

## Curriculum vitae

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### Education

- Ph.D. (Economics) [1991] Churchill College, University of Cambridge, Faculty of Economics and Politics
- M.Phil. (Econ.) [1979] Churchill College, University of Cambridge, Faculty of Economics and Politics. [Successful examination and subsequent registration to the doctoral programme]
- B.A. [1978] Dept. of Economics, Faculty of Law, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, (Grade 9<sup>2/6</sup> /10)
- Apolytirion [1974] Varvakios Model School (Grade 19<sup>7/13</sup>/20).

### Teaching

Dept. of Economics, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, 1990 until today.

### Postgraduate courses

Doctoral programme in economics UADPhilEcon, Postgraduate programme in Economics (MPhil in Economics), Postgraduate programme in Political Economy (MSc in Pol.Econ.)

- *History of Economic Thought* [MPhil in Economics]
- *History of Economic Thought* [MSc in Pol.Econ.]
- *Advanced Macroeconomic Theory I*, Module 1: “Growth & Cycles” [UADPhilEcon] (in English)
- *Advanced Microeconomic Theory I*, Module 2: “Asymmetric Information” [UADPhilEcon] (in English)
- *History of Economic Thought*, Module 5: “Early and Classical Political Economy” [UADPhilEcon] (in English)
- *History of Economic Thought*, Module 6: “Neoclassical Economics to 20th century debates” [UADPhilEcon] (in English)

### **Undergraduate courses**

- *History of Economic Thought*
- *Classical Texts in Political Economy*
- *Theory of Economic Growth*
- *Introduction to Economic Analysis* (Dept. of Economics & Faculty of Law, NKUA)
- *Principles of Economic Analysis I*
- *History of Economic Thought* (Erasmus) (in English)
- *Macroeconomic Theory III*
- *Microeconomic Theory I & II*
- *Political Economy I & II*
- *Special Topics in the History of Economic Thought*
- *Political Economy of Labour*

### **Multimedia platform DELOS at NKUA**

[\*History of Economic Thought\*](#)

### **E-class**

- [\*Introduction to Economic Analysis\*](#) [with lecture notes]
- [\*Theory of Economic Growth\*](#) [with lecture notes]
- [\*History of Economic Thought\*](#)
- [\*Classical Texts in Political Economy\*](#)

### **Administrative, academic, scientific and related positions**

- Director of the Doctoral Programme in Economics (2020)
- Director of the Graduate Programme in Economics (MPhil) (2020)
- Director of the Section of Political Economy
- Director of the UADPhilEcon Doctoral Programme in Economics
- Member of NKUA Research Committee representing the Faculty of Economics and Politics (Special Account for Research Grants)
- Member of the scientific and organizational committee of the Society of Greek Historians of Economic Thought
- President of the Scientific Society for Political Economy
- Secretary General for Fiscal Policy of the Ministry of Finance (2015)
- Head of the Greek delegation to the “Brussels Group” the mid-level negotiation forum between the principals of the “troika” (EC-ECB-IMF) and the Greek Government (2015)
- Greek Government representative to the Euro Working Group (2015)
- Chairman of the Board and Scientific Director of the Centre of Planning and Economic Research (KEPE) (2015-2019)
- Vice-president of the scientific committee of the Development Council of the Ministry of Economy and Development
- Chairman of the Board of Megaron-The Athens Concert Hall (2016-2019)
- Trustee/Overseer of the Gennadius Library

### **Supervision of doctoral theses (completed)**

Vlassis Missos, *The Importance of Time in Different Political Economic Systems*,  
Lefteris Tserkezis, *Essays on cyclical growth*

### **Referee in scientific journals**

- *History of Political Economy*
- *European Journal of the History of Economic Thought*
- *History of Economics Review*
- *History of Economic Ideas*
- *Forum for Social Economics*
- *Bulletin of Political Economy*
- *Βήμα Κοινωνικών Επιστημών*

### **Advisory/editorial board in scientific journals**

- *History of Political Economy* [advisory board]
- *History of Economic Ideas* [editorial board]
- *Journal of Economic Analysis* [advisory board]
- *European Journal of the History of Economic Thought* [advisory and editorial board]
- *La Revista Ibérica de Historia del Pensamiento Económico/ Iberian Journal for the History of Economic Thought* [editorial board]

### **Publications**

#### *Books*

**2011** (with Yanis Varoufakis & Joseph Halevi), *Modern Political Economics: Making Sense of the Post-2008 World*, London & New York: Routledge, pp. 530.

