Wednesday, 30 January 2019 - Acropolis Museum

10.00 - 10.30 Registration

10.30 - 11.10 Opening remarks

Associate Prof. Ioannis Papadopoulos  
Head of Research Unit “European Policies & Democracy”  
University of Macedonia (Greece)

Dr. Efstathios Koutsochinas  
President of the Thessaloniki Bar Association (Greece)

Prof. Spyridon Flogaitis  
Director of the European Public Law Organization (EPLO)

11.10 - 11.30 Keynote speech

Hon. Emily O’Reilly, European Ombudsman

11.30 - 12.45 The Change in Constitutional Identity after the Crisis

Prof. Georgios Gerapetritis, University of Athens (Greece)

Constitutional Institutions in Crisis

Prof. Xenophon Kontiadiis, Panteion University (Greece)

Judicial Populism

Assist. Prof. Akritas Kaidatzis, Aristotle Univ. of Thessaloniki (Greece)

Discussant

Prof. Nikolaos Alivizatos, University of Athens (Greece)

12.45 - 13.15 Coffee break

13.15 - 14.00 The Deconstitutive Moment

Assoc. Prof. Ioannis Papadopoulos, Univ. of Macedonia (Greece)

New Perspectives on Democratic Theory

Mr. Alexandros Kyriakidis, PhD cand. Univ. of Macedonia (Greece)

14.00 - 14.30 Keynote Speech: Citizen-led Constitutional Change

Mr. Terry Bouricius, form. member Vermont House of Rep. (USA)

Mr. David Schecter, Assoc. Dir. R&D newDemocracy Found. (USA)
14.30 - 16.30  Coffee break

16.30 - 18.00  Keynote speech: The Rising Power of the Unelected as a Challenge to Democracy
Prof. Yannis Papadopoulos, Univ. of Lausanne (Switzerland)

Discussants from COST Action CA17135 Working Groups
Prof. Paul Blokker, Charles University (Czech Republic)
Dr. Monika Mokre, Austrian Academy of Sciences (Austria)
Prof. Marie Dufrasne, Université Saint-Louis (Belgium)

18.00 - 19.00  Justice and Democracy
Hon. Vasileios Peppas, Chief Justice of the Greek Supreme Court
Hon. Aikaterini Sakellaropoulou, Chief Justice of the Greek Council of State
Hon. Androniki Theotokatou, Chief Justice of the Greek Court of Audit

19.00 - 20.00  Justice in practice (Thessaloniki Bar Association)
Mr. Stylianos Mauridis, 1st Vice-President, Board of Directors
Mr. Ioannis Androulakis, Member, Board of Directors
Mr. Dimitrios Tsakos, Lawyer
Mr. Ioannis Choromidou, Lawyer

Thursday, 31 January 2019 - Acropolis Museum

10.00 - 10.15  Registration

10.15 - 11.00  EU and Accountability: Legitimacy through Trust and the Role of the External Auditor
Hon. Nikolaos Milionis, Vice-President of EU Court of Auditors

The Contribution of Public Administration in Guarding Democracy through Combating Corruption
Ms. Ernolifi Soultaanidou, Inspector of Public Administration (Greece)

11.00 - 12.00  The Right to Good Fiscal Governance: Political Choice or Democratic Necessity?
Prof. Dimitrios Skiadas, University of Macedonia (Greece)

Deliberative Democracy between Equals: The Role of Intercultural Dialogue for social inclusion and countering elite deliberation
Assoc. Prof. Despoina Anagnostopoulou, Univ. of Macedonia (Greece)

12.00 - 13.00  Journalism and Democracy
Mr. Yannis Pretenteris, Journalist (Greece)
Ms. Sia Kosioni, Journalist (Greece)

13.00 - 14.00  Coffee break

14.00 - 15.30  Democracy and disagreement
Assoc. Prof. Xenophon Paparrigopoulos, Univ. of Peloponnese (Greece)

Expressions of the idea of equality within democracy
Prof. Konstantinos Papageorgiou, University of Athens (Greece)

The parliamentary representation crisis and the American Revolution
Prof. Philimon Paionidis, Aristotle Univ. of Thessaloniki ( Greece)

Direct Democracy as antidemocratic pretense
Em. Prof. Periklis Vallianos, University of Athens (Greece)

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09.00 - 09.15  Registration

09.15 - 10.45  Room 1

Representative democracy and the citizen's right to express dissatisfaction with the current government policy: Remarks about the constitutional crisis in Poland in 2015-2018
Assist. Prof. Anna Michalak, University of Lodz (Poland)
Rethinking democracy through federalism: Citizen participation, power-sharing and decision-making processes
*Dr. Martina Trettel*, Institute for Comparative Federalism (Italy)

Citizens’ Assemblies as a Response to Crisis in Representative Democracy: The Case of Iceland
*Prof. Eirikur Bergmann*, Bifrost University (Iceland)

The impact of International Agreements on the constitutional changes: Case study of FYROM
*Dr. Viktoria Chavkoska*, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of FYROM
*Assoc. Prof. Biljana Chavkoska*, International Balkan University (FYROM)

