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Curriculum Vitae

SPECIAL INTERESTS

Classical philosophy, namely Plato and Aristotle; philosophy of Late Antiquity, in particular Plotinus and the late commentary tradition, i.e. Ammonius Hermeiou, Ioannes Philoponus, Simplicius; psychology, cosmology and physics of Late Antiquity; history of the late Platonic school of Alexandria, 5th- 6th century CE.

EDUCATION

2009- 2013: Ph. D. Designatus Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin. Dissertation entitled: “Philoponus on *τόπος*. Redefining Place in Late Antiquity”. Dissertation advisors: Prof. Dr. Christoph Helmig (Universität zu Köln), Prof. Dr. Christian Wildberg (Princeton University). Note: magna cum laude.

October 2014- July 2015: Postdoctoral Fellowship Fernand Braudel, Laboratoire d’Excellence Religions et sociétés dans le monde Méditerranéen, Centre Léon Robin, Paris IV-Sorbonne.

July – December 2013: Visiting Researcher at TOPOI Excellence Cluster, Berlin.

November 2011- March 2012: Visiting Student Research Collaborator at Department of Classics, Princeton University.

October 2010: Summer School “Griechische Paläographie, Handschriftenkunde und Editionswissenschaft“, Zentrum Grundlagenforschung Alte Welt, Berlin-Brandenburgische Akademie der Wissenschaften (BBAW).

2006- 2009: Courses on Greek Palaeography, Center for History and Palaeography (National Bank Cultural Foundation, MIET), (Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Agamemnon Tselikas).

2004- 2007: MPhil, Philosophy and History of Science, Department of Methodology, History and Theory of Sciences, University of Athens, Greece. Note: Excellent (8.59).

July 2006: Summer Course “Philosophy and Science in the Greek-Roman world”, Centre for Hellenic Traditions, Central European University, Budapest.

1999- 2003: BA Philosophy, Department of Philosophy, University of Patras, Greece. Note: Very good (8.35).

SCHOLARSHIPS

June 2009- May 2012: Doctoral Fellow, TOPOI Excellence Cluster (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin).

2005- 2006: State Scholarships Foundation of Greece (IKY). Field: Ancient Philosophy (University of Athens).

2001- 2002: Award by the State Scholarships Foundation of Greece (IKY).

PUBLICATIONS

Reviews

Παπαχρήστου, Ιωάννης: (Βιβλιοκρισία του:) Λάμπρος Κουλουμπαρίτης: *Η Φυσική του Αριστοτέλους* (Αθήνα: Ακαδημία Αθηνών 2012). *Κριτικά* 2014-05, <<http://www.philosophica.gr/critica/2014-05.html>>.

Παπαχρήστου, Ι.: (Βιβλιοκρισία του:) Pierre Hadot: *Πλωτίνος ή η απλότητα του βλέμματος* (Αθήνα: Αρμός 2007). *Κριτικά* 2009-12, <<http://www.philosophica.gr/critica/2009-12.html>>

Papachristou, I. (2006), “Ursula Coope, *Time for Aristotle. Physics IV. 10-14*”, *Rhizai* III/2, pp. 335- 338.

Books and Articles in progress

Article on “Philoponus on the Eternity of the Cosmos”, (Forthcoming in the volume: Mariev, S. (ed.), *Byzantine Perspectives on Neoplatonism*, Byzantinisches Archiv, De Gruyter, 2015).

Lemmas: “The Neoplatonic School of Alexandria”, “The Case of Hypatia”, “Olympiodorus”, “Ioannes Philoponus” for the Encyclopedia of Plato, Project “The Academy of Plato”, Greece (*Forthcoming*).

Article on “Philoponus on the Forced Motion of Projectiles” (*in progress*).

Article on “*Noesis* and *dianoia*: two different ways of thinking in Plotinus” (*in progress*).

Article on “Philoponus and the transformation of the Aristotelian principles concerning place” (*in progress*).

Book project in progress: “Philoponus on *τόπος*. Redefining Place in Late Antiquity” (Doctoral Dissertation).

INVITED LECTURES

“On the prooimion of John Philoponus’ Commentary on Aristotle’s *De anima*”
Conference in memoriam of Voula Kotzia, Aristotle’s University of Thessaloniki, Thessaloniki, September 25th- 27th 2014.

“Philoponus on the Eternity of the Cosmos”
International Society of Neoplatonic Studies, Universidade de Lisboa, Lisbon, June 17th 2014.

“From place to place: Aristotle and Philoponus define place”
2nd Greek Conference on Philosophy of Science, University of Athens, Athens, November 29th- December 1st 2012.

