# Curriculum Vitae

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**Place of birth:** Larissa, Greece

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A historian of the Middle and Late Byzantine Period (7th-15th c.), Dr. Anastasia Kontogiannopoulou has written extensively about the economic and administrative organization of Byzantium during the Palaiologan Era (1261-1453) and various aspects of economic, ecclesiastical and social life, especially during the middle and late Byzantine period (7th-15th c.). She is the author of two books, and the editor of another one. She has published over twenty essays on various topics.

She received her B.A in History (1995), M.A. and PhD in Byzantine History (1997 and 2003 respectively) from the Department of History and Archaeology, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (Greece). She was Fellow of the Greek State Scholarships Foundation for Ph.D. (2000-2003) and post-doctoral research (2004-2005).

She has worked in many research centers in Greece as Associate Researcher of Byzantine History and she has taught Byzantine History at the Hellenic Open University. She has also participated in Seminars of Byzantine History in Greece and France, and in many national and international Scientific Congresses. She has been appointed at the Research Centre for Medieval and Modern Hellenism of the Academy of Athens (KEMNE/Greece) since 2008.

Her research focuses on the institutional and social structure of Late Byzantine cities. Her diverse scholarly interests include provincial administration, population movements, and fiscal organization in Byzantium.

**Academic Positions**

- **Senior Researcher,** Research Centre for Medieval and Modern Hellenism, Academy of Athens (2020-).
- **Associate Researcher**, Research Centre for Medieval and Modern Hellenism, Academy of Athens (2013-2020).
- **Junior Researcher**, Research Centre for Medieval and Modern Hellenism, Academy of Athens (2008-2013).
- **Collaborating Instructor**, School of Humanities, Hellenic Open University, Studies in Greek Civilization (2017-2018). She taught the course ELP20 "Public and Private Life in Greece I: From Antiquity to Post-Byzantine Times".
- **Collaborating Instructor**, School of Humanities, Hellenic Open University, Studies in European Civilization (2005-2006, 2006-2007, 2008-2009, 2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2015-2016, 2016-2017)
  She taught the course EPO30 "Byzantine and the Western World".
- **Research Associate**, Institute for Byzantine Research, National Hellenic Research Foundation (2004-2005).
  Main research interests: the fiscal policy of the byzantine emperors in the last centuries of Byzantium ($13^{th}$-$15^{th}$ c.).
- **Research Associate,** Foundation of the Hellenic World (1998-1999).
  Main research interests: the study of byzantine history and culture. She wrote scientific texts relating to the presentation of the byzantine history online (see http://www.ime.gr/chronos/08/en/info/index.html). She contributed to the application development and the web design.

**Education**

- **Ph.D.** Byzantine History (2003), Department of History and Archaeology, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece. Title of the Ph.D. thesis: "The domestic policy of Andronicus II Palaeologus (1282-1328): Administration – Economy".
- **M.A.** in Byzantine History (1997), Department of History and Archaeology, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece.
- **B.A.** in History (1995), Department of History and Archaeology, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece.

**Postgraduate Seminars**

- Université Paris-1, Panthéon-Sorbonne, France (2000-2001)
- École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales, France (2000-2001)
- Institute for Byzantine Research, National Hellenic Research Foundation (1998-1999)

**Academic Honors**

- **Fellowship** from the Greek State Scholarships Foundation (2004-2005)
- Ph.D. obtained with **distinctions** (2003)

- **Fellowship** from the Greek State Scholarships Foundation (2000-2003)
- Master obtained with **distinctions** (1997)

