

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATION

**2008–2014:** PhD in Ottoman history, Department of History and Archaeology (Faculty of Letters), University of Crete (Rethymno). Title of dissertation: «Κοινωνική, διοικητική, οικονομική και πολιτική διάσταση του οθωμανικού στρατού: οι γενίτσαροι της Κρήτης, 1750-1826» [Social, Administrative, Financial, and Political Dimensions of the Ottoman Army: The Janissaries of Crete, 1750–1826] (supervised by Prof. Antonis Anastasopoulos).

**2004–2008:** MA in Ottoman history, Master's Program of Turkish Studies, Department of History and Archaeology (Faculty of Letters), University of Crete (Rethymno) in collaboration with the Institute for Mediterranean Studies (IMS)/FORTH (Rethymno). Title of thesis: «Δούλοι και απελεύθεροι στην πρώιμη οθωμανική Κρήτη» [Slaves and Freedmen in Early Ottoman Crete] (supervised by Prof. Antonis Anastasopoulos).

**2006–2007:** Two-semester study-stay at the Department of History of Boğaziçi University (Istanbul) as an ERASMUS student.

**1999–2003:** BA in History, Department of History and Ethnology, Demokriteio University of Thrace (Komotini).

### GRANTS – HONORS

**2022:** FORTH Research Award.

**2019:** ERC Starting Grant 2019. Funding following a competitive selection procedure for the five-year project “JANET: Janissaries in Ottoman Port-Cities: Muslim Financial and Political Networks in the Early Modern Mediterranean” (Budget: 1,498,389 euros).

**2018–2020:** Post-doctoral fellowship following a competitive selection procedure under the “Support for Researchers with Emphasis on Young Researchers” Action (Operational Program “Human Resources Development, Education, and Lifelong Learning” with priority axes 6, 8, 9, co-funded by the European Social Fund [ESF] and the Greek government”) in the framework of the research proposal entitled “Local elites, taxation and ‘chiftlicisation’ in the Ottoman Balkans: The case of Veroia”. The proposal was submitted through the University of Crete by a team of researchers comprising Prof. Antonis

Anastasopoulos (academic consultant), Yannis Spyropoulos (PhD), and Stephanos Poulios (PhD candidate).

**2017–2018:** Post-doctoral fellowship by the State Scholarship Foundation (Athens) following a competitive selection procedure in the framework of the “Support for Post-Doctoral Researchers” Action (Operational Program “Human Resources Development, Education, and Lifelong Learning” with priority axes 6, 8, 9, co-funded by the European Social Fund [ESF] and the Greek government”) for the project entitled “Janissary Networks in the Early Modern Mediterranean (18th–Early 19th Century)”.

**2015–2017:** Post-doctoral fellowship at the Institute for Mediterranean Studies (Rethymno) in the framework of the project “History of Water-Resource Management in Greece: The Case of Crete” (Scientific Area “Environment,” funded by the General Secretariat for Research and Technology (GSRT) and the Foundation for Research and Technology (FORTH), Greece, in the framework of the Compromise Agreement between the Greek republic and Siemens).

**2015:** Research Centre for the Humanities post-doctoral fellowship (Athens) for the research project entitled “Janissary Financial Networks in the Early Modern Eastern Mediterranean (18th–Early 19th centuries)” (fellowship was declined in order to participate in the above-mentioned project of the IMS/FORTH).

**2015–2016:** Fernand Braudel-IFER post-doctoral fellowship (Fondation Maison des sciences de l’homme – Marie Curie Action Program – COFUND – FP7, Paris) following a competitive selection procedure for the project entitled “The Administration of Ottoman Western Crete on the Road to the Greek Revolution (1821)”.

**2010–2013:** “HERAKLEITOS 2” doctoral fellowship, following a competitive selection procedure (Operational Program “Education and Lifelong Learning 2007–2013” [O.P.E.L.L.] of the National Strategic Reference Framework [N.S.R.F.] [2007–2013], co-funded by the European Social Fund [ESF] and the Greek government).

**2009–2010:** Koç Research Center for Anatolian Civilizations (Istanbul) doctoral fellowship, following a competitive selection procedure, for conducting research under the title “The Janissaries of Crete as a Military Unit and an Interest Group from the Second Half of the 18<sup>th</sup> Century to the Suppression of the Janissary Corps (1826)”.

**2007:** Ousseimi Foundation (Geneva) scholarship for conducting research in Istanbul and writing a masters’ thesis.

**2006:** University of Crete scholarship (ELKE).

**2006:** “Menelaos Parlamas Prize” (Association “Friends of the University of Crete”), for the paper entitled «Πληθυσμός και παραγωγή στη Λήμνο στο τέλος του 15ου αιώνα: μια προσπάθεια ανασύστασης με βάση το οθωμανικό κατάστιχο 1490» [Population and Production in Limnos at the End of the 15th Century: An Attempt of Representation through the Ottoman Register of 1490].

## WORKING EXPERIENCE – RESEARCH PROJECTS

**2020–2026:** Principal Investigator of the ERC Starting Grant “JANET: Janissaries in Ottoman Port-Cities: Muslim Financial and Political Networks in the Early Modern Mediterranean,” funded by the European Research Council in the framework of Horizon 2020. Host Institution: IMS/FORTH.

