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RE: 4th Annual International Conference on Humanities & Arts in a Global World, 3-4 January 2017, Athens, Greece

The <u>Athens Institute for Education and Research</u> hosted its 4th Annual International Conference on **Humanities** & **Arts in a Global World**. The conference took place 3-4 January 2017 in Athens, Greece. ATINER President Dr **Gregory T. Papanikos** gave the welcoming remarks along with an inaugural speech on "*Democracy in Ancient Athens and in the Contemporary World*." Participants were also welcomed by Dr **David Wick**, Professor of History at Gordon College & Director of the Arts and Humanities Research Division of ATINER.

During the two days of the conference, 23 scientific papers were presented by academics and researchers from 12 different countries on five continents (Canada, France, Greece, Israel, Japan, Poland, Romania, Spain, Tunisia, UAE, UK, and USA). In total, 8 conference sessions were organized on issues such as history, philosophy, law, arts, and special topics in humanities. Presentations ranged from the role of Platonism as a modern philosophic method to the evolution of the female character in Victorian literature to the acculturation of Iranian immigrants in Canada. The detailed conference program is available at http://www.atiner.gr/2017/2017PRO-HUM.pdf.

Participants also attended a special round-table discussion on "Teaching and Studying at the Tertiary Level in a Global World: Challenges and Prospects" as part of this conference. Scholars from six different countries (Canada, France, Japan, Romania, Spain, and USA) formally presented as part of the roundtable, while discussion was roundtable opened to all participants. The program of the discussion is available at http://www.atiner.gr/events/3January2017Humanities.pdf.

This is the first conference from ATINER's 2017 program of conferences, symposiums, forums, and other events. ATINER will organize 73 conferences and symposiums (http://www.atiner.gr/2017Conferences) and more than 100 special panels (http://www.atiner.gr/2017panels) on a plethora of topics as part of the 2017 Academic Events Program. Events are organized by ATINER's seven Research Divisions and forty Research Units and are open to all academics and researchers as stipulated in the mission and the policy of the association.

ATINER was established in 1995 as an independent world member-based association of academics and researchers. Its mission is to act as a forum where academics and researchers from all over the world can meet to exchange ideas on their research and discuss future developments within their disciplines. Athens was chosen as the meeting place because of its long history and vibrant culture. Currently the Association has 2245 members from 115 different countries (http://www.atiner.gr/all-members).

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