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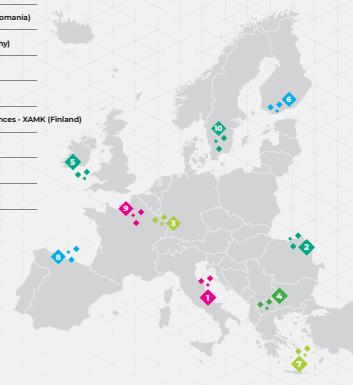
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University of Crete: =1st in Greece

The University of Crete firmly holds its position among the top 500 universities listed in the influential 2023 Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings, published on 12 October 2022, despite the ever-increasing number of research-intensive universities being ranked annually (1799 compared with 1662 last year). University of Crete is **first** among Greek universities. It is ranked in the 401-500 bracket with the National & Kapodistrian University of Athens (NKUA).



Greece

University of Crete

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401–
500th

World University
Rankings 2023

401–
600th

Impact Rankings
2022

88th

Young University
Rankings 2022

The THE World University Rankings, now in its 19th year, focus on a selected frame of the world's research intensive universities, rather than the total global 'pool' of over 20,000 Higher Education Institutions. Thirteen (13) indicators are used to measure University performance in teaching, research output and impact, knowledge transfer, and international outlook. In one particular area, citations, used as an indicator of research impact and influence, the UoC continues constantly strives to punch above its weight – ranking #279 worldwide. Reflecting in particular its research strengths, University of Crete is ranked 88th in the 2022 THE Young University Rankings .

This is the eleventh year running that the University of Crete has been included among the top 100 best research-intensive universities under 50 years old.

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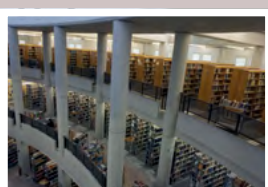


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Being ranked among the top 500 universities worldwide is an achievement credited to the University community and its continuing efforts to improve support services for the University's scholars, scientists and students

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“ UoC is consistently ranked among the world’s leading research – intensive universities ”



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RESEARCH



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WELCOME TO THE UNIVERSITY OF CRETE

University of Crete is committed to excellence in teaching, research and community partnership.

Students have the opportunity to gain knowledge and skills in their field of interest by choosing from 17 Undergraduate and 54 Postgraduate program, while PhD programs, research infrastructure and international partnerships, support and promote research. Our Institution **integrates sustainability** in the quality objectives for research, education, development and modernization.

The University of Crete is a member of European University **INGENIUM**, reflecting its international outlook.

The current **ranking results** are the outcome of combined efforts of Uoc community.



VOUTES UNIVERSITY CAMPUS
HERAKLION



GALLOS UNIVERSITY CAMPUS
RETHYMNON



INGENIUM

University of Crete is a member of the INGENIUM European University, one of the four new alliances that was selected from Erasmus+ 2022 Call on European Universities (27th July). The INGENIUM Alliance, comprises 10 universities spanning the continent and is supported by a large group of associated organisations, which in Crete includes the [Regional Authority](#), the [Heraklion Chamber of Commerce and Industry](#), the [Foundation for Research & Technology-Hellas \(FORTH\)](#), and the [Hellenic Centre for Marine Research \(HCMR\)](#).

The Alliance reflects the heterogeneity of European higher education, being diverse in setting, cultural background, organisation and institutional profiles. This diversity is seen as a strength in developing complementary research and educational actions for an integrated “European University” encompassing 10 campuses across Europe, enhancing the opportunities open to the Alliance’s 172,000 students and 9200 scientific staff. The ambition of the Alliance is to develop synergies which will promote cutting edge and interdisciplinary research and academic collabora-

tions, and to develop innovative digital pedagogies and technologies. Pedagogical innovation, entrepreneurship, inclusiveness and sustainability will be key areas of activity.

University of Crete is undertaking, among other things, the implementation and coordination of the unified digital space of the INGENIUM European University. This involves all the Alliance partners in pooling capabilities so as to make the best possible use of potential to ‘level-up’ digital capacities, and to meet the Alliance commitment to strategies to address digital poverty and fair access to INGENIUM educational opportunities and experiences.

Together as a consortium, universities will work to pursue the common vision of what European higher education should be in terms of teaching methodology, interdisciplinarity, research and commitment to social development. The alliance of INGENIUM is firmly committed to build a new model of university education, where a wide-range of international opportunities for students, researchers, staff and regional stakeholders will be offered.

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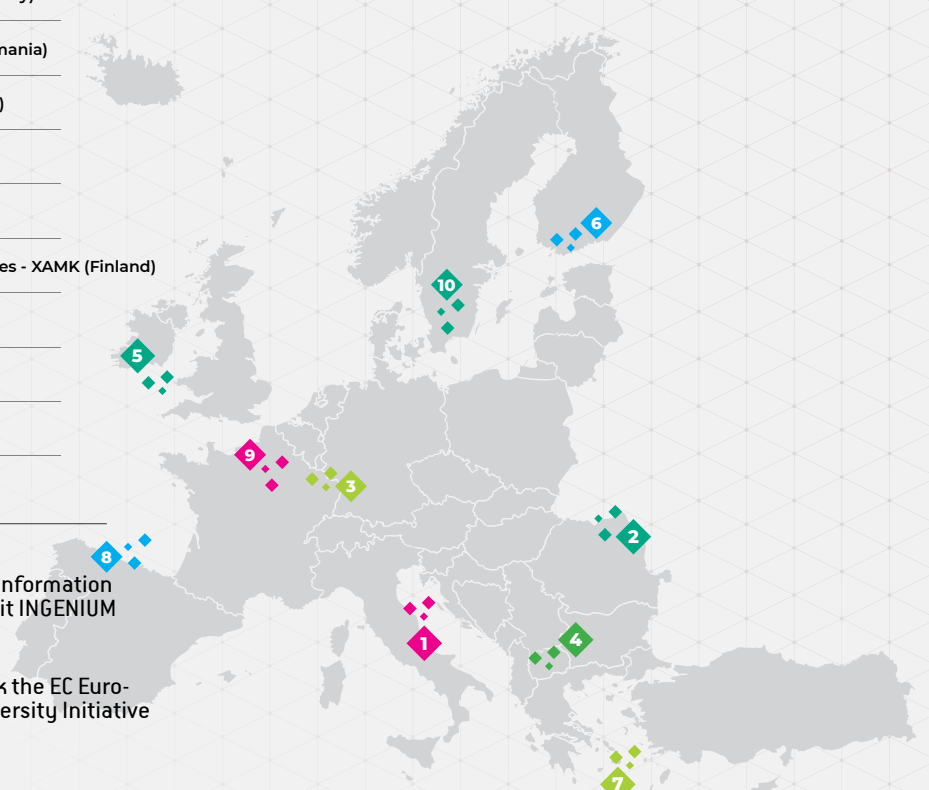
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2nd INGENIUM Symposium for Sustainable Goals, from University of Rouen