**2020–2021:** Participation in the transliteration and translation of Ottoman archival material related to the history of the island of Hydra. The project was funded by the Municipality of Hydra and the translations were prepared by a team of researchers and students working under the scientific direction of the IMS/FORTH.

**2018–:** Researcher at the IMS/FORTH.

**2018–:** Teaching at the Joint Master’s Program of Studies in Ottoman History (in English), of the Department of History and Archaeology of the University of Crete and the IMS/FORTH.

**2018–2019:** Post-doctoral researcher in the research project entitled “Local elites, taxation and ‘chiftlicisation’ in the Ottoman Balkans: The case of Veroia” undertaken at the University of Crete and funded in the framework of the “Support for Researchers with Emphasis on Young Researchers” Action (Operational Program “Human Resources Development, Education, and Lifelong Learning” with priority axes 6, 8, 9, co-funded by the European Social Fund [ESF] and the Greek government”).

**2017–2018:** Post-doctoral researcher at the IMS/FORTH. Project title: “Janissary networks in the early modern Mediterranean (18th–early 19th century)”. Supervisor: Prof. Marinós Sariyannis.

**2016–2017:** Teaching of Ottoman Paleography for two semesters at the Master’s Program of Turkish Studies, Department of History and Archaeology, University of Crete in collaboration with the IMS/FORTH.

**2015–2017:** Post-doctoral researcher at the IMS/FORTH. Project title: “History of Water-Resource Management in Greece: The Case of Crete”. Coordinator and supervisor: Prof. Antonis Anastasopoulos. The project was part of the larger project “Environment,” funded by the General Secretariat for Research and Technology (GSRT) and the Foundation for Research and Technology (FORTH), Greece.

**2015–2016:** Post-doctoral researcher at the Centre d’Études Turques, Ottomanes, Balkaniques et Centrasiatiques (EHESS, CNRS, Collège de France) in Paris. Project title: “The Administration of Ottoman Western Crete on the Road to the Greek Revolution (1821)”. Supervisor: Prof. Nathalie Clayer.

**2014–2015:** Transliteration from Ottoman Turkish and translation to Greek of a part of the second judicial register of the Turkish Archive of Herakleio (TAH) preserved at the Vikelaiá Municipal Library of Herakleio (Crete). The translations, prepared by a team of researchers

working under the scientific direction of the Institute for Mediterranean Studies, are going to be published in two volumes, as part of a project funded by the Municipality of Herakleio.

**2010–2013:** “HERAKLEITOS 2” doctoral researcher. Project title: “Social, Administrative, Financial, and Political Dimensions of the Ottoman Army: The Janissaries of Crete, 1750–1826”. Supervisor: Prof. Antonis Anastasopoulos.

**2009–2010:** Doctoral researcher at the Koç Research Center for Anatolian Civilizations (Istanbul). Project title: “The Janissaries of Crete as a Military Unit and an Interest Group from the Second Half of the 18th Century to the Suppression of the Janissary Corps (1826)”.

**2008:** Transliteration and translation from Ottoman Turkish to Greek of a part of the Turkish Archive of Veroia as an Institute for Mediterranean Studies’ scholar.

**2008:** Transliteration and translation from Ottoman Turkish to Greek of the Turkish Archive of the monastery of Hagios Matthaïos in Herakleio for the Foundation of Mount Sinai.

**2003:** Participation in the “Organization of the Photographic Archive of the Greek Olympic Committee” program under the supervision of Prof. Christina Koulouri.

## PUBLICATIONS

### **Books:**

#### **a. Monographs**

- Spyropoulos, Yannis. *Οθωμανική διοίκηση και κοινωνία στην προεπαναστατική δυτική Κρήτη: Αρχειακές Μαρτυρίες (1817-1819)* [Ottoman Administration and Society in Prerevolutionary Western Crete (1817–1819): Archival Testimonies], edited by Aspasia Papadaki. Rethymno: General State Archives of Greece, 2015.

#### **b. Edited volumes and special issues**

- Spyropoulos, Yannis, ed., *The Janissaries: Socio-Political and Economic Actors in the Ottoman Empire (17th-Early 19th Centuries). Halcyon Days in Crete XII. A Symposium Held in Rethymno, 12-14 January 2024* (Rethymno: Crete University Press, 2025).
- Yıldız, Aysel, Yannis Spyropoulos, and M. Mert Sunar, eds. *Payitaht Yeniçerileri: Padişahın “Asi” Kulları, 1700-1826* [The Janissaries of the Ottoman Capital: The Sultan’s “Rebel” Servants, 1700–1826]. Istanbul: Kitap Yayınevi, 2022.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis, ed. “Insights into Janissary Networks, 1700–1826.” Special issue, *Cihannüma: Journal of History and Geography Studies* 8, no. 1 (2022).
- Sariyannis, Marinos (editor-in-chief), Gülsün Aksoy-Aivali, Marina Demetriadou, Yannis Spyropoulos, Katerina Stathi, and Yorgos Vidras (eds), Antonis Anastasopoulos and Elias Kolovos (consulting eds). *New Trends in Ottoman Studies: Papers Presented at the 20th CIÉPO Symposium, Rethymno 27 June–1 July 2012*. Rethymno: University of

Crete – Department of History and Archaeology; Foundation for Research and Technology Hellas – Institute for Mediterranean Studies, 2014.