Reviews: Brian Collins, "[The Great Shock](#)", *Los Angeles Review of Books*, 17/10/2011, Michael D. Yates, ["[The Emperor has no clothes but still he rules](#)"], *Monthly Review*, volume 63, no. 2 (June 2011), Frank Stilwell, "[Modern political economics: Making sense of the post-2008 world; Market society: History, theory, practice \[Book Review\]](#)", *Journal of Australian Political Economy* volume 69, 2012, pp. 152-158

**2005** *The neoclassical theory of labour: a critical study from the viewpoint of the history of economic thought*, Dardanos, Athens, pp. 316. (in Greek)

Reviews: Stavros Drakopoulos (2006), *Spoudai*, 56 (3): 116-8, Theodoros Lianos, *Diavazo*, no. 485, May 2008

**2005** (with Yanis Varoufakis), *Microeconomic models of partial and general equilibrium*, Dardanos, Athens, pp. 438. (in Greek).

Chapter 2 reprinted in M. Zouboulakis & Chr. Kollias (eds) *Modern Political Economy*, Patakis, Athens, 2010

**2000** *Labour market flexibility and its relation to unemployment*, Foundation for Economic & Industrial Research (IOBE), Number 8b (monograph)

*Articles in peer reviewed journals*

- 2015 (with Michalis Psalidopoulos) [“Disparaging liberal economics in nineteenth-century Greece: The case of ‘The economist's duck’”](#), *European Journal of the History of Economic Thought*, Volume 22 , No. 6, pp. 949-977.
- 2014 [“A commentary on Alessandro Roncaglia’s paper: ‘Should the History of Economic Thought be Included in Undergraduate Curricula?’”](#), *Economic Thought* Volume 3, No 1, pp. 10-20.
- 2013 [“The dissemination of Adam Smith’s ideas in Greece: A most peculiar metakenosis”](#), *Adam Smith Review* Volume 7, pp. 148-165
- 2010 [“Metamorphoses: The concept of labour in the history of political economy”](#), *Economic and Labour Relations Review*, Volume 20, No. 2, pp. 7–38.
- 2008 [“Antipeponthos and reciprocity: the concept of equivalent exchange from Aristotle to Turgot”](#), *International Review of Economics*, Volume 55, Numbers 1-2 / April, 29-44.
- 2007 [“Luigino Bruni, \*Civil Happiness: Economics and Human Flourishing in Historical Perspective\*, Routledge”](#), *History of Economic Ideas*, Volume 15, Number 2, pp. 171-174.
- 2006 [“Richard van den Berg \(ed.\), \*At the Origins of Mathematical Economics: The Economics of A. N. Isnard \(1748-1803\)\*, Routledge”](#) *History of Economic Ideas*, Volume 14, Number 2, pp.147-151.
- 2006 [“Nicomachean Ethics in Political Economy: The Trajectory of the Problem of Value”](#), *History of Economic Ideas*, Volume 14, Number 1, pp. 9-53.
- 2006 [“Nicomachean Ethics in Political Economy: The Problem of Value”](#), [Τα Ηθικά Νικομάχεια στην πολιτική οικονομία: Το πρόβλημα της αξίας](#), *Axiologika*, Number 15, May, pp. 63-102.
- 2002 (with Yanis Varoufakis) [“In search of a dispassionate tribunal: Some thoughts on Experimental Economics on the occasion of the 2002 Bank of Sweden’s Prize in Economic Sciences in Memory of Alfred Nobel”](#), *Australian Review of Public Affairs*, 28 November, Online.