The 2nd Symposium for Sustainable Goal was organized by the University of Rouen on 5 & 6 October. University of Crete, member of INGENIUM European University, presented its distinctive characteristics, UoC's international rankings, actions and research programs that promote Sustainable Development.

University of Crete was represented by Georgios Kossioris, Vice-Rector of Academic Affairs, Lifelong

Learning, International Relation and Outlook, Antonis Argyros, Head of the Department and Professor of Computer Science, Dimitris Stavrou, Director of the laboratory for the Teaching of Sciences and Professor of Primary Education, Dimitris Papazoglou, Vice Chairperson and Associate Professor of Material Science and Technology.



«The INGENIUM symposium provided us a common platform to connect and design research and educational collaborative schemes. Under the umbrella of the INGENIUM alliance we will be able to establish direct collaborations between departments, through a bottom-up approach, providing the ground for a sustainable alliance.»
Dimitris Papazoglou, Vice Chairperson and Associate Professor of Material Science and Technology.



«The creation of the INGENIUM European Campus of 10 European Universities, will provide students with new, groundbreaking opportunities. They would be able to attend courses either in person or remotely, apply for practical training and interact with 200.000 students of the INGENIUM European University.»
Georgios Kossioris, Vice-Rector of Academic Affairs, Lifelong Learning, International Relation and Outlook.



«The meeting of INGENIUM members emphasized that the major problems of our times and sustainable development cannot be partially approached, but require strong alliances and joint efforts in the field of university education and interdisciplinary research. The establishment of a common European vision and the fact that the University of Crete can be a crucial member of such a cohesive process are very promising signs.»
Antonis Argyros, Head of the Department and Professor of Computer Science.



«The INGENIUM is a real challenge for interdisciplinary studies of our students and for the development of common interdisciplinary syllabus in European level.» Dimitris Stavrou, Director of the laboratory for the Teaching of Sciences and Professor of Primary Education.



Presentation of INGENIUM by G. Kossioris in Rouen

TALOS Center in Artificial Intelligence for Humanities and Social Sciences of University of Crete

University of Crete will enhance its capacity building in the field of Artificial Intelligence for Humanities and Social Sciences through the establishment of a new Center of Excellence: **TALOS***, named after the ancient robot/guardian of Crete. Christophe Roche, (ERA Chair), Professor in Artificial Intelligence of University Savoie Mont-Blanc (France), will supervise the activities of The Centre while he would be affiliated with the UoC Department of Philology with teaching and research activities.

Scientific Responsible for the research programme funded by the European Commission (ERA Chair) is **Melina Tamiolaki**, Associate Professor of UoC's Department of Philology and Deputy Director of University of Crete Research Center for the Humanities, the Social and Education Sciences (UCRC) while faculty members from both universities will participate to the research team.



*Christophe Roche,
(ERA Chair), Professor in Artificial Intelligence of University
Savoie Mont-Blanc*

The TALOS Center will offer innovative curricula for the UoC's students of Philosophy, broadening the work horizons of graduates, but also conferences, workshops, open courses and seminars for a range of groups (academic community, UoC students, society). At the same time it will attract qualified researchers and encourage collaborations with Greek and international Centers.



**In Greek mythology, Talos was a giant bronze robot made by Hephaestus, the Greek God of metallurgy and fire. Talos was ordered to protect Europa in Crete from invaders and circled the island's shores three times daily. Talos was thought to be the last descendant of the brazen race, or, according to Plato, he was the brother of King Rhadamanthys, son of Zeus and Europa.*

This five-year (2023-2028) research programme is based on five pillars with related actions:

1. Research development
2. Training and teaching
3. International visibility and outreach
4. Sustainability
5. Institutional policy reforms





ERASMUS+ NEWS

THE UNIVERSITY OF CRETE
WELCOMES NEW STUDENTS,
STAFF AND PARTNERS FROM
AROUND THE WORLD

In the academic year 2021-2022 the University of Crete welcomed a large number of Erasmus+ and other International students, researchers and staff members, despite the obstacles created by the pandemic and the war in Ukraine, continuing its long tradition in the Erasmus+ Programme and its dedication to Internationalization strategies.



ERASMUS MOBILITY 2021-2022 HIGHLIGHTS

- The University of Crete welcomed **more than 150 incoming students**, researchers and staff members in the frame of the Erasmus+ Programme from partner Universities.
- **Erasmus+ Staff Week in Rethymnon:** the Department of International and Public Relations of Rethymnon organized a staff training week for European Universities in April 11 - 14. Twelve staff members from Universities of Estonia, Poland, Hungary and Spain participated, as well as members of the University community in Rethymnon.
- In **June 2022** the President of the Medicine School of **Ilia State University in Georgia**, Prof. Ivane Abiatari, and the Head of the Department of International Relations Mrs. Salome Bilanishvili

visited the University of Crete to investigate new partnerships, exchange ideas and good practices. The International Relations department organized campus tours and meetings that were especially fruitful for future collaborations.

- The International Relations Department organized the reception and stay of PhD candidate **Fernanda Israel Pio** from Brazil at the Department of Philosophy and Social Studies, as well as the mobility of Prof. Gabriele Cornelli from the **Universidade de Brasilia** for teaching in the same department. Prof. Cornelli collaborated





Snapshots from the welcome event for incoming Erasmus+ students

with PhD candidate Fernanda Israel Pio and graduates Eirini Drakou and Pablo A. delaFuente. Furthermore, he collaborated with Prof. Chloe Balla, who had also visited the Universidade de Brasvlia for teaching. The result of these interesting interactions was a series of discussions and actions about teaching and philosophy studies which are still ongoing.