**c. Publication of archival sources**

- Sariyannis, Marinos (ed.), Gülsün Aksoy-Aivali, Antonis Anastasopoulos, Dimitris Giagtzoglou, Petros Kastrinakis, Ioanna Katsara, Elias Kolovos, Christos Kyriakopoulos, and Yannis Spyropoulos, Pinelopi Foteinou, *Ιεροδικείο Ηρακλείου: Δεύτερος κώδικας, μέρος Γ', σπαράγματα* [Judicial Court of Herakleio: Second Codex, Part III, Fragments]. Herakleio: Vikelaia Municipal Library, 2023.

**Articles (published or accepted for publication):**

**a. In journals/collective volumes following a double blind peer-review system**

- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “From Records to Realities: Official and Unofficial Dimensions of Janissary Identity.” In *The Janissaries: Socio-Political and Economic Actors in the Ottoman Empire (17th-Early 19th Centuries). Halcyon Days in Crete XII. A Symposium Held in Rethymno, 12-14 January 2024*, edited by Yannis Spyropoulos, xiii–xxxiv. Rethymno: Crete University Press, 2025.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “The Murder of a Frenchman by a Janissary; or, When Two Protection Regimes Collide.” In *The Janissaries: Socio-Political and Economic Actors in the Ottoman Empire (17th-Early 19th Centuries). Halcyon Days in Crete XII. A Symposium Held in Rethymno, 12-14 January 2024*, edited by Yannis Spyropoulos, 245–67. Rethymno: Crete University Press, 2025.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “Introduction.” In *Insights into Janissary Networks, 1700–1826*, edited by Yannis Spyropoulos. Special issue, *Cihannüma: Journal of History and Geography Studies* 8, no. 1 (2022): 1–8.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis and Aysel Yıldız. “Pseudo-Janissarism (*Yeniçerilik İddiası*) in the Ottoman Provinces (with Special Reference to Adana): Its Emergence and Its Geographic and Socio-Economic Aspects.” In *Insights into Janissary Networks, 1700–1826*, edited by Yannis Spyropoulos. Special issue, *Cihannüma: Journal of History and Geography Studies* 8, no. 1 (2022): 9–54.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis, Stefanos Poullos, and Antonis Anastasopoulos. “Çiftlik, Landed Elites, and Tax Allocation in Eighteenth-Century Ottoman Veroia.” *European Journal of Turkish Studies* 30 (2020): 1–35.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “Janissary Politics on the Ottoman Periphery (18th–Early 19th c.)” In *Political Thought and Practice in the Ottoman Empire. Halcyon Days in Crete IX. A Symposium Held in Rethymno, 9-11 January 2015*, edited by Marinos Sariyannis, 449–81. Rethymno: Crete University Press, 2019.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “Running Water for the Officials, Rainwater for the Poor: Symbolic Use and Control of Water in Ottoman Crete.” *Water History* 10, no. 2–3 (2018): 103–12.

- Anastasopoulos, Antonis and Yannis Spyropoulos. “Soldiers on an Ottoman Island: The Janissaries of Crete, Eighteenth–Early Nineteenth Centuries.” *Turkish Historical Review* 8, no. 1 (2017): 1–33.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “Beys, Sheikhs, *Kolbaşıs*, and *Godiyas*: Some Notes on the Leading Figures of the Ottoman-African Diaspora.” *Turcica* 48 (2017): 187–218.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “Slaves and Freedmen in 17th and Early 18th Century Ottoman Crete.” *Turcica* 46 (2015): 177–204.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “The Creation of a Homogeneous Collective Identity: Towards a History of the Black People in the Ottoman Empire.” *International Journal of Turkish Studies* 16, no. 1–2 (2010): 25–46.

**b. In journals/collective volumes without a double blind peer-review system**

- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “Children of Janissaries and Janissary Youths beyond the *Devşirme* (17th–Early 19th C.)” Forthcoming in *Çocukluk Halleri*, edited by Yahya Araz and İrfan Kokdaş. Istanbul: İstanbul Kitap Yayınevi.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “To 1821 στην Κρήτη και η σημασία των οθωμανικών πηγών” [The 1821 Greek War of Independence in Crete and the Importance of Ottoman Sources]. Forthcoming in *To 1821 στην Κρήτη* [The 1821 Greek War of Independence in Crete], edited by Panagiotis Stathis. Athens: Asini.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis, “Η Επανάσταση του 1821 και η κατάργηση του γενιτσαρικού σώματος (1826): η αυτοκρατορική και τοπική διάσταση μιας ιδιαίτερης σχέσης” [The 1821 Revolution and the Abolition of the Janissary Corps (1826): The Imperial and Local Dimensions of a Special Connection]. Forthcoming in *Η Ελληνική Επανάσταση. Νέες προσεγγίσεις* [The Greek Revolution. New Approaches], edited by Christos Loukos. Athens: Mnimon.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “Διακοινοτική βία στη Σμύρνη το 1821: μια ευρύτερη οπτική των γεγονότων” [Intercommunal Violence in 1821 Izmir: A Broader Perspective of the Events]. Forthcoming in *Οθωμανική Κρίση και Ελληνική Επανάσταση* [Ottoman Crisis and the Greek Revolution], edited by Eleni Gara. Athens: Εκδόσεις του 21ου.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis, “Janissary Inter-Provincial Economic Practices during the 1821 Greek War of Independence.” In *Wealth Accumulation and Entrepreneurship in the Ottoman Empire, 18th–20th Centuries*, edited by Maria Christina Chatziioannou and Sofia Laiou, 107–122 New York: Routledge, 2025.
- Yıldız, Aysel, Yannis Spyropoulos, and M. Mert Sunar. “İstanbul, Taşra ve Yeniçeriler” [Istanbul, the Provinces, and the Janissaries]. In *Payitaht Yeniçerileri: Padişahın “Asi” Kulları, 1700-1826* [The Janissaries of the Ottoman Capital: The Sultan’s “Rebel” Servants, 1700–1826], edited by Aysel Yıldız, Yannis Spyropoulos, and M. Mert Sunar, 13–36. Istanbul: Kitap Yayınevi, 2022.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “Yunan Bağımsızlık Savaşı Sırasında Ele Geçirilen İki Yeniçeri Mektubunun Düşündürdükleri” [Reflections on

