# FROM BYZANTIUM TO THE EARLY GREEK ENLIGHTENMENT

## BOOKS, AUTHORS, AND IDEOLOGIES IN EARLY MODERN GREEK CONTEXTS (15TH-18TH C.)

International Conference In Memory of Evro Layton

HARVARD UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF THE CLASSICS May 3-4, 2019

THOMPSON ROOM, BARKER CENTER, 12 QUINCY STREET

MAY 3 9:00-11:00 David Speranzi (National Central Library, Florence) A Byzantine Humanist and His Manuscripts: Demetrios Kastrenos (late 15th c.)

Walter Puchner (National and Kapodistrian University of Athens) and Dimitris Stamatis (National and Kapodistrian University of Athens) Ancient Greek Tragedies in the Orthodox Tradition: Domna (after 1714) and Abel by Zacharias Karantenos

Panagiotis Roilos (Harvard University) **Introductory Remarks** 

Kathleen Coleman (Harvard University) Introductory Remarks

Josiah Blackmore (Harvard University) Introductory Remarks

Comparative, Methodological, and Archival Perspectives Chair: Josiah Blackmore (Harvard University)

Ann Blair (Harvard University) Keynote Remarks: The Growth of Book History in Early Modern Studies

Dia Philippides (Boston College) From Evro Layton's Archival Legacy at Harvard

Panagiotis Roilos (Harvard University) The Beginnings of Modern Greek Literature: Boundaries, Definitions, and Ideological Constructs

> 11:00-11:15 Coffee Break

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From Manuscript to Print Networks Chair: Marc Lauxtermann (University of Oxford) Geri Della Rocca de Candal (University of Oxford) The Output of the Earliest Greek Press: Circulation and Use of Laonikos's and Alexandros's Batrachomyomachia and Psalterium (Venice, 1486)

Kostas Yiavis (Aristotle University of Thessalonike) Birth in Venice: Inventing Greek Modernity in the Sixteenth-century Printing House

Natasha Constantinidou (University of Cyprus) Books for Greeks and Books for non-Greeks in the Sixteenth Century: Evidence from the Editions

#### 13:15-14:30

Lunch Break

#### 14:30-16:30

Texts and Authors Chair: Alexander Riehle (Harvard University)

Marc Lauxtermann (University of Oxford) The Grammar of Nikolaos Sophianos

Calliope Dourou (Harvard University) Reciting the Nation: Nikolaos Loukanes and the Poetics of a Renaissance Epos

Jacques Bouchard (University of Montreal) The Innovative Impact of French Letters on the Early Greek Enlightenment

### MAY 4

10:00-11:30

Ideologies Chair: Dia Philippides (Boston College)

Simos Zenios (University of California, Los Angeles) The Metaphorics of Eros: Between Aesthetics and Ideology in the Cypriot Canzoniere

Nikos Panou (State University of New York, Stony Brook) Sovereign Virtue: Statecraft and Morality in the Age of Absolutism

Panagiotis Roilos (Harvard University) The Story of Markada: Antisemitism and Ethnic Ideologies in a Popular Late 17th-century Poem

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