**Congresses – Invited Talks**

- 20th Panhellenic Historical Congress, Thessaloniki, Greece (1999).
- 31th Panhellenic Historical Congress, Thessaloniki, Greece (2010).
- 22nd International Congress of Byzantine Studies, Sofia, Bulgaria (2011).
- 34rd Panhellenic Historical Congress, Thessaloniki, Greece (2013).
- Center for Hellenic Studies, Harvard University, Nafplio, Greece (2013).
- Hellenic Parliament Foundation and Greek Legal History Society, Workshop in Memory of K. Pitsakis, Athens, Greece (2014).
- National Hellenic Research Foundation, Institute of Historical Research, Workshop intitled *"Social" Profiles and "Social" Groups: Perceptions of Social Position in Byzantium*, Athens, Greece (2014).
- Academy of Athens, International Workshop intitled *The prosopography of the thematic administration: old and new evidence on the Opsikion, the Anatolikoi and the Kibyrraiotai*, Athens, Greece (2015).
- 3rd Postgraduate Seminar The Greek-latin World (13th-18th c.) (Department of History and Archaeology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens in collaboration with the Research Center for Medieval and Modern Hellenism of the Academy of Athens and the Institute of Historical Research of the National Hellenic Research Foundation), Athens, Greece (2015).
- 23rd International Congress of Byzantine Studies, Belgrade, Serbia (2016).
- 4th Postgraduate Seminar The Greek-latin World (13th-18th c.) (Department of History and Archaeology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens in collaboration with the Research Center for Medieval and Modern Hellenism of the Academy of Athens and the Institute of Historical Research of the National Hellenic Research Foundation), Athens, Greece (2016).
- International Symposium in Honor of emeritus professor George Velenis, Thessaloniki, Greece (2017).
- 3rd Congress of Local History, Kozani and its Region from Byzantine to Modern Times, Kozani, Greece (2018).
- Interdisciplinary Postgraduate Seminar "Nikos Oikonomides" 2020-2021 (Department of History and Archaeology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens in collaboration with the Institute of Historical Research of the National Hellenic Research Foundation), Athens, Greece (February 2021).
- Présentation de l'ouvrage ***Famagusta, Vol. II: History and Society*, ed. by Gilles Grivaud, Angel Nicolaou-Konnari, Chris Schabel, Brepols 2020** with Evelin Chayes, Anna Marangou, Nikos Karapidakis, Gilles Grivaud, and Angel Nicolaou-Konnari, École française d'Athènes, 20 May 2021.
- **International Medieval Congress 2022 at the University of Leeds (4-7 July 2022). Session:** Moving Byzantium I: Layers, Institutions, and Terminologies of

Mobility in the Medieval Roman Empire, Moderator Claudia Rapp. Title of paper: «Population Movements in Late Byzantium (mid-13th – late 14th century): Involuntary Migrations».

- **24rd International Congress of Byzantine Studies** (Venice and Padua, 22-27 August 2022), RT17- State and Society in the Palaiologan Period (13th-15th Century). Conveners: Marie-Hélène Blanchet, Raúl Estangüi Gómez, Title of paper: « Forms of Political Power in Byzantine Macedonia in the Second Half of the 14th Century. The Case of Christoupolis' Region ».
- **ECOMED-JE4 Les économies méditerranéennes à la fin du Moyen Âge (1350-1500) : sources et méthodes (Occident Latin, Empire Byzantin, Islam), Sorbonne-Paris (2 juin 2023**), title of paper: "Exploring the Late Byzantine Urban Economy (Mid-14th-Mid-15th Centuries): Written Sources and Archaeological Data".
- **Séminaire Paléologues**, 5 October 2023, Ėcole d'Histoire, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, title of lecture "Migrations dans l'état byzantin (milieu du XIIIe siècle-fin du XIVe siècle). Les migrations involontaires".
- Interdisciplinary Postgraduate Seminar "Nikos Oikonomides" 2023-2024 (Department of History and Archaeology, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens in collaboration with the Institute of Historical Research of the National Hellenic Research Foundation), Athens, Greece (27 Mars 2024).
- «*Cher collègue et ami*», «*Σεβαστέ μου κύριε καθηγητά*». Συλλογή επιστολών προς Διονύσιο Α. Ζακυθηνό (1930-1990). Conference, 6 November 2024, **Academy of Athens**, title of paper «Ο Διονύσιος Α. Ζακυθηνός στη Διεθνή Ένωση Βυζαντινών Σπουδών (1961-1976). Μια κομβική συμβολή».
- **12th Meeting of Greek Byzantinists**, Rethymno, 25–28 September 2025. Presentation title: "Migratory movements in the Byzantine world, 1261–1453: The research project".
- **Postgraduate Studies Program** of the Department of History, Archaeology and Social Anthropology, University of Thessaly, Volos, 11 March 2026. Lecture title: "Forced population displacements in Byzantium through the sources (mid-13th – late 14th century)".