Two Janissary Letters Intercepted in the Course of the Greek War of Independence]. In *Payitaht Yeniçerileri: Padişahın “Asi” Kulları, 1700-1826* [The Janissaries of the Ottoman Capital: The Sultan’s “Rebel” Servants, 1700–1826], edited by Aysel Yıldız, Yannis Spyropoulos, and M. Mert Sunar, 37–62. Istanbul: Kitap Yayınevi, 2022.

- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “‘İnanç ve Vatan Uğruna’ Kan Davaları mı? 1821 Arifesinde Batı Girit’te Hristiyanlar Arası Şiddet ve Osmanlı Siyaseti” [Blood Feuds for “Faith and Fatherland?” Intra-Christian Violence and Politics in Western Crete on the Eve of the 1821 Revolution]. In *1821 Yunan Devrimi Yunan Tarih yazımında Yeni Yaklaşımlar*, edited by Konstantina Andrianopoulou and Anna Vakali, 147–62. Istanbul: Tarih Vakfı Yurt Yayınları, 2021.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “Τέσσερις μικρές ιστορίες μουσουλμάνων στο πλαίσιο του κρητικού 1821” [Four Minor Stories of Muslims in the Framework of Cretan 1821]. In *Κρήτη 1821-1830: Αναγνώσεις μιας ατελέσφορης Επανάστασης* [Crete 1821–1830: Readings of a Fruitless Revolution], edited by Manolis Vourliotis, Manolis Drakakis, and Gianna Patroudaki, 265–82. Athens: Bartzoulianos, 2021.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “1821 Arifesinde Girit’te Hristiyanlar Arası Şiddet ve Siyaset” [Intra-Christian Violence and Politics on Crete on the Eve of 1821]. *Tophumsal Tarih* 327 (2021): 26–30.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “Μια ξεχασμένη ιστορία: Αφρικανικές κοινότητες στην οθωμανική Ελλάδα και τη Μικρά Ασία” [A Forgotten Tale: African Communities in the Ottoman Greek Lands and Asia Minor]. *Δελτίο Κέντρου Μικρασιατικών Σπουδών* 21 (2020): 99–119.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “Το οθωμανικό φρούριο της Σπιναλόγκας από την κατάκτησή του (1715) μέχρι τις αρχές του 19ου αιώνα” [The Ottoman Fortress of Spinalonga from its Conquest (1715) till the Beginning of the 19th Century]. *Τα Ιστορικά* 71 (2020): 113–40.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “‘Île des vins ou sombre écueil ? Points de vue ottomans sur les massacres de Chio. Pétition adressée au sultan Mahmud II (15 juin 1822).’” In *Les Ottomans par eux-mêmes*, edited by Elisabetta Borromeo and Nicolas Vatin, 253–57. Paris: Les Belles Lettres, 2020.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “Janissaries: A Key Institution for Writing the Economic and Political History of Ottoman Muslims in the Early Modern Period.” *Historical Reporter / ИСТОРИЧЕСКИЙ ВЕСТНИК* 29 (2019): 104–33.
- Anastasopoulos, Antonis, Stefanos Poullos, and Yannis Spyropoulos. “The Spread of Çiftliks (Large Estates) in the Eighteenth-Century Ottoman Balkans: The Case of the District of Veröia.” In *History, Culture and Research, vol. 3*, edited by D.-C. Rogojuanu and G. Boda, 90–109. Târgoviște: Cetatea de Scaun, 2019.
- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “Βεντέτες ‘υπέρ πίστεως και πατρίδος’; Ενδοχριστιανική βία και πολιτική στα Σφακιά στις παραμονές του 1821” [Blood Feuds for “Faith and Fatherland?” Intra-Christian Violence and Politics in Sfakia on the Eve of the 1821 Revolution]. In

*Όψεις της Επανάστασης του 1821* [Aspects of the 1821 Revolution], edited by Dimitris Dimitropoulos, Christos Loukos, and Panagiotis Michailaris, 107–22. Athens: Mnimon, 2018.

- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “Status Claims, Religion and Slave Ownership in Early Ottoman Crete (1650–1720).” In *Yücel Dağlı Anısına: “geldi Yücel, gitti Yücel. bir nefes gibi...”*, edited by Evangelia Balta, Yorgos Dedes, Emin Nedret İşli, and M. Sabri Koz, 469–93. Istanbul: Turkuaz, 2011.
- Sariyannis, Marinos and Yannis Spyropoulos. “Το οθωμανικό αρχείο του σιναϊτικού μετοχιού του Αγίου Ματθαίου στο Ηράκλειο Κρήτης (1673-1849)” [The Ottoman Archive of the Sinai Monastery’s Dependency of Hagios Matthaïos in Herakleio, Crete (1573–1849)]. In *Σιναϊτικά μετόχια σε Κρήτη και Κύπρο* [The Sinai Monastery’s Dependencies in Crete and Cyprus], 71–98. Athens: Foundation of Mount Sinai, 2009.

