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**Philhellenism and the Greek Revolution of 1821:
Towards a Global History**



15 – 17 March 2023
Stavros Niarchos Foundation
Cultural Center

09.30 – 10.00: Official opening – Welcome (Invited officials)

10.20 – 10.30: Introduction to the conference, Michalis Sotiropoulos, British School at Athens

10.30 – 12.00: The Greek Revolution, slavery and the politics of race

- **Lilia Diamantopoulou**, University of Munich

Fighting for freedom: The Black experience in the Greek Independence war

- **Giorgos Giannikos**, University of the Peloponnese

Ελληνική Επανάσταση και Αφροαμερικανικός τύπος: η φιλελληνική στάση της εφημερίδας «Freedom's Journal» [The Greek Revolution and the African-American press: The philhellenism of the newspaper Freedom's Journal]

- **Alasdair Grant**, University of Hamburg

Thomas Gordon, Philhellenism and Slavery

Break

12.30 – 14.00: Philhellenism and empire: British politics and the colonial imagination

- **Aristides Hatzis**, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

“The ornament of the House of Brunswick”: The Duke of Sussex and his involvement in Greek Affairs from 1817 to 1828

- **Sakis Gekas**, York University, Toronto – via zoom

“Neutrality does not bother me”: Charles Napier, Philhellenism as colonial benevolence, and the Ionian Islands during the Revolution

- **Paul Stock**, London School of Economics

The idea of Greece in British geographical thought, 1770–1830

Lunch break

15.30-17.30: Philhellenism and political ideas: Despotism, friendship and historical thought

- **Alexandra Sfoini**, National Hellenic Research Foundation, Athens

Ο λόγος περί οθωμανικού δεσποτισμού στην Ευρώπη κατά την Ελληνική Επανάσταση [Discourse on Ottoman despotism in Europe during the Greek Revolution]

- **Simos Zenios**, University of California at Los Angeles – via zoom

‘The furious chaos of friend and foe’: Philhellenism and literary forms of political subjectivity

- **Nikolas Pissis**, Ionian University, Corfu

On the first German histories of the Greek Revolution

- **Elisavet Papalexopoulou**, European University Institute, Florence

Roxandra Stourdza: Networks, relationships, and the religious politics of Philhellenic Europe

Break

18.00 – 19.00: Keynote lecture

- **Georgios Varouxakis**, Queen Mary University of London

In the name of Europe, Christendom, or the Occident? Resurgent Hellas and the Idea of the West

09.30 – 11.00: Transnational Philhellenism (1): Networks, the public sphere, and the politics of opposition in Restoration Europe

- **Anna Karakatsouli**, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
Ο Φιλελληνισμός στην Αντιπολίτευση [Philhellenism in opposition]
- **Vicky Karafoulidou**, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
Όψεις του γαλλικού φιλελληνισμού: η περίπτωση της Revue Encyclopédique τη δεκαετία του 1820 [Aspects of French Philhellenism: The case of the Revue Encyclopédique during the 1820s]
- **Yanna Tzourmana**, Panteion University, Athens
Networks of political mobilisation: London associations and the early 19th-century revolutions

Break

11.30 – 13.00: Philhellenism as culture

- **Spiridoula Demetriou**, Independent scholar
Philhellene art and Mesologgi as the crucible of the Greek Revolution globally (working title).
- **Alexander Grammatikos**, Langara College, Vancouver
Staged pleasantries and imagined communities: Alexandros Mavrokordatos and Theodoros Kolokotronis in Romantic-era British literature
- **William Barton**, University of Innsbruck
'Cultural' Philhellenism in 19th-century Paris: The correspondence of Georges Theocharopoulos and Charles-Benoît Hase

Lunch break

14.30 – 16.00: Transnational Philhellenism (2): The Mediterranean

- **Lucien Frary**, Rider University, New Jersey
Russian Philhellenes and Ionian Russophiles: Tsarist interventions, military traditions, and political experimentation (1768–1821)
- **Maurizio Isabella**, Queen Mary University of London
Crossing the Mediterranean in the age of empire and revolution: From Sicily to the Greek world
- **Maria Christina Chatziioannou**, National Hellenic Research Foundation, Athens
Redefining the notion of Italian Philhellenism

Break

16.30 – 18.00: Networks of trade, knowledge and practice

- **Tzelina Harlafti**, University of Crete, Institute of Mediterranean Studies, Rethymno and **Katerina Galani**, National Hellenic Research Foundation, Athens
The transnational entrepreneurial networks of the Greeks, the shipping fleet and the 'loans of Independence' from Great Britain
- **Athanassios Barlagiannis**, Academy of Athens
Marin Bailly and Samuel Gridley Howe: Ideas and practices of a medical Philhellenism
- **Christos Aliprantis**, Bochum University and Center for Hellenic Studies in Greece, Harvard University
Ο Φιλελληνισμός και οι απαρχές της διακρατικής αστυνόμευσης στην κεντρική Ευρώπη, 1821–1830 [Philhellenism and the beginning of inter-state policing in central Europe, 1821–1830]

Break

18.30 – 19.00: Launch of the website Digital Finlay

09.30 – 11.00: Philhellenism as catalyst of a new world order

- **George Giannakopoulos**, City University, London and King's College London
Empire and the Ottoman East: E.A. Freeman and George Finlay on Greece and the 'Eastern Question'
- **Ada Dialla**, Athens School of Fine Arts
Russian Philhellenism and utopias for a 'new' world
- **Thomas R. Bull**, PhD candidate
Beyond the Revolution: The Afterlife of American Philhellenism and the Emergence of Humanitarianism

Break

11.30 – 13.00: Philhellenism in action: War and its echoes abroad

- **Iakovos Michailidis**, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
Philhellenes in the revolutionary army of Alexandros Ypsilantis: Transnational dimensions of the Greek Revolution
- **Romina N. Tsakiri**, National Library of Greece, Athens
Άγγλοι φιλελεύθεροι και Έλληνες οπλαρχηγοί. Η δράση του Leicester Fitzgerald Charles Stanhope [British liberals and Greek warlords: The activities of Leicester Fitzgerald Charles Stanhope]
- **Tzortzis Ikonou**, Stockholm University
Reading about the Revolution: The 'Telegrafo Greco' and European newspapers

Lunch break

14.30 – 16.30: Transnational Philhellenism (3): Women, students, national movements

- **Rachel Holmes**, Independent scholar
Proto-Feminist Philhellenism: How the Greek Revolution created a transnational women's rights movement
- **Miltos Pechlivanos**, Freie Universität, Berlin
Ο γερμανικός φοιτητικός εταιρισμός και η φιλελληνική κινητοποίηση [German student associationism and Philhellenic mobilisation]
- **Maria Kalinowska**, University of Warsaw
Between universality and particularity: The 1821 Greek uprising from the perspective of Polish Philhellenism – literature, journalism and political discourse
- **Denys Barau**, EHESS, Paris
From Greece to Poland: The installation of a model

Break

17.00 – 17.30: Concluding remarks and closing of the conference

- **Roderick Beaton**, British School at Athens
- **Stavros Zoumboulakis**, National Library of Greece, Athens

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During the Greek Revolution of 1821

<https://www.bsa.ac.uk/research-2/britishphilhellenism/>

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