



# INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Jewish communities between East and West, 15th-20th centuries: Economy, society, politics, culture



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Ioannina, **21-23** May 2015 Conference Centre «Karolos Papoulias» Campus University







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	Thursday 21 May
9:15-9:45	Adresses
9:45-10:00	Introductory remarks (Moses Elisaf, Leda Papastefanaki)
10:00-11:00	Session 1. Jewish Communities I - the case of Salonika
Chair	Moses Elisaf, Leda Papastefanaki
Evanghelos Hekimoglou	The "religious filter" in the history of urban transformation; Sephardim in Thessaloniki (15th-20th centuries)
Andreas Bouroutis	Alliance Israelite versus Hilfsverein: Cooperation and antagonism in the Jewish community of Thessaloniki (in greek)
Stratos Dordanas	State and Community in Thessaloniki: Ethnic routes in the city of diversity (1912-1940) (in greek)
11:00-11:30	Discussion
11:30-12:00	Coffee Break
12:00-13:00	Session 2. Resistance and the Holocaust I
Chair	Hagen Fleischer
Giorgos Margaritis	Antisemitism's "technical" aspects: the issue of "underground" economy (in greek)
Odette Varon-Vassard	The enlisting of Greek Jews in the Resistance: Silence, memory and discourse (in greek)
lason Chandrinos	The National Liberation Front (EAM) and the rescue of Jews in Nazi Occupied Greece, 1941-1944 (in greek)
13:00-13:30	Discussion
13:30-15:00	Lunch Break
15:15-16:15	Session 3. Occupation, Resistance and the Holocaust II
Chair	Odette Varon-Vassard
Maria Fragkou	From the Nuremberg laws to precautionary measures: The Italian Jews of Thessaloniki, 1941-1943 (in greek)
Garyfallia Micha	Holocaust in Greece: Late Deportations from the Islands (Corfu, Crete, Rhodes, Cos) (in greek)
	The Destruction of the Jewish Community of Ioannina, by the Nazis,
Alekos Raptis	on March 25, 1944 (in greek)



16:45-17:15	Coffee Break
17:15-18:15	Session 4. Discourses about the Holocaust
Chair	Giorgos Margaritis
Michal Govrin	Transmitted Memory and Fiction. Project for a Research Group and Workshop
Hagen Fleischer & Anna Maria Droumpouki	Clio and cliché. German diplomacy and media versus the "TV-(televised)-Holocaust" (in greek)
18:15-18:45	Discussion
18:45-19:30	Keynote Speech Henriette-Rika Benveniste, The idea of exile: Jewish texts and the Historiography of Salonika revisited
	End of 1st Day
20:30	Reception at the Town Hall from the Mayor of Ioannina
	Friday 22 May
10:00-11:11	Session 5. Jewish entrepreneurship
Chair	Anthony Molho
Orly C. Meron	Jewish and Greek Entrepreneurs in Comparative View: A Socio- demographic Profile of Businessmen in Metropolitan Northern Greece on the Eve of World War II
Ioanna Sapfo Pepelasis & Dimitrios Varvaritis	An unexplored facet of Jewish entrepreneurship in Greece: Jewish shareholders in joint stock company start-ups, 1830-1929
Leda Papastefanaki	Entrepreneurship and labour in the Jewish community of Ioannina (20th century): sources and questions
11:00-11:30	Discussion
11:30-12:00	Coffee Break
12:00-13:00	Session 6. Communities and networks
Chair	Eyal Ginio, Anna Mandylara
Pamela Dorn Sezgin	Between East and West: Italian Jews in the late Ottoman Empire
Anna Mahaira	Between market and politics: Jews of Marseille in the second half of 19th century (in greek)
Dilek Akyalçın Kaya	"Dreaming about Virgin Mary": Socio-economic dynamics of a civil



13:00-13:30	Discussion
13:30-15:00	Lunch Break
15:15-16:15	Session 7. Researching cultural identities
Chair	Henriette-Rika Benveniste
Annette B. Fromm	Why Is it Important? The Jewish Community of Ioannina
Daphne Lappa	Cross-cultural Networks, Mobility, and Religious Conversion in the 18th-century Eastern Mediterranean
Anna Mandylara	"Israelis", "Romaniotes" or "Greek-Jews"? Ideology and Identity in the making of the Jewish Community of Jannina, 1913-1940 (in greek)
16:15-16:45	Discussion
16:45-17:15	Coffee Break
17:15-18:15	Session 8. Jewish Communities II - Kavala, Corfu, Athens
Chair	Esther Solomon/Lampros Flitouris
Sakis Gekas	The absent presence. Discrimination and exclusion of Corfu Jews during the Ionian and Greek States (1815-1890s); economy, law and politics
Eyal Ginio	Enduring the Shift from an Empire to a Nation-State: The Case of the
	Jewish Community of Kavala
Philip Carabott	•
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	Saturday 23 May
10:00-11:00	Session 9. Jews in literature-Jews as intellectuals
Chair	Anna Mahaira
Fragiski Ampatzopoulou	Blood Libel in Modern Greek Literature (in greek)
Eleni Kourmantzi	Yossef Eliya: Intellectual and poet of the "protest" (in greek)
Dimitris Kargiotis	The Song of Songs: Yossef Eliya's subterranean intervention in the Greek literary canon (in greek)
11:00-11:30	Discussion
11:30-12:00	Coffee Break
12:00-13:00	Session 10. Post-war reconstruction of Jewish communities
Chair	Evanghelos Hekimoglou, John Kalef-Ezra
Eleni Beze	Political and social trends in Greek-Jewish society in the immediate aftermath of Second World War (in greek)
Maria Kavala	The post-war reconstruction of the Jewish community of Thessaloniki: data on the social-professional position of the survivors through marital archives (1945-1955) (in greek)
Esther Solomon	Displaying the past: The new permanent exhibition on the history of the Jewish community of loannina (in greek)
13:00-13:30	Discussion
13:30-14:00	Final conclusions of the conference (Anthony Molho, Anna Mahaira, Leda Papastefanaki)
14:00-17:30	Visit to the Jewish Cemetery, the Synagogue and the Islet of Ioannina. Farewell tsipouro with small lunch
	End of the conference

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