*Contributions to edited volumes*

- 2019 [«The metamorphoses of the concept of labour in the history of political economy: essay in honour of the memory of my teacher and friend Zacharias Demathas»](#), in G. Dardanos et al. (eds), *«I hail you for never having feared the Symplegades»: Festschrift in memory of Zacharias Demathas*, Gutenberg, Athens, pp. 306-337. (In Greek)
- 2018 [«The reception of Adam Smith in Greece: A peculiar metakenosis»](#) in N.J. Theocarakis & J. Milios (eds), Chr. Vallianos (trans.), Adam Smith, *An inquiry into the nature and the causes of the wealth of nations (Books I & II)*, Pedio, Athens, pp. 471-527. (In Greek)
- 2018 (with Michalis Psalidopoulos) “The economist's duck: A satire of liberal economic thought in 19<sup>th</sup> c. Greece”, in A. Altouva & K. Diamantakou (eds), [Proceedings of the 5<sup>th</sup> Panhellenic Theatre Studies Conference, in honour of W. Puchner](#), Dept of Theatre Studies, NKUA, Athens, Volume 1, pp. 545-561. (In Greek)
- 2016 “The market as default mechanism: A history of economic thought perspective”, in Chr. Agriantoni, M. Chr. Chatziioannou, L. Papastefanaki (eds), [Markets and Politics: Private Interests and Public Authority \(18th-20th centuries\)](#), University of Thessaly Press, Volos, pp. 35-49

- 2016** “The impact of the 2008 Global Financial Crisis on Greece”, in L. Kotsonopoulos, D. Papadimitriou, Z. Synodinos (eds). *Youth and Economic Crises in Greece 1929 and 2008*, Society for the Study of the History of Left Youth, Gutenberg, Athens, pp. 225-239. (In Greek)
- 2014** “The Political Economy of Public Debt”, in S. Koskoletos & E. Papadopoulou (eds), *Crisis, Debt and the Development Perspective*, transform! | Nicos Poulantzas Institute | nissos, Athens, pp. 15-32.
- 2011** (with Michalis Psalidopoulos), “The dissemination of economic thought in South-Eastern Europe in the nineteenth century”, in H.D. Kurz, T. Nishizawa & K. Tribe (eds) *The Dissemination of Economic Ideas*, Elgar, Aldershot.
- Reviews: E. Roy Weintraub, “[The Dissemination of Economic Ideas. Edited by Heinz D. Kurz, Tamotsu Nishizawa, and Keith Tribe. Cheltenham: Edward Elgar, 2011](#)”, *History of Political Economy*, 45 (3), [Fall 2013], pp. 563-565. Gerardo Serra, “[Kurz Heinz D., Nishizawa Tamotsu, and Tribe Keith, eds., The Dissemination of Economic Ideas \(Cheltenham, UK, and Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar, 2011\)](#)”, *Journal of the History of Economic Thought*, 35 (4) [December 2013], pp. 558-561.
- 2010** “Paul A. Samuelson as unifier of economic theory”, in [collective work] *Paul Anthony Samuelson (1915-2009): The founder of neoclassical synthesis*, Dept. of Economics, NKUA, Metamesonikties Ekdoseis, Athens. (In Greek)
- 2010** “Ioannis Stef. Pasmazoglou (1918-2003): The early work», in [collective work], *Ioannis S. Pasmazoglou: Academic, Europeanist, Negotiator*, Bank of Greece & Dept. of Economics, NKUA, Metamesonikties Ekdoseis, Athens. (In Greek)
- 2008** «Andreas M. Andreades: His publications in foreign languages», in [collective work], *Andreas M. Andreades, the Patriarch of Public Finance*, Dept. of Economics, NKUA, Metamesonikties Ekdoseis, Athens. (In Greek)
- 2004** “Paul Sweezy and *The Theory of Capitalist Development*», Introduction to the 12<sup>th</sup> reprint of the Greek edition of Paul M. Sweezy’s *Theory of Capitalist Development*. Gutenberg, Athens. (In Greek)
- 2002** “Labour market flexibility and unemployment» in P. Getimis *et al.* (eds), *LABOUR 2002*, Institute of Urban Environment and and Human Resources, Panteion University, Athens. (In Greek) Ινστιτούτο Αστικού Περιβάλλοντος και Ανθρώπινου Δυναμικού, Πάντειο Πανεπιστήμιο, Αθήνα.