#### **Book Reviews:**

- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “Review of Leonidas Moiras, *Η ελληνική Επανάσταση μέσα από τα μάτια των Οθωμανών* [The Greek Revolution through Ottoman Eyes], Athens: Topos, 2020.” *Historein / Ιστορείν* 20, no. 2 (2022), <https://www.historein.gr/HTML/1424A2/main1424A2.html?1=1424&2=26371#>
- Spyropoulos, Yannis. “Review of Basil C. Gounaris, *‘See how the Gods Favour Sacrilege’: English Views and Politics on Candia under Siege (1645–1669)*, Athens: Institute of Historical Research / NHRF-Department of Neohellenic Research, 2012.” *The Historical Review / La Revue Historique* 10 (2013): 297–99.

#### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS – LECTURES – SEMINARS

- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Çalik Ahmed’s Dream: Unfolding the Political Vision of the Rebel Who Dethroned Mustafa II” paper presented at the Second Meeting of Balkan History “From the Janissaries to Macedonia, and beyond: Reconsidering Balkan Rebellions in the Ottoman and post-Ottoman Era: Concepts, Interpretative Frameworks and Methodologies,” organized by the École Française d’Athènes, and the ERC Project “MACAUTH: Macedonia(s) as a Laboratory for Balkan-wide Authoritarianism,” at the IMS/FORTH on February 25, 2025.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “«Αφιλέμποροι, αβιομήχανοι, αμαθείς;» Τι έχουν να μας πουν οι οθωμανικές πηγές για τη μουσουλμανική εμπορική ναυτιλία στην ανατολική Μεσόγειο (1700-1820);” [«Trade-haters, unindustrious, uneducated?» What do Ottoman sources tell us about Muslim commercial shipping in the eastern Mediterranean (1700-1820)?] lecture presented at the Society for the Study of Modern Hellenism (EMNE) in Athens on June 12, 2024.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Toward an Inclusive Approach of Ottoman Navigation before 1821” paper presented at the “A Greek-Turkish

History of the Ottoman and Post-Ottoman World” workshop organized and hosted by the École française d’Athènes in Athens on February 17, 2024.

- Yannis Spyropoulos, “The Janissary Protection Regime in a Comparative Perspective,” paper presented at the “Halcyon Days in Crete XII Symposium: ‘The Janissaries: Socio-Political and Economic Actors in the Ottoman Empire (17th–Early 19th Centuries)’,” organized and hosted by IMS/FORTH in Rethymno on January 10-12, 2024.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “JANET’s Monograph: Structure, Progress, and Considerations” paper presented at the “4th JANET Workshop,” organized by IMS/FORTH and hosted by Aristotle University of Thessaloniki on June 10, 2023.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Η οθωμανική Κρήτη μέσα από τη ματιά του Εμμανουήλ Βυβιλάκη” [Ottoman Crete through the Eyes of Emmanouil Vyvilakis], presentation on the occasion of the publication of Emmanouil Vyvilaki’s, *Νέα ιστορία της Κρήτης* (ed. Maria Sorou) at the Historical Museum of Crete in Herakleion on November 19, 2023.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Insights into Pursuing and Managing an ERC Grant” online seminar in the framework of FORTH’s Grants Management and Support Office seminar series for ERC applicants, organized on October 10, 2022.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Ottoman Black Communities: Their Cultural, Economic, Political, and Administrative Characteristics” paper presented in the framework of the “Settlement of Muslim Black Slaves in Early Modern Europe” conference organized by the University of Malta and the program “Cost Action CA18129 – Islamic Legacy: Narratives East, West, South, North of the Mediterranean (1350–1750)” in Valetta on September 27, 2022.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Istanbul Janissaries and their Trans-Provincial Connections: Two Janissary Letters Intercepted during the 1821 Greek War of Independence” paper presented at the “3rd JANET Workshop,” organized by Medeniyet University in Istanbul on September 14–15, 2022.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Τα Σφακιά στις παραμονές του 1821” [Sfakia on the Eve of 1821], paper presented in the framework of the “Τα Σφακιά και η ευρύτερη περιοχή τους κατά την Επανάσταση του 1821: τόπος και άνθρωποι” [Sfakia and Its Wider Area during the Revolution of 1821: Place and People] conference organized by the Region of Crete and the Municipality of Sfakia in Chania on July 2, 2022.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “The Janissaries of Crete, 1669–1826” online lecture in the framework of the “Greek History and Culture Public Seminar Series” organized by the Greek Community of Melbourne on June 23, 2022.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Η Επανάσταση του 1821 και η κατάργηση του γενιτσαρικού σώματος (1826): η αυτοκρατορική και τοπική διάσταση μιας ιδιαίτερης σχέσης” [The 1821 Revolution and the Abolition of the

Janissary Corps (1826): The Imperial and Local Dimensions of a Special Connection] paper presented in the framework of the “Η Ελληνική Επανάσταση. Νέες προσεγγίσεις” [The Greek Revolution. New Approaches] organized by the Society for the Study of Modern Hellenism (EMNE) and the journal *Mnimon* in Athens on June 15–16, 2022.

- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Janissary networks in Izmir (late 18th–early 19th century)” paper presented in the framework of the “Çaka Bey’den Günümüze İzmir Sempozyumu” organized by İzmir Katip Çelebi Üniversitesi and Türk Tarih Kurumu in Izmir on March 23–27, 2022.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Janissary Networks in the Early Modern Mediterranean: An ERC Project and the Case of Late-Eighteenth- and Early-Nineteenth-Century Izmir” online lecture organized by the Department of History of the Middle East Technical University (Ankara) in the framework of the latter’s “ODTÜ Tarih Konuşmaları (XVII)” lecture series on March 16, 2022.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Τα γενιτσαρικά δίκτυα ως αγωγοί εξεγέρσεων στην οθωμανική Μεσόγειο (τέλη 18ου-αρχές 19ου αιώνα)” [Janissary Networks as Vessels of Revolt in the Ottoman Mediterranean], at the online conference “Οθωμανική κρίση και επανάσταση / η Ελληνική Επανάσταση ως οθωμανική κρίση” organized by the MA program “Κρίση και ιστορική αλλαγή” of the Department of Social Anthropology and History of the University of the Aegean on November 24–25, 2021.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Τα Σφακιά στις παραμονές του 1821: η οπτική των οθωμανικών πηγών” [Sfakia on the Eve of 1821: The Ottoman Sources’ Perspective], at the online conference “Ένα νησί στην εποχή των επαναστάσεων: Κρήτη, 1821-1830” [An Island in the Age of Revolutions: Crete, 1821–1830], organized by the Society of Cretan Historical Studies and the Historical Museum of Crete (Herakleio) on October 8–9, 2021.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Pseudo-Janissarism (*Yeniçerilik İddiası*) in the Ottoman Provinces: It’s Emergence, Geographic and Socio-economic Aspects,” at the online workshop entitled “JANET: Janissaries in Ottoman Port-Cities: Muslim Financial and Political Networks in the Early Modern Mediterranean,” organized by İzmir Kâtip Çelebi Üniversitesi in the framework of the ERC StG 2019 under the same name (project id. 849911) in Izmir on September 10, 2021.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, İrfan Kokdaş, Mehmet Mert Sunar, and Aysel Yıldız, “Janissaries in Ottoman Port-Cities: Muslim Financial and Political Networks in the Early Modern Mediterranean,” online lecture organized by the University of California, Berkeley, the Ottoman and Turkish Studies Association, and the IMS/FORTH on September 10, 2021.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Janissaries in Crete: Establishing Muslim Networks on a Mediterranean Island, 1669–1826,” at the online “Mediterranean History Seminars” organized by the History Department at 29 Mayıs University in Istanbul on January 14, 2021.

- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Janissary Networks of Izmir and beyond: Ethnic, Regimental, Trans-provincial, and International Connections,” at the online workshop entitled “JANET: Janissaries in Ottoman Port-Cities: Muslim Financial and Political Networks in the Early Modern Mediterranean,” organized by I.M.S./FORTH in the framework of the ERC StG 2019 under the same name (project id. 849911) on September 18–19, 2020.
- Antonis Anastasopoulos, Stefanos Poullos, and Yannis Spyropoulos, “The Spread of Çiftlik (Large Estates) in the Eighteenth-Century Ottoman Balkans: The Case of the District of Veroia,” at the 3rd international conference History, Culture and Research, organized by the Museum of Dacian and Roman Civilization in Deva on November 1–2, 2019.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Janissary Networks in the Mediterranean (18th–Early 19th Centuries),” at the CIEPO-23 Symposium, organized by the Comité International des Études Pré-Ottomanes et Ottomanes, the New Bulgarian University, and the American University in Sofia on September 11–15, 2018.
- Antonis Anastasopoulos, Stefanos Poullos, and Yannis Spyropoulos, “‘Chiftlicisation’ in the 18th-Century Ottoman Balkans: Preliminary Remarks about the District of Veroia,” at the CIEPO-23 Symposium, organized by the Comité International des Études Pré-Ottomanes et Ottomanes, the New Bulgarian University, and the American University in Sofia on September 11–15, 2018.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Γενίτσαροι: ένας θεσμός «κλειδί» για την κατανόηση της οικονομικής και πολιτικής ιστορίας των οθωμανών μουσουλμάνων στην πρώιμη νεώτερη εποχή” [Janissaries: A ‘Key’ Institution for Understanding the Economic and Political History of Ottoman Muslims in the Early Modern Era], at the 39th Panhellenic Historical Conference, organized by the Hellenic Historical Society on May 23–25, 2018.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Μια άγνωστη διασπορά: γενιτσαρικά δίκτυα στη Μεσόγειο (18ος-αρχές 19ου αιώνα)” [An Unknown Diaspora: Janissary Networks in the Mediterranean (18th–Early 19th Centuries)] talk in the framework of the Seminar of the Division of Modern and Contemporary History, Folklore, and Social Anthropology of the Department of History and Archaeology of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki in Thessaloniki on December 14, 2017.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Reassessing the Role of Christian Violence in Pre-1821 Ottoman Crete,” at the 14th International Congress of Ottoman Social and Economic History (ICOSEH), organized by the St. Kliment Ohridski University and the International Association of Ottoman Social and Economic History (IAOSEH) in Sofia on July 24–28, 2017.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Running Water for the Officials, Rain Water for the Poor: Symbolic Use and Control of Water in Ottoman Crete” at the CIEPO-22 Symposium, organized by the Comité International des

Études Pré-Ottomanes et Ottomanes and Karadeniz Teknik Üniversitesi in Trabzon on October 4–8, 2016.

