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RE: 10th Annual International Conference on Mediterranean Studies, 10-13 April 2017, Athens, Greece

The <u>Athens Institute for Education and Research</u> hosted its 10th Annual International Conference on **Mediterranean Studies**. The conference took place 10-13 April 2017 in Athens, Greece. ATINER President Dr **Gregory T. Papanikos** gave the welcoming remarks along with an inaugural speech on "*The Organization of Academic Symposiums in Ancient Athens.*"

During the two days of the conference, 38 scientific papers were presented by academics and researchers from 18 different countries on five continents (Albania, Algeria, Cyprus, Denmark, France, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Libya, New Zealand, Oman, Portugal, Qatar, South Korea, Spain, Turkey, UK, and USA). In total, 9 conference sessions were organized on issues such as history, education, politics, health, business, economics, and special topics in Mediterranean studies. The detailed conference program is available at https://www.atiner.gr/2017/2017PRO-MDT.pdf.

Some conference participants were interviewed about their research and presentations by ATINER's associates. These interviews are part of an ongoing initiative to bring attention to the work of our academic members. All interviews are available on our WebTV channel (https://www.atiner.gr/webtv/interviews).

This is the second conference from ATINER's 2017 program of conferences, symposiums, forums, and other events. ATINER will organize 74 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 39 Research Units, and are open to all academics and researchers as stipulated in the mission and 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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