- **KEDIVIM/AUTh Seminar** – Department of Byzantine History, Center for Byzantine Research (CBR/AUTh), "Byzantine Thessaloniki through the sources", Center for Byzantine Research/AUTh, 7 May 2026. Course title: "The institutional framework of Thessaloniki during the final century of Byzantine rule (1350–1423): The evidence of narrative sources, correspondence, and archival material of the period".

**Skills**

***Languages***: Greek, English, French.

**Scientific community**

***Member of***: Greek Association of Byzantine Studies, Hellenic Historical Society.
***Member of***: Hellenic Historical Society (Thessaloniki) since 1999.
***Member of***: Greek Commitee of Byzantine Studies (Athens) since 2011.
***Member of the editorial board*** of the scientific journal "Medievalia et Neohellenica."
***Reviewer for the scientific journals***: "Revue des Études Byzantines" (Institut Français d'Etudes Byzantines, Paris), "Byzantina Symmeikta" (Institute of Historical Research/Section of Byzantine Research, NHRF, Athens), "Byzantiaka" (Hellenic Historical Society, Thessaloniki).
***Member of the editorial team*** of the "Byzantinische Zeitschrift" (Institut für Byzantinistik, Neogräzistik und Byzantinische Kunstgeschichte Universität München, Munich).
**Evaluator** of applications for the 2026 Call for Proposals / ERASMUS+ 2021-2027 / Key Action 1 (KA1) and Key Action 2 (KA2) in the sectors of Education and Training – State Scholarships Foundation (IKY).
***Member of*** the PhD Advisory Committee of the post-graduate student Panagiotes Nikolaou. Title of PhD "Ethno-cultural groups and population movements in Late Byzantine Peloponnese ($13^{th}$-$15^{th}$ c.)" (National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Department of History and Archeology).

**ii) List of publications**

**Book**:
1. *The Domestic Policy of Andronicus II Palaeologus (1282-1328): Administration – Economy*, Byzantine Texts and Studies 36, Thessaloniki 2004.

2. *Local Councils in Byzantine Cities. Tradition and Evolution ($13^{th}$-$15^{th}$ centuries)*, Academy of Athens 2015.

**Collective Volume**

*Cities and Power in Byzantium during the Palaiologan Era (1261-1453)*, ed. Anastasia Kontogiannopoulou, Academy of Athens 2018.

**Publications in journals**:

1. "Two unpublished documents of the Skiathos island native Dimitrakis Oikonomou 1785-1800", *Thessaliko Imerologio* 29 (1996), 181-192 (in greek).

2. "The schism of Arseniates (1265-1310). Contribution to the evolution and the character of the movement", *Byzantiaka* 18 (1998), 177-235 (in greek).

3. "The portrait of the patriarch Arsenios Autorianos in the church of Virgin in Chryssafa of Lakonia (1289/1290)", *Byzantiaka* 19 (1999), 223-238 (in greek).

4. "La fiscalité à Byzance sous les Paléologues (13-15 siècle) : les impôts directs et indirects", *Revue des Etudes Byzantines* 67 (2009), 5-57.

5. "Financial information about Thessaly from documents of the 13th and 14th centuries", *Byzantiaka* 29 (2010-2011), 163-177 (in greek).

6. "City councils in Byzantium. A contribution to the study of collective activities during the last Byzantine centuries (13th-15th c.) ", *Mesaionika kai Nea Hellinika* 10 (2012), 9-33 (in greek).