### *Prefaces to KEPE Publications*

#### *Studies*

- [No. 79. ECONOMIC CRISIS AND DEPOSITS: GREECE AND SOUTHERN EUROPE. \(in Greek\)](#), F. Economou, Ch. Triantopoulos. 2018.
- [No. 78. REGIONAL AND SECTORAL EFFICIENCY OF THE GREEK ECONOMY: MEASUREMENT AND DETERMINANTS](#), S. Papaioannou, Th. Tsekeris, Ch. Tassis. 2017.
- [No. 77. NON-LINEAR ADJUSTMENT IN THE GREEK MILK MARKET](#), I. Reziti. 2016.
- [No. 76. ANALYSIS OF GREEK EXTERNAL TRADE: SECTORAL ANALYSIS, COMPARATIVE ADVANTAGES, EXPORTS AND ECONOMIC GROWTH, 2000-2014. \(in Greek\)](#), I. Konstantakopoulou. 2015.
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#### *Reports*

- [No. 80. THE MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY IN GREECE: DEVELOPMENTS, PROSPECTS AND POLICY CHALLENGES \(in Greek\)](#), A. Koutroulis, E. Athanasiou, N.C. Kanellopoulos, A. Kotsi, I. Cholezas. 2018.
- [No. 79. DEVELOPMENTS AND PROSPECTS OF THE SHIPBUILDING INDUSTRY IN GREECE \(in Greek\)](#), E. Athanasiou, A. Koutroulis. 2018.
- [No. 78. ASSESSMENT OF SELECTED STRUCTURAL REFORMS REGARDING COMPETITION AND THEIR ECONOMIC IMPACT \(in Greek\)](#), R. Karagiannis, A. Kotsi, E. Athanasiou, E. Nitsi, I. Cholezas. 2017.

- [No. 77. CULTURAL AND RELIGIOUS TOURISM AS COMPONENTS OF THE NATIONAL TOURIST PRODUCT \(in Greek\)](#), N. Vagionis, S. Skoultzos. 2016.
- [No. 76. THE EMIGRATION OF GREEKS AND DIASPORA ENGAGEMENT POLICIES FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT](#), J. Cavounidis. 2016.
- [No. 75. GENERAL GOVERNMENT SPENDING REVIEW, 2013-2016: AN ANALYSIS FRAMEWORK FOR FUTURE SPENDING REVIEWS IN GREECE](#), Y. Monogios, E.I. Nitsi, J.N. Anastassakou, I. Cholezas, N.C. Kanellopoulos, R. Karagiannis, I. Konstantakopoulou, V. Lychnaras, Th. Tsekeris. 2016.
- [No. 74. FREIGHT TRANSPORT AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF INTERNATIONAL LOGISTICS HUBS IN GREECE \(in Greek\)](#), Th. Tsekeris. 2016.
- [No. 73. IMPACT ASSESSMENT OF THE LIBERALIZATION IN 20 PROFESSIONS \(in Greek\)](#), A. Kotsi, E. Athanassiou, N. C. Kanellopoulos, R. Karagiannis, I. Katselidis. 2016.
- [No. 72. PROPOSALS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF CULTURAL TOURISM IN GREECE \(in Greek\)](#), W. Kafouros. 2015.

### *Theses*

- 1990** *An investigation of the relationship between responsibility and pay*. Ph.D. dissertation, University of Cambridge, Faculty of Economics and Politics.
- 1979** [An investigation of the relationship between the hierarchical structure of work and technical efficiency](#). M.Phil. dissertation, University of Cambridge, Faculty of Economics and Politics.