- Maria Vakondiou and Yannis Spyropoulos, “Υδάτινο περιβάλλον και διαχείριση υδάτινων πόρων στην Κρήτη της βενετικής και της οθωμανικής περιόδου: βάση δεδομένων waterincrete.ims.forth.gr και ιστορικά πορίσματα” [Water Environment and Water-Resource Administration in Crete of the Venetian and Ottoman Periods: waterincrete.ims.forth.gr Database and Historical Conclusions] talk in the framework of the presentation of the results of the research projects “History of Water-Resources Management in Greece: The Case of Crete” and “Social Parameters and Consequences of the Phenomenon of the Disease: A Historical Approach,” organized by I.M.S./FORTH in Rethymno on May 19, 2017.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Μια ξεχασμένη ιστορία: Αφρικανικές κοινότητες στην οθωμανική Ελλάδα και τη Μικρά Ασία” [A Forgotten Tale: African Communities in the Ottoman Greek Lands and Asia Minor] talk at the Centre for Asia Minor Studies in Athens on June 22, 2016.
- Konstantina Zanou, Maurizio Isabella, Sia Anagnostopoulou, Antonis Liakos, Anta Dialla, and Yannis Spyropoulos, “Συζητήσεις για την ιστορία: Ήταν η Ελληνική Επανάσταση μοναδική; Συζήτηση με αφορμή το βιβλίο ‘Mediterranean Diasporas: Politics and Ideas in the Long 19th cent’ (edited by Konstantina Zanou and Maurizio Isabella)” [Debates on History: Was the Greek National Revolution Unique? A Debate on the Occasion of the Publication of the Book “Mediterranean Diasporas: Politics and Ideas in the Long 19th cent” (edited by Konstantina Zanou and Maurizio Isabella)] meeting organized by the online magazine “Chronos” in Athens on March 22, 2016.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Mahmudian Politics and Christian Violence in Prerevolutionary Ottoman Crete (1817–1821)” at the “réunion du CETOBaC” meeting at the EHESS-Ecole des hautes études en sciences sociales in Paris on November 12, 2015.
- Nicolas Vatin and Yannis Spyropoulos, “Comment traiter les rebelles (1572, 1822)?” at the “Les Ottomans par eux mêmes” seminar organized by the Centre d’Études Turques, Ottomanes, Balkaniques et Centrasiatiques (CETOBaC) at the Institut d’études arabes, turques et islamiques (Collège de France) in Paris on October 14, 2015.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Βεντέτες ‘υπέρ Πίστεως και Πατρίδος’; Ενδοχριστιανική βία και πολιτική στα Σφακιά στις παραμονές του 1821” [Blood Feuds for “Faith and Fatherland”? Intra-Christian Violence and Politics in Sfakia on the Eve of the 1821 Revolution] at the “Aspects of the 1821 Revolution” conference organized by the Society for the Study of Modern Hellenism (EMNE) and the journal Mnimon in Athens on June 12–13, 2015.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “The Imperial Janissaries of Crete, 1669–1826” at the “International Conference on Ottoman Studies I: Janissaries/ Uluslararası Osmanlı Çalışmaları Konferansı I: Yeniçeriler” organized

by the Yıldız Teknik Üniversitesi (Istanbul) and the Akdeniz Üniversitesi (Antalya) in Istanbul on April 25, 2015.

- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Decentralization of Political Power, Military Revolts, and the Question of ‘Democratization’ in the Ottoman Empire: The Case of Crete, 1750–1826” at the “Church, Army, and Democracy in the Mediterranean, 1750–1860” conference organized by the University of Oxford and the Leverhulme Trust in Athens on March 6–7, 2015.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Janissary Politics on the Ottoman Frontier: Crete, 1669–1826” at the “Halcyon Days in Crete IX: Political Thought and Practice in the Ottoman Empire” symposium organized by the Institute for Mediterranean Studies in Rethymno on January 9–11, 2015.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, «Το οθωμανικό φρούριο της Σπιναλόγκας» [The Ottoman Fortress of Spinalonga] at the “Spinalonga: a World Cultural Heritage Monument” meeting organized by the Cultural Organization of the Municipality of Agios Nikolaos, Crete in Elounda on August 23, 2013.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “The Vaka-i Hayriye in Crete: The Many Aspects of a Military Reform on the Road to Modernity” at the “Rethinking the Long 19th Century in the Ottoman Empire” workshop organized by the Ottoman Studies Group at Oxford, in cooperation with Ertegun House and the Middle East Centre at St. Antony’s College (University of Oxford) in Oxford on May 11, 2013.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Slaves and Freedmen in Early Ottoman Crete” at the “Atelier international sur l’esclavage dans l’Empire ottoman” workshop organized by the Centre d’études turques, ottomans, balkaniques et centrasiatiques CETOBaC (CNRS – EHESS – Collège de France) in Paris on November 23, 2012.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Οι γενίτσαροι και η μουσουλμανική κοινότητα της Κρήτης” [The Janissaries and the Muslim Community of Crete] talk given at the Benaki Museum of Islamic Art in Athens on April 19, 2012.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Το οθωμανικό φρούριο της Σπιναλόγκας από την κατάκτησή του (1715) μέχρι τις αρχές του 19ου αιώνα” [The Ottoman Fortress of Spinalonga from its Conquest (1715) till the Beginning of the 19th Century] at the “11th International Cretological Congress” organized by the Association on Historical and Folklore Studies in Rethymno from October 21, 2011 till October 27, 2011.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “The Non-Military Functions of the Military of Crete, 1750–1826” at the “2nd Ottoman History Workshop” organized by the European University Institute in Florence on June 6, 2011.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “Cretans and Muslims: The Janissaries of Crete and their Collective Identities (1750–1826)” at the “Greek Experience Under Ottoman Rule” workshop organized by the Princeton University’s Program in Hellenic Studies and the University of the

