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Education

- 2019-2023 **PhD graduate.** Thesis Title: “*Il Possedimento: seeking the role of local administration in the Italian strategic plans for the Dodecanese (1922-1943)*”, Department of History and Archaeology, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, **GPA: “Unanimous Excellent”**. Supervisor: Assistant Professor Eleftheria Manta.
- 2014-2017 **Master Degree** in Modern and Contemporary Greek and European History, Department of History and Archaeology, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Dissertation Title: “*Crete, Allies and Axis: strategic priorities and war planning, 1939-1941*”, Supervisor: Professor Ioannis Mourellos. **GPA: 9,57 out of 10.**
- 2010-2014 **Bachelor Degree** in History and Archaeology, Department of History and Archaeology, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki. **GPA: 8,07 out of 10.**

Work experience - Scholarships

- 12 Apr.2024-
28 June 2024 **Appointed teacher** in the Department of History and Archaeology of Aristotle University of Thessaloniki. Courses: INX 457: Modern History of Mediterranean (1789-1991) and INX 458: Mediterranean: from Colonization to Decolonization (19th-20th centuries)
- May 2022-
Sep. 2023 Scholar of the **State Scholarships Foundation**, Act “Strengthening human resources through the implementation of doctoral research”.
- Apr. 2021-
Aug. 2021 Researcher-Archivist trainee of the **Erasmus+ Traineeship Program** in the State Archive of State (Archivio Centrale dello Stato) in Rome, Italy.
- Jan. 2020 –
Mar. 2021 **Member of a research team** of the project “Supporting Re-searchers with an Emphasis on new Researchers” (EDULLL 103), by the Operational Programme Human Resources Development, Education and Lifelong Learning 2014-2020 of the European Social Fund. Project Title: “The Role and the Importance of the Dodecanese Islands in the Strategic Planning of Britain and Italy during the Period 1935-1939”.
- Feb. 2016 -
Nov. 2016 Scholarship in the Aristotle University Historical Archive. Filling and classification of the Triarides and Bosenberg archives.

Conferences and Publications

[Publication in an academic issue]

Ioannis Kontakis, "Italian Foreign Police and the Muslims of the Dodecanese: from Lossagne to the "sword of Islam" and the outburst of World War II", in *Mnimon*, vol. 41 (2024), in press.

Tsamis Dimitrios, Kontakis Ioannis, et al., "The Role and the Importance of the Dodecanese Islands in the Strategic Planning of Britain and Italy during the Period 1935-1939", at *Balkan Studies*, Volume 54 (2021), pp. 93-123.

[Participation in Conference and conferences minutes]

27-28 Sep. 2021 «A Mediterranean Rivalry: The Dodecanese Islands in the Strategy of Italy and Britain in the 1930s» in cooperation with: Ioannis Sakkas, Eleftheria Manta and Dimitris Tsamos. In the International Conference «The Eastern Mediterranean during the Interwar Period. Diplomacy and Politics in a Fragile Region», conducted by Institute of Balkan Studies (IMXA) in association with Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and Aegean University. In press.

4 May 2018 Ioannis Kontakis: "A Key Position in the Eastern Mediterranean: The strategic importance of Crete from the Second World War until now days" in *Mare Nostrum IX Conference*, Aegean University, Rhodes. Web publication in *KEMMEP*, vol. 33 (May-June 2018).

21 Oct. 2015 Ioannis Kontakis: "The arrival of the British and French troops in Thessaloniki, the first military operations in Serbian Macedonia and the begging of the Salonika Front (October – December 1915)", Workshop of the Institute of Balkan studies: "100 years later: young historians talk about Salonika's Front". Published in web journal "Balkanika Simeikta", volume 18, Thessaloniki 2017, pp. 159-169.

Relating Skills

Languages

Greek Native speaker

English C2 Mastery Level. Certificates:

The University of Michigan Certificate of Proficiency in English, Level **C2**.

City & Guilds Level 3 Certification in ESOL International (Mastery **C2**).

Italian Livello Progresso B2, Certificato Statale di Conoscenza delle Lingue (KPG), Livello **B2**.

IT skills

ECDL

Core Module 01: Concepts of IT

Core Module 02: Using the computer and managing files

Core Module 03: Word Processing

Core Module 04: Spreadsheets

Core Module 06: Presentation

Web Browsing and communication