“The Greek commentators on argument-structure in *Physics* I-IV”
Conference on *The Argument-Structure of Aristotle’s Physics*, Humboldt University, Berlin, June 9th-10th 2012.

“Philoponus on place as extension and measure”
Conference on *Philosophy of Place/Space in Late Antiquity. Reconsidering Simplicius’ Corollary on Place*, Academia Platonica Septima Monasteriensis, Villa Vigoni, Loveno di Menaggio (CO), Italy, September 18th-21st 2011.

“What is a corollarium? The case of Ioannes Philoponus”
Workshop *The Corollaries in the Commentaries on Aristotle’s Physics by Simplicius and Philoponus*, Humboldt University, Berlin, June 24th – 25th 2010.

“Notes on a manuscript of Theophilus Corydallea’s commentary on Aristotle’s *De anima*”
Historical and Palaeographical Archive of the Educational Foundation of National Bank of Greece (MIET), Athens, November 2008.

“Scholia in Theophrasti *Metaphysica*, 5b19- 6b22”
Conference on ‘Theophrastus’ *Metaphysics*’, South Eastern Association of Ancient Philosophy, Central European University, Budapest, June 26th- 28th 2008.

“Non-discursive and discursive thought in Plotinus”
Summer Course *Philosophy and Science in the Greek-Roman world*, Centre for Hellenic Traditions, Central European University, Budapest, July 2006.

PAPERS

- (1) MPhil Dissertation: “*Noesis* and *dianoia*: two different ways of thinking in Plotinus”, Advisors: Prof. Dr. Paul Kalligas (University of Athens) and Prof. Dr. Katerina Ierodiakonou (University of Athens), (2007).
- (2) “Comments on the uses of the verb *to be* in Aristotle’s *De interpretatione* 10”, Advisor: Prof. Dr. Michael Frede, (2006).
- (3) “Knowledge and false statements in Plato’s *Theaetetus*”, (2005).
- (4) “Potential, passive and active intellect in Aristotle’s *De anima*”, (2004).
- (5) BA Dissertation: “The genesis of time in Plotinus’ treatise III.7 (45), *On eternity and time*”, Advisor: Dr. Eleni Perdikouri (University of Patras), (2003).
- (6) “The notion of “intelligible” matter in Plotinus’ treatise II. 4 (12), *On matter*”, (2002).
- (7) “Phenomenology and Aristotelian ethics”, (2002).
- (8) “Presentation of Plato’s *Parmenides*”, (2001).
- (9) “Plato’s *Phaedo*: the argument of soul’s immortality (78b- 84b)”, (2000).

SEMINARS

2011: “Philoponus’ definition of place”, TOPOI Research Seminar (D-II-2, “Place, Space and Motion”, Humboldt- Universität zu Berlin).

2009- 2010: Lectures on Philoponus’ proems of the commentaries on *Categories*, *Physics*, *De anima* and *Prior analytics* in the seminar “Simplikios aus Kilikien: Prologe zu den Aristoteleskommentaren” (Supervisor Prof. Dr. Christoph Helmig, Graduate School of Ancient Philosophy, Humboldt- Universität zu Berlin).

2009: Lectures on Philoponus’ digression on the void given in the framework of the seminar “Aristotle and the Aristotelian commentators on the void” (Seminar held by Prof. Dr. Jonathan Beere and Prof. Dr. Christoph Helmig, TOPOI Excellence Cluster, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin).

2004- 2009: Translation and commentary on Plato’s *Phaedo* (76d7- 79c, 92c11- 95b4), Aristotle’s *Metaphysics* Γ (1010a18- 1010b9, 1011b35- 1012a29), Aristotle’s *Topics* A (103b20- 104a2) and Aristotle’s *Metaphysics* Λ (1071b3- 1072b4) in the context of the seminar “Ancient Greek Philosophical Texts (Plato and Aristotle)” held by Prof. Dr. Vassilis Karasmanis and Prof. Dr. Paul Kalligas (University of Athens).

ORGANIZATION OF WORKSHOPS

- (1) 2010: Plotinus Colloquium in Athens, “On intelligible matter”.
- (2) 2007: “Thought Experiments in Methodological and Historical Contexts”, (Reference: K. Ierodiakonou, S. Roux (2011), *Thought Experiments in Methodological and Historical Contexts*, Brill, Leiden).

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Greek (Mother tongue)
English (Advanced)
French (Intermediate)
German (Intermediate)
Ancient Greek (Advanced)
Latin (Intermediate)
Classic Ottoman (Intermediate)