Aegean's Department of Social Anthropology and History in Mytilene from June 25, 2010 till June 27, 2010.

- Yannis Spyropoulos, “‘The Sultan knows that the claim of being a janissary is widespread in Kandiye’: The Janissaries of Crete and their Identities (1750–1826)” at the “RCAC Mini-Symposia: Provincial Officials in the Ottoman Empire during the Mid-18th and 19th Centuries: Formation, Functions, Identities” organized by the Koç Research Center for Anatolian Civilizations in Istanbul on May 14, 2010.
- Yannis Spyropoulos, “The Janissaries of Crete as a Military Unit and an Interest Group from the Second Half of the 18th Century to the Suppression of the Janissary Corps (1826)” at the “Tributary Empires Compared: Romans, Mughals and Ottomans in the Pre-Industrial World from Antiquity till the Transition to Modernity” graduate seminar organized by the COST-A35: “Tributary Empires Compared” Action in Rome (Saxo Institute) from April 21, 2009 till April 23, 2009.

## ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

- Organization of the international Halcyon Days in Crete XII Symposium under the title “The Janissaries: Socio-Political and Economic Actors in the Ottoman Empire (17th–Early 19th Centuries),” in the framework of the ERC StG 2019 (project id. 849911). The conference was organized at the IMS/FORTH in Rethymno on January 12–14, 2024.
- Organization of a workshop under the title “JANET: Janissaries in Ottoman Port-Cities: Muslim Financial and Political Networks in the Early Modern Mediterranean,” in the framework of the ERC StG 2019 under the same name (project id. 849911). The workshop was organized under the auspices of the IMS/FORTH in Aristotle University of Thessaloniki on June 10, 2020.
- Organization of a two-day online kick-off workshop under the title “JANET: Janissaries in Ottoman Port-Cities: Muslim Financial and Political Networks in the Early Modern Mediterranean,” in the framework of the ERC StG 2019 under the same name (project id. 849911). The workshop was organized under the auspices of the IMS/FORTH on September 18–19, 2020.
- Organization (together with Juliana Boycheva, Apostolos Delis, Marinos Sariyannis, and Gelina Harlaftis) of an online seminar on how to write ERC proposals, entitled “ERC in the Humanities: Developing a Strategy for Success” under the auspices of the IMS/FORTH on May 20, 2020.
- Organization (together with Antonis Anastasopoulos and Stefanos Poullos) of a one-day conference entitled “Provincial Elites, Rural Relations and Taxation in the Seventeenth and Eighteenth-Century Balkans” at the Department of History and Archaeology of the Faculty of Letters of the University of Crete on April 15, 2019.

## SUPERVISION OF PHD AND MA THESES

*PhD Theses:*

- **2024–**: Ignacio Donal Villalon, “*Kouloughli* Social Authority in Algeria (1807–1870),” PhD dissertation (in English), University of Crete (Department of History and Archaeology) and Foundation for Research and Technology, Hellas (Institute for Mediterranean Studies). Co-supervised with Antonis Anastasopoulos (University of Crete).
- **2020–**: Evita Dandali, “Οι γενίτσαροι στη Θεσσαλονίκη (18ος – αρχές 19ου αι.)” [The Janissaries in Thessaloniki (18th- early 19th centuries)], PhD dissertation (in Greek), University of Crete (Department of History and Archaeology) and Foundation for Research and Technology, Hellas (Institute for Mediterranean Studies). Co-supervised with Antonis Anastasopoulos (University of Crete).

*MA Theses:*

- **2024–**: Dionisis Papatiroopoulos, “Οργάνωση και λειτουργία των βακουφιών του Ρεθύμνου στα μέσα του 19ου αιώνα” [Organization and Function of the Waqfs of Rethymno in the Middle of the 19th Century] MA Thesis (in Greek), University of Crete (Department of History and Archaeology) and Foundation for Research and Technology, Hellas (Institute for Mediterranean Studies).
- **2024–**: Nektaria Methymaki, “Τα καφενεία ως χώροι κοινωνικοποίησης, πολιτικής και επανάστασης στην «Εποχή της Τουλίπας» (1718-1730)” [Cafés as Spaces of Socialization, Politics, and Revolution in the “Tulip Era” (1718–1730)], MA Thesis (in Greek), University of Crete (Department of History and Archaeology) and Foundation for Research and Technology, Hellas (Institute for Mediterranean Studies).