. Climate Beliefs and Attitudes and Corporate Tax Savings.
18. Marek Kociuba, Assistant Professor, Military University of Land Forces, Poland. Relationship between Digit Ratio (2D:4D) and Sports Achievements.
19. Volga Kurbanzade, Lecturer, Istanbul Okan University, Türkiye. Framing of the Annan Plan in Print Media: A Comparative Analysis.
20. Xiaozhen Li, Professor, Shaanxi Normal University, China & Zushe Yuan, Professor, Shaanxi Normal University, China. The Survival Dilemma of the “Technological Society” and the Transcendent Logic of Digital Ecological Civilization.
21. *Gohar Marikyan, Full Professor, SUNY Empire State University, USA. Mathematics and Society.
22. Gift Mheta, Associate Professor & Manager, Writing Centre, Durban University of Technology, South Africa. Tutoring in the Age of Artificial Intelligence: The Reflections of Selected Tutors at the Durban University of Technology Writing Centre.
23. Yaffa Moskovich, Head, Organizational Sociology Department, Zefat Academic College, Israel. Clan-Culture Attributes in a Privatized Kibbutz Industry: An Israeli Case Study.
24. *Sarath Murugan, MBA Student, Alliance University, Bangalore, India, Sathya Harini K P, MBA Student, Alliance University, Bangalore, India & Santhosh Murugan, MBA Student, Alliance University, Bangalore, India. Factors Influencing Indian Consumers: Preference for Foreign Brands over Local Alternatives.
25. *Anugraha Rajalekshmi Nair, MBA Student, Alliance University, Bangalore, India & Rabekah Jayanthi Thomas, MBA Student, Alliance University, Bangalore, India. The Shift from Homemakers to Businesswomen: Exploring Influential Factors in Entrepreneurship.
26. *Chary Rangacharyulu, Professor, University of Saskatchewan, Canada. Science as an Enterprise of Quasi-Empiricism: Astronomy as a Case Study.
27. Reinhard Reitzenstein, Professor, Director of Sculpture Program, State University of New York at Buffalo, USA. Allegorical Minimalism.
28. Fernando Romero, Lecturer, University of Minho, Portugal. Social Network Perspectives of the Relations between University and Society.
29. *Sneha Roy, MBA Student, Alliance University, Bangalore, India, Anjana Kodapurath, MBA Student, Alliance University, Bangalore, India & Rishika Singh, MBA Student, Alliance University, Bangalore, India. Motivational Factors Driving Gig Workers’ Participation Despite Challenges.
30. Abdullah Salamai, Associate Professor, Jazan University, Saudi Arabia. Risk Management for Smart Healthcare System: A Hybrid MCDM Framework.
31. Deric Shannon, Professor, Oxford College, Emory University, USA. Short-term Global Travel Courses as Entrypoint for Global Studies: Prospects and Limits.
32. Tyler Smith, Assistant Professor, Western Carolina University, USA. Beyond the Holocaust: The Business of Genocide and Slave Labor. (CBCETH)
33. Sunguralp Solpan, Lecturer, Yeditepe University, Türkiye. National Populist Discourse as a Lack of Content: Critical Discourse Analysis on Osman’s Story and Newspapers in two Different Occasions.
34. Marc Spooner, Professor, University of Regina, Canada. Democracy Needs Its Universities-Now More Than Ever.
35. Elina Vroblevska, Researcher/Lecturer, Riga Stradins University, Latvia & Beate Livdanska, Researcher/Lecturer, Riga Stradins University, Latvia. The Ideological Arms Race: A Comparative Analysis of Russia's Idea of “Civilizational Uniqueness” and Latvian and Lithuanian Counter-Strategies.
36. Apostolos Xanthopoulos, Assistant Professor, Lewis University, USA. The Ranking of the Greek Retirement System based on Human and Economic Freedom.
37. *Zushe Yuan, Professor, Shaanxi Normal University, China. Public Value Crisis and the Aspiration for a Good Life: The Anthropological Logic in Contemporary Practical Sociology.

38. Hong Zhao, Associate Professor, NEOMA Business School, France & Ran Tao, Associate Professor, NEOMA Business School, France. Environmental and Social Incidents and Firm Responses: Evidence from a Multinational Study. (*Thursday*)
39. Bo Zheng, Professor, Shaanxi Normal University, China. Digital Age: Human Disembedding from Temporal-Spatial Contexts.