- The **Department of Preschool Education** welcomed the student Fangyu Qu from the University of **Shenzhen, China**, for a 4-month internship in the spring semester of the academic year 2021-2022. During her stay, the student had an excellent collaboration with Prof. M. Tzakosta, and at the same time she attended and successfully completed the Greek language program for foreigners. She expressed her best impressions for the high academic level of the Department of Preschool Education and the quality of services provided by the Department of International Relations of UoC in Rethymnon.
- Members of the academic and administrative staff of the University of Crete visited the **Gordon College of Education in Israel**, continuing a fruitful exchange that started last summer, when a group from Israel visited the University of Crete. The prospect of further collaborations that will benefit both institutions was investigated and best practices were discussed.

The **new Erasmus+ year (2022-2023)** was initiated with the **Orientation Day** for incoming Erasmus students on September 26th 2022 at Gallos Campus (Rethymnon), with the participation of about **60 students** from various higher education institutions all over the world who chose the University of Crete for their studies. The event was organized by the International Relations Department of Rethymnon with the support of volunteer UoC students, who provided new students with valuable tips about academic and student life, and guided them in a fun campus tour.

The Orientation Day opened with the cordial welcome speech of the Vice-Rector of Academic Affairs, Lifelong Learning, International Relations and Outlook, Professor Georgios Kosioris.

INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS IN UOC

The International Relations Department manages all exchange and mobility programs of the University of Crete and acts as a contact point for Erasmus & other international students, researchers, visiting academics and staff.

Contact us to find out about the opportunities available at the University of Crete and we will be happy to help with any inquiries you may have. We look forward to welcoming you in Crete!

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UoC Summer Schools 2022

Summer Schools have always been at the forefront of UoC educational strategies, as they reflect the institution's academic excellence, its significant international outlook and its commitment to experiential learning that focuses on societal challenges. This summer, after two years of pandemic and limited activity due to prevention measures, the summer schools of the University of Crete are making a

dynamic comeback. The University of Crete offers excellent research infrastructures, high quality teaching by distinguished professors and is based in an attractive tourist destination. All these features guarantee an unforgettable experience of knowledge and creation, combined with a pleasant summer escape in the beautiful island of Crete.

6th Summer School on Cultural Heritage & Augmented Reality Applications in Education

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The 6th Summer School on "Cultural Heritage & Augmented Reality Applications in Education" was held at the town of Agios Nikolaos on **July 15-21**. During the School, students experimented with the pedagogical use of new technologies and created an educational augmented reality game about cultural heritage using mobile phones. The summer school is organized by the **Department of Primary Education** and the **E-Learning Lab of UoC**.

2nd Summer School on Astrostatistics

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After a two-year break due to the pandemic, the Department of Physics of the University of Crete, in collaboration with the Institute of Astrophysics of the Foundation for Research and Technology (FORTH), organized the 2nd Summer School on Astrostatistics from **July 11 - 15**. The goal of the School is to guide advanced undergraduates, masters and graduate students, and early postdocs in the use of the most common statistical tools for the analysis of a wide variety of data. The school is coordinated by former students and postdoctoral fellows of the Department of Physics.



2nd Cretan Summer School of Respiratory Department SHARE

The 2nd Cretan Summer School of Respiratory Department SHARE; from bench to bedside took place from **June 30 to July 2** teaching medical doctors and researchers the latest advancements of Respiratory diseases. The School focuses on theory, multidisciplinary discussions between clinicians- respiratory and primary care physicians, rheumatologists and expert radiologists and pathologists, as well as difficult for diagnosis and management clinical cases. The school invites medical doctors and professionals to meet respiratory physicians and experts in Respiratory Medicine to exchange ideas, share experiences and be part of the future in clinical practice and research.

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16th Advanced Summer School in Economics and Econometrics ASSEE

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The 16th Advanced Summer School in Economics and Econometrics took place in **August 7 - 13** with the participation of world leading scholars, presenting a different topic every year in economics and/or econometrics. This year the topic was **"Bayesian Networks in Policy and Society"** and its objective was to introduce attendees to recent developments of Bayesian Networks using the statistical language R. The instructor was Dr. Marco Scutari, Senior Researcher in Bayesian Networks and Graphical Models, Istituto Dalle Molle di Studi sull'Intelligenza Artificiale (IDSIA), Polo Universitario Lugano, Switzerland. The target audience includes PhD students in early or later stages in their studies, early career researchers and academics, as well as practitioners from both the public and private sectors.



1st Summer School "Dementia for medical students: Improving knowl- edge/developing skills of pregraduate students to manage dementia"

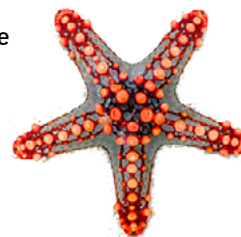
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The summer school "Dementia for medical students" was organized for the first time this summer by the School of Medicine of UoC in **July 4 -15**, and aims to expose medical students to the challenges of detecting cognitive dysfunction and caring for patients with neurodegenerative disorders. The School offers an opportunity to showcase the interdisciplinary approach employed in dementia care to optimize health outcomes. At the same time, students are educated on the most recent developments in research for neurodegenerative disorders. The structure of the program includes clinical practice, hands-on laboratory experience and lectures by distinguished scientists from Greece and abroad.