### *Conferences*

- 2014** [“The history of the political economy of public debt”](#), Keynote Lecture, *4th ESHET Latin America Conference*, 19-21 November, Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais, Belo Horizonte, Brazil.
- 2014** (with Michalis Psalidopoulos), [“Disparaging liberal economics in 19th century Greece: The case of \*The economist’s duck\*”](#), *18th Annual Conference of the European Society for the History of Economic Thought (ESHET)*, 29-31 May, Université de Lausanne, Centre Walras-Pareto, Lausanne, Switzerland.
- 2014** (with Michalis Psalidopoulos), “The economist’s duck: A satire of liberal economic thought in 19th c. Greece”, *5th Panhellenic Theatre Studies Conference*, in honour of W. Puchner, Dept of Theatre Studies, NKUA, 5-8 November 2014
- 2012** “The market as default mechanism: A history of economic thought perspective”, *2nd International Conference on Economic and Social History*, “Markets and Politics: Private interests and public authority (18th-20th centuries)”, University of Thessaly, Volos, Greece, 10-12 February 2012
- 2011** “The dissemination of Adam Smith’s ideas in Greece: A most peculiar metakenosis”. *15th Annual Conference of the European Society for the History of Economic Thought (ESHET)*, 19-22 May, Bogazici University, Istanbul.
- 2009** “Neoclassical Labour Economics: A critique from a History of Economic Thought Perspective”, *XIIIe Université d’été en histoire, philosophie et pensée économiques*, Association française d’histoire économique (AFHE), 31/8-4/9, Pelion. Conference on: “Théories du travail: Histoire et enjeux politiques” University of Thessaly and PHARE, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne (Paris, France) together with the Association Charles Gide pour l’Étude de la Pensée Économique.
- 2009** “Aristotle, Marx & Böhm-Bawerk: Literature Surveys as System Builders”. *1<sup>st</sup> Conference of the Scientific Society of Political Economy*, 19-20 June, Rethimno, University of Crete.



- 2009** (with M. Psalidopoulos) “The Spread of Economic Ideas and the Rise of Nationalism in the Balkans (1870-1920)”. *13th Annual Conference of the European Society for the History of Economic Thought (ESHET)*, 23-25 April, University of Macedonia, Thessaloniki, Conference on “Technological Change and Economic Analysis” organized by the Dept. of Economics of University of Macedonia and the Aristotelian University of Thessaloniki.
- 2007** “Mastiffs and Greyhounds: The history of the analytical treatment of genetic differences as explanations of inequality in personal incomes”. *11th Annual Conference of the European Society for the History of Economic Thought (ESHET)*, Louis Pasteur University, Strasbourg (France), 5 – 7 July. Conference on: “Justice in Economic Thought” Organized by the Research Laboratory *Bureau d’Economie Théorique et Appliquée (BETA)*, associated with the French National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS).
- 2007** “Antipeponthos and Reciprocity: The concept of equivalent exchange from Aristotle to Turgot”. *Reciprocity: Theories and Facts*. University of Milano - Bicocca, Dept. of Economics, University of Cagliari, Dept. of Economics and Center for Inter-disciplinary Studies in Economics, Psychology and Social Sciences, 22-24 February, Verbania, Lago Maggiore.

#### *Editor*

- 2019** (with John Milios) Adam Smith, *An Inquiry into the Nature and the Causes of the Wealth of Nations (Books I & II)*, Pedio, Athens. (In Greek)
- 2011** A. Vlachou, N.J. Theocarakis, D. Milonakis (eds), *Economic Crisis and Greece*, Scientific Society for Political Economy (EEPO), Dardanos, Athens. (In Greek).
- 2004** Ernesto Screpanti & Stefano Zamagni, *An Outline of the History of Economic Thought*, Gutenberg, Athens. (In Greek)

#### Other

- 2012** [Anthology of classical texts on the division of labour from Xenophon to Hayek](#)
- 2020** [Online links to the original documents in the bibliography of Karl Marx's Capital, Vol. 1](#)

#### **Distinctions**

- 1<sup>st</sup> in 14,000 candidates for the university entrance examinations in economics in 1974 (Entrance grade 137/140)
- 1<sup>o</sup>s honorary scholar of the State Scholarship Foundation for the four years of study at the Dept. of Economics