7. "The Notion of "demos" and its Role in Byzantium during the Last Centuries (13th-15th c.)", *Byzantina Symmeikta* 22 (2012), 101-124.

8. "Le qualificatif *kyr* dans la société byzantine", *Byzantina* 32 (2012), 209-222 (in greek).

9. "Social stratification in byzantine cities (11th-15th c.). The case of kastrenoi", *Mesaionika kai Nea Ellinika* 11 (2014), 9-28 (in greek).

10. "Formes d'organisation collective dans les villes byzantines: questions de terminologie (7e-12e s.)", *Revue des Etudes Byzantines* 72 (2014), 235-248.

11. "Aspects of the social organization and the functions of byzantine demos: the evidence of literary sources (13th-15th c.)", in *Social Profiles and Social Position in Byzantium. Testimonies and Interpretations*, ed. Efi Ragia, National Hellenic Research Foundation, Institute of Historical Research 2014, Athens 2025, 139-154 (in greek).

12. "Eōa / Anatolē, Anatolikoi: Notional Approach of the Terms through Byzantine Literary Sources", *TAKTIKON. Studies on the Prosopography and Administration of the Byzantine themata*, eds. Olga Karagiorgou/ Pantelis Charalampakis/ Christos Malatras, Athens 2021, 403-409.

13. «The notion of koinon in the Chronicle of Morea and Chronicle of Tocci (14th-15th c.)», *Mesaionika kai Nea Ellinika* 12 (2016), 133-145 (in greek).

14. «Internal migrations in Late Byzantium (mid-13th-end 14th c.)», *Byzantina Symmeikta* 27 (2017), 211-238 (in greek).

15. “Cities and political confrontation in Byzantium in the 14th century”, *International Symposium in Honor of Emeritus Professor George Velenis, Thessaloniki 4-7/10/2017, Proceedings,* Athens 2021, 269-274 (in greek).

16. “Between Constantinople and Thessalonike: Administrative and social organization in Serres (1261 – 1383)”, *Cities and Power in Byzantium during the Palaiologan Era (1261-1453)*, ed. by Anastasia Kontogiannopoulou, Academy of Athens 2018, 121-160 (in greek).

17. “Les femmes impériales (*despoines*) des Paléologues et la cour de Thessalonique”, *Mesaionika kai Nea Ellinika* 13 (2019), 45-67 (in greek).

18. “The provincial administration of Byzantium during the 13$^{th}$ and 14$^{th}$ century: The case of Western Macedonia”, *Proceedings of the 3rd Congress of Local History Kozani and its Region from Byzantine to Modern Era, Kozani 7-9 December 2018*, eds. Ch. Karaniasios, B. Diapha-Kampouridou, Kozani 2019, 51-62 (in greek).

19. «Autonomy, Apostasy and the Administration of Macedonia and Thrace in the Palaiologan Period (Mid-14$^{th}$ – Mid-15$^{th}$ Century)», *Travaux et Mémoires* 25/1 (2021), 333-360.

20. “The Byzantine Empire”, in *The Routledge Handbook of Public Taxation in Medieval Europe*, eds. Denis Menjot, Mathieu Caesar, Florent Garnier, Pere Verdés Pijuan, 2023, p. 389-407.

21. “Forms of Political Power in Byzantine Macedonia in the Second Half of the 14th Century. The Case of Christoupolis’ Region”, in *State and Society in the Palaiologan Era (13$^{th}$-15$^{th}$ centuries)*, ed. Marie-Hélène Blanchet and Raúl Estangüi Gómez, Rourledge: London/New York 2025, 108-126.

22. “Provincial Administration Networks in Late Byzantium (1261-1387): Thessalonike-Berroia-Serres”, *Medievalia et Neohellenica* 15 (2023-2024), 151-188.

23. “1319. The beautiful city of Ioannina and its prudent inhabitants”, World History of Greece, eds. Tassos Anastasiadis, Véronique Chankowski, Angelos Ntalachanis, Efi Gazi, Gilles Grivaud, Tonia Kiousopoulou, Marinos Sarigiannis, Kostas Blassopoulos (forthcoming).