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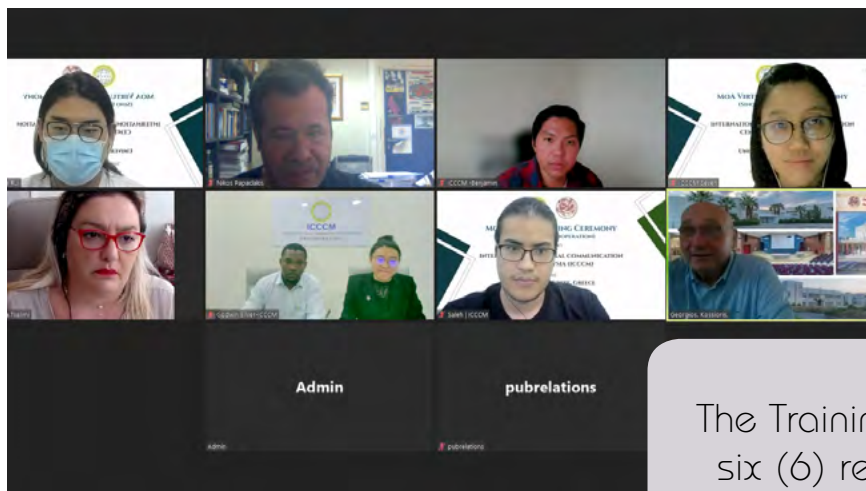


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"Dementia for medical students"- excursion to Spinalonga

New, large-scale, cooperation of the University of Crete with China



First online meeting between UoC and ICCCM



The Training Courses, consisting of six (6) research-based modules each, are the following:

1. Aquaculture (Team Leader: Prof. Michail Pavlidis)
2. An Introduction to Machine Learning (Team Leader: Dr Dimitris Kalopsikakis)
3. Advanced Functional Soft Materials (Team Leader: Prof. Spyros Anastasiadis)
4. Living your best life: promoting wellness, preventing disease and disability (Team Leader: Prof. Christos Lionis)
5. Sustainable Development within the Digital Era: Economy, Society and Environment
6. (Team Leader: Prof. Nikos Papadakis)
7. Critical Digital Skills (Prof. Anthony Chourdakis)
8. Digital Humanities (Associate Prof. Melina Tammiolaki)
9. eLearning- eCollaboration - eCreativity: Innovative Strategies for Online and Blended Learning Environments (Prof. Panos Anastasiades)

The University of Crete on 14 October, has signed a Memorandum of Agreement with the International Cultural Communication Center Malaysia (ICCCM), within the framework of the scheduled Digital Signing Ceremony. The MoA was mutually signed by the Rector of the University of Crete (UoC), Prof. Giorgos Kontakis and the General Director of the ICCCM Dr Hui Ann Loo.

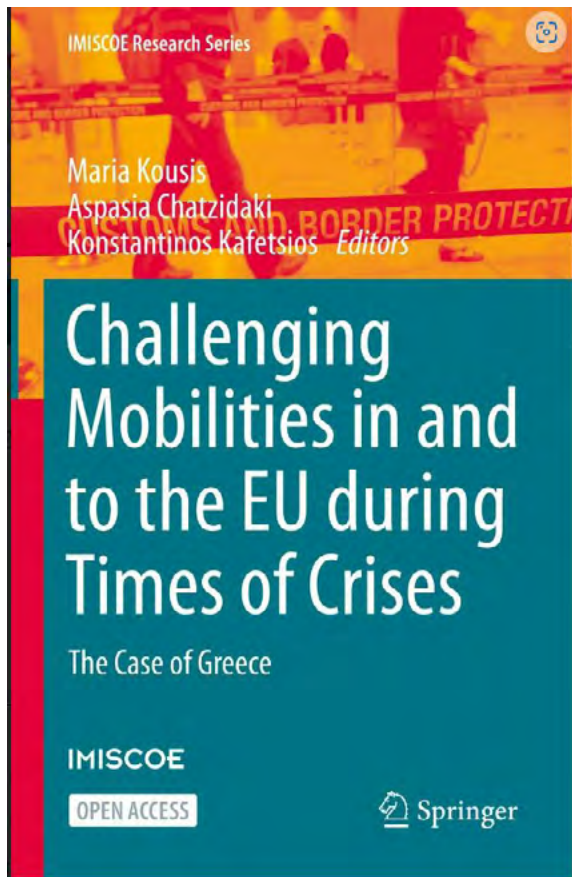
Within the context of the MoA, the UoC will provide (via its Centre for Training and LLL- KEDIVIM) eight (8) innovative Training Courses to Chinese HEI' and VET Institutes' students, in China, during the period February 2023- December 2025. All the Training Courses will be provided in China and accredited by the KEDIVIM-UoC.

The Vice-Rector of the UoC & President of the KEDIVIM-UoC, Prof. Georgios Kosioris and the Director of the KEDIVIM-UoC Prof. Nikos Papadakis, will be in charge of the project.

UCRC publishes its first international volume:

Challenging Mobilities in and to the EU during Times of Crises

The Case of Greece



University of Crete Research Centre for the Humanities, the Social and Education Sciences (UCRC) is the home for Research Laboratories Research Projects and funded Postgraduate Studies Programmes associated with the School of Humanities, the School of Social Sciences and the School of Education Sciences. UCRC, committed to link theory to practice and science to society, has published its first international volume: *Challenging Mobilities in and to the EU during Times of Crises, The Case of Greece*, by Springer Nature (IMISCOE Research Series).

The origin of this volume goes back to the decision of the 2016–2021 Board of the [University of Crete Research Centre for the Humanities, the Social and Education Sciences \(UCRC\)](#) to organize its first conference entitled 'Migrations: Interdisciplinary Perspectives' in Rethymno on October 2019, in which the contributors of this volume presented their work.

The authors, from the fields of philosophy, anthropology, sociology, economics, political science, geography, linguistics, law, health sciences and mathematics offer new analyses and data on a diverse range of mobility-related topics concerning the new Greek emigrants as well as refugees in Greece.

The first Chapters on mobility issues regard the new emigration wave from Greece centre on decision-making, related benefits from emigrants, and education-related issues. Secondly, examinations of host receptivity towards refugees in Greece focus on attitudes as well as social distance and national stereotypes. Third, solidarity and claims-making analyses unravel aspects of a contested solidarity in the country, as well as migrants' protests and cosmopolitanism issues. Fourth, investigations of transformations in the governance of refugee and migrant mobilities lead to theoretical and political reflections on how the country experienced crises.

The final Chapters analyse the durable integration challenges centre on the evolution of integration and migration policy for Greece as well as on those posed for the municipality of Athens and the Covid-19 pandemic. In an era of continuing crises deeply affecting migration, as witnessed also in the unprecedented wave of refugees due to the war in Ukraine, the volume aims to become a unique resource for students and scholars from the above disciplines, but also for policymakers, working on crises and migration within and beyond Europe.



