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News

During the four weeks of May, approximately **350 participants** from **55 different countries** (*Albania, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Egypt, El Salvador, Finland, France, Georgia,*

Germany, Ghana, Hungary, India, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kenya, Kosovo, Latvia, Lebanon, Libya, Lithuania, Mexico, North Macedonia, Norway, Oman, Palestine, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Romania, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the Netherlands, Turkey, the UK, and the USA) visited Athens to participate in our academic events.

The Athens Institute and the University “Ukshin Hoti” Prizren, Kosovo, have officially signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU). The agreement formalizes a framework for academic cooperation, including joint research, academic exchange, and participation in conferences and scholarly activities, aimed at strengthening collaboration and promoting education and research. This partnership marks an important step in strengthening international academic collaboration between the two institutions.

Dr. Gregory T. Papanikos Meets with the new Academic Member of the Athens Institute, **Dr. Thomas Sakoulas** ([more details](#)).

21st Annual International Conference on Philosophy Brought Together Scholars from **22 Countries Across 4 Continents** ([more details](#)).

The Athens Institute’s Head of Natural Sciences Unit, **Dr. Haiduke Sarafian** (*Professor of Physics and Endowed Chair of John T. and Paige S. Smith Professor of Science, Pennsylvania State University, USA*), has published a new article on “**One-Dimensional Forced Standing Waves, II**” which is available at: www.scirp.org/journal/paperinformation?paperid=151298.

Dr. Vjollca Dibra Ibrahim & **Dr. Gregory T. Papanikos** at the Annual International Conference on Literature ([more details](#)).

Dr. Gregory T. Papanikos with Conference Participants at the **22nd Annual International Conference on Tourism** ([more details](#)).

An academic discussion over lunch was held on **Wednesday, 27 May 2026**, at a traditional Greek restaurant in downtown Athens ([more details](#)).

The Athens Institute organized on **Monday, 25 May 2026** a visit to **Aristotle's Lyceum**, in the context of the **21st Annual Conference on Philosophy** ([more details](#)).

An academic discussion on the future of education and research was held on **Saturday, 23 May 2026**, in downtown Athens ([more details](#)).

Dr. Nick Linardopoulos & Dr. Gregory T. Papanikos Meeting on Education Conference and Journal Development ([more details](#)).

Opening of the **28th International Education Conference** and **22nd Information Technology & Computer Science Conference** in Athens, Greece ([more details](#)).

Dr. John V. Pavlik & Dr. Gregory T. Papanikos Meeting on Communication and Mass Media Conference and Journal Development ([more details](#)).

The **President of the Athens Institute, Dr. Gregory T. Papanikos**, Professor (Adjunct) at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, USA, has posted a new working paper (No. 2026-2796-41) on **ResearchGate**.

The paper is available here: [Goals and Geopolitics: The Iran-US War and the 2026 World Cup - May 12, 2026](#)

The paper was presented on **Monday, 11 May 2026**, at the **Symposium on "Sports, Media and Wars,"** which took place as part of the **26th Annual International Conference on Sports: Economic, Management, Marketing & Social Aspects** and the **24th Annual International Conference on Communication and Mass Media**.

Meeting between **Dr. Gregory T. Papanikos** and **Dr. Amani Ismail**, on Future Collaboration in Communication and Mass Media ([more details](#)).

Publications

Athens Journal of Education

Athens Journal of Philology

Athens Journal of Philosophy

Athens Journal of Psychology

Athens Journal of Sciences

Athens Journal of Sports

Athens Journal of Tourism

14 Forthcoming Papers

Forthcoming Conferences Organized by the Athens Institute

The Athens Institute is organized into 7 [Divisions](#), 37 [Units](#) and 8 [Centers](#). Each one organizes at least one annual academic event (conferences, symposiums, roundtable discussions etc.). All events are small academic gatherings as these are described in ATINER's [mission](#) and [policy](#).

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