

Five lectures at the Netherlands Institute at Athens

Exploring narratives on the Greek crisis

Organisers: The Netherlands Institute at Athens, in collaboration with Panteion University Athens and the Institute for Migration & Ethnic Studies of the University of Amsterdam.

How Greek is the current Greek crisis? Or how European is it? Is it an extreme symptom of the margins of Europe? Or rooted in the particularities of the Greek history and society? Is it a part of the Southern European crisis? Of the South-Eastern - alias Balkan - crisis? Or what? Or both?

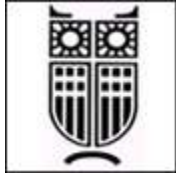
Why financial crisis showed its most ferocious face in this country and not elsewhere. What is said and what is meant on the crisis in Greece and about Greece in Europe. To what extent economy and welfare State default affects the institutional infrastructure: democratic legitimacy and rule of law. Should we be talking about a 'post-democracy'? How particular after all is Greece today?

These are questions – among others – targeted within the framework of the 'five lectures' to be held at the Netherlands Institute. The idea is not only to explore and present the impact of the crisis in different fields or levels of social life, but also to contribute to the construction of a new crisis narrative on Greece, about Greece, and to construct the necessary articulations between different State experiences in crisis.

Let's reflect beyond stereotyping. We must present the widest possible European profile to the initiative since many things are taking place in Greece on the matter today. What is important is to export the ideas, not to consume them internally.

The language of the lectures will be English. The lectures will be recorded in order to be presented as video conferences in the Netherlands and elsewhere.

Each lecture will take place on the second or the third Thursday of each month, starting from February 2014.



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PROGRAMME

First Lecture **20 February 2014, 7.00 p.m.**

Exploring different crisis narrations

Prof. **Antonis Liakos**, historian, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

Second Lecture **27 March 2014, 7.00 p.m.**

*Greece as Europe – Europe as Greece:
Historical roots of an ambivalent relationship*

Prof. **Christina Koulouri**, historian, Panteion University Athens.

Third Lecture **10 April 2014, 7.00 p.m.**

*Growth and the social state in Greece:
From EC membership to the present crisis*

Petros Linardos Rulmond, economist.

Fourth Lecture **15 May 2014, 7.00 p.m.**

*Migration at the margins of Europe:
Lessons deriving from the Greek experience*

Prof. **Andreas Takis**, jurist, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.

Fifth Lecture **12 June 2014, 7.00 p.m.**

Is extreme Right today in Greece more extreme than elsewhere in Europe?

Prof. **Dimitris Christopoulos**, political scientist, Panteion University Athens.