Three minute Thesis Competition



The competition was a celebration of research and scientific knowledge aiming for a better society and a brighter future

The "3 Minute Thesis" competition is organized for the second time in Greece and at the University of Crete, based on an idea first realized in 2008 at the University of Queensland, Australia, which was soon adopted by 600 universities in more than 65 countries worldwide.

The final evaluation phase of the competition "3 Minute Thesis" was completed on Thursday, July 14, 2022, at the event hall of the Heraklion Chamber with a large number of attendees. The 11 PhD candidates of the University of Crete who achieved the highest score during the first phase (out of the 53 students who participated in the competition), managed to present their project in 3 minutes, focusing on the purpose and importance of their research to the scientific world and the society as a whole. The candidates represented the Departments of Biology, Materials Science & Technology, Computer Science, Medicine, Physics and Chemistry. The Jury and the audience, who enthusiastically participated and applauded the efforts of the candidates, rated the presentations and announced the winners of the three (3) prizes: 1st prize, 2nd prize and audience award.

The winner of the 1st prize and the audience award is Mr. Georgios Korkidis, PhD candidate of the Department of Physics, who presented his PhD thesis on the topic: "Searching for dark energy at the boundary between collapse and expansion in galaxy clusters". The winner of the 2nd prize is Ms. Artemis Bosveli, PhD candidate of the Department of Chemistry, who presented her PhD thesis on "Synthesis of pharmaceutical compounds using photocatalysis".



The PhD Candidate of the Department of Physics, Georgios Korkidis, and the PhD Candidate of the Department of Chemistry, Artemis Bosveli



Snapshot from the 3MT Competition in Heraklion

University Excavation of Ancient Krannon 2022

The University of Crete excavation in ancient Krannon at the region of Larissa continues for the fourth year, under the direction of Ass. Professor of Classical Archeology Dimitrios Bosnakis, in collaboration with the Ephorate of Antiquities of Larissa.

The excavation takes place in the area of the acropolis of ancient Krannon, where, according to ancient sources, the powerful aristocratic house of the Skopads was based. The Scopads were known for their great wealth and "culinary greed"; however, they also followed the intellectual growth of the rest of Greece, and important personalities, such as the poets Pindaros and Simonides, have been hosted in their court. The importance of Krannon became evident since the first year of the excavations, as a great number of significant archaeological findings emerged, revealing an extensive and rich settlement. According to ancient inscriptions and literary sources that survived, the area of the acropolis included important public and religious buildings, such as the palace of the Skopads, the city market, and at least two temples



Excavation at the residential area of the Acropolis in Ancient Krannon

dedicated to Athena and Apollo. Apart from the excavations, geophysical research has been conducted at the largest part of the acropolis with very promising results.

Recently, from September 26 to October 22, a planned systematic surface survey was carried out in

On the way to the excavation site



the area of the acropolis by a great team of students from the University of Crete, under the direction of professors Dimitrios Bosnakis and Stella Katakouta and the supervision of Dr. Merkouri Georgiadis (University of Tarragona, a partner through the Marie Curie research program). The findings of the excavation and surface survey, combined with the study of literary sources and inscriptions, are expected to contribute to the dynamic reconstruction of the image of the ancient city, making Krannon an excellent case study for understanding the development and evolution of a Thessalian settlement of its time. The excavation has been financed by the University of Crete and supported by the Municipality of Kileler.



First day of excavations at the residential area of the Acropolis





5-9/9 Last Summer Camp at the Natural History Museum of Crete

"Stand up... for Nature! An ecological performance", the last weekly summer program of 2022 at the Natural History Museum of Crete is directed to primary school students. Our little friends are introduced to various ecosystems and the challenges they face through interdisciplinary educational actions that combine science and the arts (theater and music).

9/9 Presentation: Postgraduate Studies in France

The Department of Physics of the University of Crete, in collaboration with the French Institute of Greece, organizes a presentation on postgraduate studies in France at the 3rd floor seminar room of the Department of Physics (Voutes campus, Heraklion). The presentation is conducted by Dr. Katerina Spyropoulou, Assistant to the Attaché for the Scientific and University Cooperation of the French Institute of Greece. The event is open to all students of the University of Crete and the general public.

9/9 "The sky in science, music, and literature" – A Greek-French event - Tribute to the relationship between art and science

The Crete University Press, the Institute of Astrophysics (FORTH) and the French Institute of Greece organize a commemorative event titled "The sky in science, music, and literature" at the Experimental Stage of the Cultural Conference Center of Heraklion, Crete, for the one-year anniversary of the death of Mikis Theodorakis on September 2, 2021. The event focuses on the astronomical paradoxes of the world around us in relation to the internationally acclaimed work of two great personalities of Crete and Greece, Mikis Theodorakis and Nikos Kazantzakis, and the different ways in which they were both influenced from our position in universe and their life experience in France.

15-18/9 3rd International Conference: "Options, Instructional Practices and Trajectories of English for Academic Purposes Practitioners" at the University of Crete

The Special Educational Staff in the English Language of the School of Science and Engineering and the School of Medicine of the University of Crete organize the 3rd International Scientific Conference titled "Options, Instructional Practices and Trajectories of English for Academic Purposes Practitioners". The conference is implemented in the frame of the Erasmus+ 2022 Staff Training Week, in collaboration with the Department of International Relations of the University of Crete in Heraklion. Attendees include 44 lecturers from 41 Universities inside and outside Europe.

Read the full program [here](#)

21/9 28th Research Seminar - Joint Seminar Series in Translational and Clinical Medicine 2022

The 28th Research Seminar of the Joint Seminar Series in Translational and Clinical Medicine, organized by the Medical School of the University of Crete, the Foundation for Research and Technology (FORTH), the University of Crete Research Center for the Humanities and the Social and Education Sciences (UCRC) presents: "Dyadic relationships and their impact on adaptation to chronic illness" by Evangelos Karadimas, Professor of Clinical Health Psychology, Department of Psychology, UoC, Director of the Laboratory of Applied Psychology and President of the European Health Psychology Society.

21/9 Presentation of fixOflex™ at the Innovation Day (iNovation day)

Ioannis Pallikaris, Professor Emeritus of the School of Medicine of the University of Crete, Founder and Head of Medicine at EYE PCR, presented fixOflex™, a unique eye implant for cataract surgery and refractive lens exchange surgery. EYE PCR, a high-tech scientific company focused on preserving and improving vision, participated in the iNovation day during the 2022 European Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgery (ESCRS) annual meeting.