Discussion on the deliberative practices on local level: The case of Lithuania
*Sr. Lecturer Jurga Bucaite Vilke*, Vytautas Magnus University (Lithuania)
*Assoc. Prof. Aistė Lazauskienė*, Vytautas Magnus University (Lithuania)

Room 2

Can Rawlsians be constitutional deliberative democrats?
*Mr. Deven Burks*, PhD cand. Univ. du Luxembourg (Luxembourg)

The Unbearable Lightness of Logos: Democracy, Crisis and Thucydides
*Assist. Prof. Mark Fisher*, Georgetown University (USA)

The evolution of democratic preferences among Belgian Green parties
*Mr. Benjamin Biard*, PhD cand. Univ. catholique de Louvain (Belgium)
*Mr. Jehan Bottin*, PhD cand. Univ. catholique de Louvain (Belgium)
*Mr. Mathias Sabbe*, PhD cand. Univ. catholique de Louvain (Belgium)
*Mr. Max Cogels*, PhD cand. Univ. catholique de Louvain (Belgium)

Nationwide Referendum in Poland in 2015: Media Discourse
*Prof. Maria Marczewska-Rytko*, Maria Curie-Skłodowska University (Poland)

10.45 - 11.15 Coffee break

11.15 - 13.00 Room 1

Women as a minority in the society: When, why and how?
*Prof. Mileva Gjurovska*, St. Cyril and Methodius University (FYROM)

Between the hammer and the anvil: The democratic roles of public servants organizing deliberative processes
*Mr. Jehan Bottin*, PhD cand. Univ. catholique de Louvain (Belgium)

Room 2

Constitution as a sign of protest: Debate about the rule of law in Poland
*Prof. Agnieszka Kampka*, Warsaw Univ. of Life Sciences (Poland)

How to Popularize Deliberation? On the Need to Integrate Deliberation into Citizens’ Daily Lives
*Mr. Ramon van der Does*, PhD cand. Univ. catholique de Louvain (Belgium)

Participation, deliberation, democratic innovation and resource mobilization: A social movement-based case study from Portugal
*Prof. Pedro Pereira Neto*, School for Communication and Media Studies (Portugal)

The Sortition Activists: Sociology of new democratic claims in France
*Mr. Dimitri Courant*, PhD cand. Univ. of Lausanne (Switzerland)
16.00 - 16.15 Coffee break

16.15 - 17.15 Room 1

Is deliberation possible in the modern democratic context?
Assist. Prof. Spyros Makris, University of Macedonia (Greece)

Democracy Indicators in the Policy Agenda “Women, Peace and Security”
Assist. Prof. Fotini Bellou, University of Macedonia (Greece)

Perceptions of Democracy of Greek Political Science Students: The Demand for Consensual Politics
Prof. Asteris Huliaras, University of Peloponnese (Greece)
Dr. Sotirios Vandoros, University of Peloponnese (Greece)

16.15 - 17.30 Room 2

Is democracy possible without subordination? Plato and Benjamin Constant on political freedom and arbitrariness
Dr. Panos Eliopoulos, University of Ioannina (Greece)

Applying Advertising Standards to Political Campaigning
Ms. Alev Scott, Journalist (Greece)

17.15 - 17.45 Room 1

Democratic deficit in European Union and the subsidiarity principle
Assist. Prof. Vasiliki Delitheou, Panteion University (Greece)
Mr. Athinodoros Doussis, PhD cand. Panteion University (Greece)

Civilizing Governance? Civilizational Logic Within the EU and its Normative Intricacies
Assist. Prof. Kyriakos Mikelis, University of Macedonia (Greece)
Assoc. Lecturer Dimitrios Stroikos, University of York (UK)

17.45 - 19.15 Room 2

Radical right populist parties and the crisis of representative democracy: A paradoxical fate?
Mr. Benjamin Biard, PhD cand. Univ. catholique de Louvain (Belgium)

Deliberation, populism and the right to the city: The case of Barcelona
Assoc. Prof. Camil Ungureanu, Pompeu Fabra University (Spain)

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19.15 - 20.15 COST Action CA17135 CENTROPE meeting
(closed for audience)

Friday, 1 February 2019 - Acropolis Museum

10.00 - 10.15 Registration

10.15 - 11.45 COST Action CA17135 Working Group meetings
(open for audience)

11.45 - 12.15 COST Action CA17135 closing session (open for audience)
12.15 - 13.15  COST Action CA17135 Core Group meeting  
(closed for audience)

13.15 - 15.15  Coffee break

15.15 - 16.45  Good legislating as a foundation of good administration  
and democratic governance  
*Dr. Andreas Pottakis, Greek Ombudsman*

**Chief Prosecutor of the Greek Supreme Court**  
*Ms. Anna Zairi, Deputy Chief Prosecutor of the Greek  
Supreme Court*

**The Greek justice system during the crisis**  
*Mr. Vasileios Markis, former Deputy Chief Prosecutor of  
the Greek Supreme Court*

16.45 - 17.15  Coffee break

18.45 - 19.00  Conference closing  
*Associate Prof. Ioannis Papadopoulos*  
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