22/9 "Aeschylus' The Suppliant Maidens (Hiketides): Female Migration and Political Identity"



Emmanuela Schinoplokaki, Doctoral Candidate at the University of California and Visiting Researcher at the University of Crete Research Center for the Humanities and the Social and Education Sciences (UCRC) collaborates with the Classical Studies Laboratory of the Department of Philology and gives a lecture on "Aeschylus Suppliant Maidens (Hiketides). Female Immigration and Political Identity" in the frame of the Thursday Seminars organized by UCRC for the winter semester 2022-2023.

26/9 1st meeting Training of the Trainers (TotT): Round table discussion & Presentation of the COALITION Program

The TotT@UoC initiative of the University of Crete organizes the first meeting for 2022-23 at the Open Amphitheatre with a round table discussion & presentation of the European COALITION program. The program focuses on the self-regulated development of academic staff through self-assessment processes, monitoring protocols, teaching practices that promote student-centered and inclusive learning in higher education, action research and assessment as a learning tool. Speakers: Ms. Kallia Katsamboxaki-Hodgetts & Ms. Eleni Katsaros.

<https://tott.uoc.gr/en/training-of-the-trainers-tott/>

26/9

seminar

Series of Seminars "The Meeting of Medicine with the Humanities" - 1st

The online series of interdisciplinary seminars organized by the Medical Museum of Crete and the University of Crete Research Center for the Humanities and the Social and Education Sciences (UCRC) presents Prof. Marina Tzakosta (Pedagogical Department of Preschool Education) and the topic "The position of the Cretan language in the linguistic landscape: Attitudes, dialectal identities and linguistic practices".

27/9

"Diamond in the rough: Quantifying failed innovative endeavors"

The Knowledge Transfer Office of the University of Crete organizes its 1st seminar for the academic year 2022-23 in collaboration with the Master's Program in Innovation and Entrepreneurship [TIME-MBE](#) and the [TECHNIS](#) research group. The topic of the seminar is "Diamond in the rough Quantifying failed innovative endeavors", presented by Prof. Zhen Lei from Penn State University.

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[CSR-School]

4th Corporate Sustainability & Responsibility School



For the fourth consecutive year, the CSR-School provides advanced training on the identification of sustainability-related business opportunities and the inclusion of responsibility in the core of business strategy, in order to achieve sustainable value and formulate a more resilient organization. The CSR-School is co-organized by the University of Crete in collaboration with CSR HELLAS (Hellenic Network for

Corporate Social Responsibility) and ALBA Graduate Business School - The American College of Greece, with support of the Center of Excellence for Sustainability of the American College of Greece. The program is directed to graduate students, PhD candidates and professionals.

For more information please visit: <https://csr-school.eu/>

30/9

Two-month workshop: "Writing research proposals and best practices for networking"

The Gender Equality Committee of the University of Crete organizes a two-month workshop on Writing Research Proposals and Best Practices from Networking from the September 30 to November 23. For more information please contact: eif@uoc.gr

3/10

Lecture: Antonis Augustakis, "Libya and other women in the series DOMINA (2021)"

The Classical Studies of UoC Department of Philology presents a series of Lectures titled "The Voice of the Alumni". Prof. Antonis Augustakis (University of Illinois, Urbana) will talk about "Libya and other women in the DOMINA series (2021)". The event is open to anyone interested and is organized as part of the seminar course "Epicurus in Rome".

3/10

Lecture: Iphigenia Giannadaki, "Wicked courtesans, cunning orators, and opportunistic merchants: Metics and the role of rhetoric in Athenian courts"

In the frame of Lecture Series "The Voice of Alumni", organized by the UoC Department of Philology / Classical Studies, Iphigenia Giannadaki (Florida State University) gives a lecture on "'Wicked courtesans, cunning orators, and opportunistic merchants: Metics and the role of rhetoric in Athenian courts'".

3/10 Event on internet addiction, gambling, social networks

The Postgraduate Program "Clinical Interventions in Addictions" offered by the Department of Psychology and the School of Medicine of the University of Crete in collaboration with the Organization Against Drugs (O.KA.NA) organizes the event: "Internet, gambling, social networks: when recreation becomes a threat"

4/10 Partnership Agreement of University of Crete and Organization Against Drugs (O.KA.NA.)



The Rector of the University of Crete, Professor Georgios M. Kontakis, and the President of the Organization Against Drugs (O.KA.NA), Mr. Athanasios Theoharis, signed on Tuesday, 4 October 2022, the extension of their partnership (dated from 2016) for the interdisciplinary Postgraduate Program "Clinical Interventions in Addictions". The Program is offered by the Department of Psychology and the School of Medicine of the University of Crete.

4/10 Memorandums of Partnership between the University of Crete and the Municipality of Rethymno

On Tuesday 4 October 2022, the University of Crete and the Municipality of Rethymno signed two Memorandums of Partnership. The Department of Primary Education and the Department of Preschool Education will collaborate with the Municipality of Rethymnon, towards the adoption of best practices for the connection of pedagogical theory and educational practice that will introduce innovative models in education and training.

5/10 Stand up for nature / The series



The Natural History Museum of Crete welcomes two afternoon workshops for children starting Wednesday, October 5, and every Wednesday until the end of the year: The workshop "The Band of the Museum" and the workshop "The Troupe of the Museum"!

Two animators will travel together with budding artists through the Museum's ecosystems and biotopes using theater and music as a vehicle, taking them to new exciting worlds built with the tools of science and art.

5/10 Seminar: "Gender Equality in Research and Innovation"

The Gender Equality Committee of the University of Crete organizes a seminar on "Gender Equality in Research and Innovation". Speaker is Dr. Haroula Tzanakou, Senior Lecturer of Human Resource Management and Co-Director of Center for Diversity Policy Research and Practice, Oxford Brookes Business School.

This seminar aims to raise awareness of the current situation of gender equality in Greece and Europe and provide insights into the significance of gender equality, the key concepts and how integrating the gender dimension in research can maximize excellence, creativity, economic opportunities and societal relevance. It will give answers to all questions on gender norms and stereotypes, increase understanding of genders' needs, behaviors and attitudes and connect you with tools to embed gender equality in your current and future research.

[Read more](#)

6/10 Seminar: "Ordoliberalism and Crisis in Southern Europe and Greece"

As part of the Thursday Seminars organized by UCRC, Dr. Stelios Tzagarakis, Professor and Field Manager of The Center for Political Research and Documentation (KEPET) of the Department of Political Science, gives a lecture on "Ordoliberalism and Crisis in Southern Europe and Greece".



7/10 Online event "The HORIZON-WIDERA program. Challenges and prospects"



The event is part of the actions of UoC Research Center for the Humanities, the Social and Education Sciences (UCRC) for the development of research. It aims to provide an introduction on the HORIZON-WIDERA program and to promote the exchange of views and expertise in research proposal writing.

8/10 "Discovering our cells", a different book presentation with microscopes!

The 2nd edition of the children's book "Discovering our cells" by Mrs. Maria Lampropoulou, Professor of Histology-Embryology at the Department of Medicine at the Democritus University of Thrace, will be presented at the Natural History Museum of Crete. Professor Mrs. Nikitovic -Tzanakaki, will provide microscopes for the presentation from the Laboratory of Histology of Medicine of the University of Crete.

10/10 Workshop "Religion and Ethics"

The Philosophical Research and Translation Lab of the Department of Philosophy and Social Studies of the University of Crete, the Postgraduate programme "Philosophy: Knowledge, Values and Society" and the UoC Research Center for the Humanities and the Social and Education Sciences (UCRC) organize the Workshop: "Religion and Ethics".

Main speaker: Terence Cuneo, Department of Philosophy, University of Vermont

Participants:

Nikos Asproulis (Volos Academy of Theological Studies, Hellenic Open University)

Maria Venieri (Department of Philosophical and Social Studies, University of Crete)

Stelios Virvidakis (Department of History and Philosophy of Science, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens)

Michalis Filippou (Department of History and Philosophy of Science, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens)

12/10 2nd meeting of Teaching and Learning Support Office of the University of Crete (Training of the Trainers – TotT)

The Committee of the TotT@UOC initiative (Training of the Trainers) organizes the 2nd TotT online meeting for the academic year 2022-2023 titled: "Designing inclusive lessons that foster learner autonomy and success" presented by Dr. Hadas Shelly-Huber, Head of the Communication Department, lecturer at Gordon Academic College for Education (Haifa, Israel).

12/10 Career Day with EY Greece



The Career and Liaison Office (CLO) of UoC organizes a Career Day in collaboration with EY Greece. The event is addressed to all students and graduates of the School of Science and Engineering and the Department of Economics of University of Crete. During the Career Day, participants have the opportunity to meet EY Greece and discuss with executives from the HR Department and to attend a 90-minute interactive workshop on LinkedIn about job searching and building a successful professional digital profile on the platform.

12/10 30th Research Seminar - Joint Seminar Series in Translational and Clinical Medicine

The Medical School of the University of Crete, the Institute of Molecular Biology and Biotechnology of the Foundation for Research and Technology (IMBB-FORTH) and the University of Crete Research Center for the Humanities, the Social and Education Sciences (UCRC), organize the 30th Research Seminar, as part of Joint Seminar Series in Translational and Clinical Medicine, "Microbiome: From Basic Research to Clinical Practice", presented by Ilias Lagouvardos, Researcher, Head of Microbial Bioinformatics research group, Technical University of Munich and Scientific Partner of IMBB-FORTH.

12/10 Gerhard Ernst Lectures

Gerhard Ernst, Professor at the University of Erlangen-Nürnberg, presents two lectures titled: "The foundations of epistemology-the methods of philosophy"

and "The foundations of ethics-the methods of philosophy" in the frame of the Erasmus+ Programme.

14/10 Conference by the Gender Equality Committee of the University of Crete

The Committee for Gender Equality (E.I.F.) of the University of Crete presents the conference: "Non-normative gender identities and expressions of sexuality: from acceptance to inclusion". The conference is part of a series of events focusing on gender & discrimination.

14/10 Career Fair: Meet the companies



The Postgraduate Students' Association of UoC's Computer Science Department in collaboration with the Computer Science Department and the Career and Liaison Office of UoC, organize for the third time this year the event "Career Fair: Meet the companies" for students, graduates, and anyone interested in computer science. During the event, students and alumni will have the opportunity to participate in interviews and present their skills and aspirations to potential employers.

[Read more](#)

14/10 Lecture by P. Arvanitis – Department of Philology

The Division of Byzantine and Modern Greek Philology presents a lecture by Prof. Panagiotis Arvanitis from Freie Universität Berlin titled: Jean-Paul Sartre and Albert Camus in post-modern Greece: Tools for understanding their historical conflict (1952-1960)".



18-19/10 **Assessment Days of the UoC Internship Office**

The Internship Office of UoC presents "Assessment Days", featuring student experiences and reports from UoC Departments and Internship providers (private and public) for the period 2018-2022.

22-23/10 **1st Interdisciplinary two-day Conference – Dept of Philology**

The purpose of the two-day conference organized by Dept of Philology is to strengthen interdisciplinary exchanges between professors and to provide updated information about the trends and demands in modern research, but also to familiarize students with the terms and conditions of scientific research.

24/10 **The Crisis of Democracy | "Free competition: guarding/regulation and democracy"**



The School of Social Sciences of University of Crete, organizes a series of seminars on "The Crisis of De-

mocracy", which is open to members of the University community and anyone else interested in the subject. The first session opens with the seminar "Free competition: guarding/regulation and democracy", presented by Mr. Dimitris Seremetes, Associate Professor of Applied Economics in the University of the Aegean, with the participation of Mr. Stefanos Demetriou, Professor of Political Philosophy in Panteion University.

25/10 **On the Expressive Function of Open Source**



The Knowledge Transfer Office of University of Crete and the Master program in Business Economics TIME-MBE, organize the 2nd Seminar for the academic year 2022-2023 with Mr. Stefan Bechtold from ETH Zurich, presenting the study titled "On the Expressive Function of Open Source". The study investigates whether developers comply with open-source software licenses. Analyzing a large network of code reuse hosted on GitHub, the study suggests that license compliance matters for cumulative innovation even in a low-enforcement environment.

[See more](#)

25/10 **Sustainability, care and gender equality: Challenges for transforming the public university**

The Sustainability Committee and the Gender Equality Committee of the University of Crete, co-organize an online round table discussion on Tuesday October 25 to exchange ideas on the design of more inclusive public policies and support actions by the university administration, towards a process of change con-

sistent with the ideas of care, focusing on successful practices that link research and education to the needs of communities.

Distinguished scholars will share their thoughts and experience for various academic and policy contexts to initiate public dialogue.

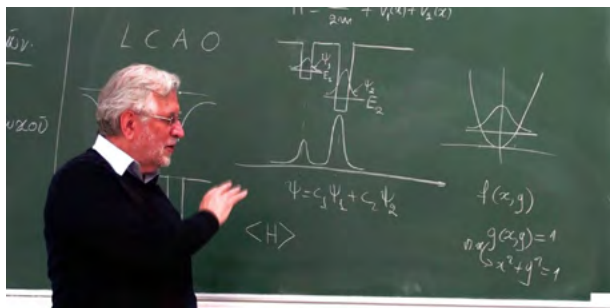
[Read more](#)

26/10 "Science in the City" at Researcher's Night in Rethymno

The Laboratory of Science Teaching of the UoC Department of Primary Education, and specifically the Science and Technology Centre "Science in the City", participates and supports the Researcher's Evening organized this year by the Hellenic Mediterranean University (H.M.U.) at the Institute of Plasma Physics and Laser, located in the area of Tria Monastiria, Rethymno.

The facilities of "Science in the City" host several experiments of Chemistry, Physics, Technology and Robotics with the use of new technologies. A series of speeches by the Directors of EL.ME.PA laboratories will follow at the House of Culture. The event will be concluded with the presentation of the Science Teaching Laboratory by Prof. Dimitris Stavrou.

26/10 Event in honor of Stefanos Trahanas



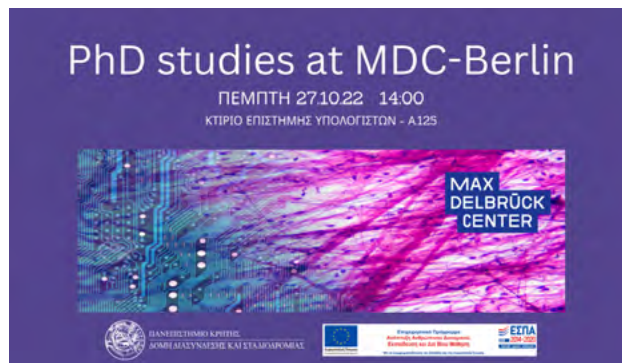
The Department of Physics of the University of Crete organizes an event to honor Stefanos Trahanas, Professor Emeritus of the University of Crete and former Director of the Crete University Press for four decades of voluntary, continuous quality teaching of advanced physics courses to many generations of students.

<https://youtu.be/nSpwcysFy4A>.

Title of the honoree's speech: "Is God still playing dice with the world?"

27/10 Information event on Doctoral studies and career in Germany

The Career and Liaison Office of the University of Crete organizes an event to present PhD Programs at Max Delbrück Center (Berlin, Germany, <https://www.mdc-berlin.de/>), focused on the research field of Systems Medicine and Cardiovascular Diseases. Data Science is one of the interdisciplinary focus areas of the Center, extending its research collaborations beyond life sciences (e.g., earth sciences, environment, materials science, astronomy) through the HEIBRiDS (Helmholtz Einstein Berlin International School in Data Science, <https://www.heibrids.berlin/>) PhD program. Dr. Eirini Kouskoumvekaki, Scientific Coordinator of HEIBRiDS and Data Science & AI Focus Area at the MDC and Dr. Ioannis Legouras, Head of International Programs, Deputy Head Research Funding, MDC Berlin-Buch will be the key speakers of the event.



27-29/10 International Conference ASSET 2022 | Dept of Economics, UoC

The Department of Economics of the University of Crete in Rethymno hosts the International Conference ASSET 2022.

ASSET, the Association of Southern-European Economic Theorists, is a group of twenty one economics departments and economics research centres located in Cyprus, France, Greece, Israel, Italy, Portugal, Spain, Tunisia and Turkey. The purpose of the association is to encourage cooperation and exchange

of researchers and ideas among the participating research institutions in the general field of analytical and quantitative economics and econometrics. Through its annual meetings ASSET is gradually becoming a focal point in southern Europe and the Mediterranean region for scientific exchanges in all areas of economics.

[See more](#)

31/10 Ancient Philosophy Seminar H.E. 2022-2023



A series of lectures for the winter semester 2022-23 of the Ancient Philosophy Seminar, organized by the Laboratory of Philosophical Research and Translation and the Master Program "Philosophy: Knowledge, Values and Society" of the Department of Philosophical & Social Studies and the UoC Research Center (UCRC). The speaker of the first lecture on October 31 is Prof. Istvan Perczel (CEU) who will present the topic "Soul, Body and Resurrection: Phaedo 66b-c in Plotinus and the Christian Platonist Tradition"

[See more](#)

31/10 Series of Lectures "The University in Society"

The Series of Lectures "The University in Society" is organized again this year by the School of Social Sciences of the University of Crete and the Research Center for Humanities (UCRC) in collaboration with

the Regional Unit of Rethymno and the Municipality of Rethymno. The first lecture presents the topic: "Crisis, Social Inequalities and Social Policy".

Speakers:

Souliotis Kyriakos, Professor at the Department of Social & Educational Policy and Dean of the School of Social and Political Sciences of the University of Peloponnese.

Nikolaos Papadakis, Professor at the Department of Political Science, University of Crete, Director of K.E.P.E.T. (Center for Political Research and Documentation), Director of KE.DI.VI.M. (Education & Lifelong Learning Center) of the University of Crete.

Tzagarakis Stylianos-Ioannis, Lecturer at the Department of Political Science, University of Crete.

Comments:

Georgios Sahinis, Journalist at "CRETE TV", "Nea Kriti" and "Radio station 9.84". General Manager of the "CRETE TV" Group.

Coordination:

Zavvou Alexandra, Assistant Professor at the Department of Sociology, University of Crete, Member of the Organizing Committee of the Lecture Series.



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