24. “The Palaiologan State and its Relations with the West (1261-1453)”, Chapter 7 in the textbook for the EPO30 course of the Hellenic Open University (Patras), titled *Byzantine and Western World: Political, Social, and Cultural Contacts and Interactions (5th-15th Century)*, 365-401.

25. “D. A. Zakythinos in the International Association of Byzantine Studies (1961-1976). A Pivotal Contribution”, Proceedings of the Conference Ημερίδας «*Cher collègue et ami*», «*Σεβαστέ μου κύριε καθηγητά*». *Collection of Letters to Dionysios A. Zakythinos (1930-1990)*, ed. D. Vlami, Academy of Athens, 2025, 51-68.
26. “Networks of Power. Governance and Administration in the Byzantine Peloponnese, 1348–1460”, *Book of Abstracts, 25th International Congress of Byzantine Studies, Vienna, 24-29 August 2026*, eds. Adrian C. Pirtea, Giulia Rossetto, Nikos Zagklas, Vienna 2026, 141-142.

Participation in Programs

• Principal investigator of the research program at the Research Center for Medieval and Modern Hellenism of the Academy of Athens, titled “Cities in Byzantium (13th-15th century): Economy, Administration, Society”. The program aims to systematically study cities during the late Byzantine period, particularly in the last centuries (13th-15th century). Among the specific topics investigated are political and administrative institutions, as well as the social structures of urban centers (social bodies, collectivities, etc.) in their developmental trajectory. Additionally, the program examines the economic structures of cities, their role as productive and commercial centers, and their relationships with their rural surroundings.

• Participation in the collective research program of the Research Center for Medieval and Modern Hellenism of the Academy of Athens titled “Social and Intellectual Mobility of Modern Hellenism. Paths of Individuals, Ideas, Goods (1204-1821)”.

• 2013-2015: Collaborator in the National Digital Infrastructure for Research in Arts and Humanities (DYAS/DARIAH-GR) project.

• 2016: Collaborator in the program of the Union Académique Internationale for Mediterranean cities (program coordinator: Flocel Sabate, University of Lleida, Spain).

• 2023-2028: Collaborator in the interdisciplinary program of the University of Paris-1 Sorbonne, ECOMED: Les économies méditerranéennes à la fin du Moyen Âge (1350-1500) : crises, reconstructions, restructurations (ANR-23-CE27-ECOMED; 2024-2028).

• October-November 2023: Fondation Maison des Sciences de l'Homme, DEA (Directeurs d'études associés) mobility program. Title of the funded proposal: "Cities and Fortified Settlements in Late Byzantine Macedonia and Thrace (mid-13th – mid-15th centuries)".

- 2025-2028: Principal Investigator in the program **MIGRATION MOVEMENTS IN BYZANTINE WORLD (1261-1453)** (MIMOZA project), funded by the Hellenic Foundation for Research and Innovation (≈ 150.000 €).
- 2026–2023: Collaborator in the funded research project **Byz-GOVAG – Agents of Cohesion in the Governance of an Empire: The Anthropogeography of Byzantium, 7th–12th Centuries** (HORIZON-ERC-2024-ADG / 101200199), led by Principal Investigator Dr Olga Karagiorgou (≈ 2.500.000 €).

**iii) Research achievements**

In the last ten years, the Principal Investigator has published many studies in the best (pear reviewed) international journals of Byzantine Studies. She was Fellow of the State Scholarships Foundation for Ph.D. (2000-2003) and post-doctoral research (2004-2005). The first scholarship is granted to one candidate in the field of Byzantine History after written examination. The second one is granted to one candidate in the general field of History. She had the honor to be elected as Junior Researcher (D) in the Research Centre for Medieval and Modern Hellenism of the Academy of Athens (in 2007), among many others by a committee presented the very distinguished byzantinist and at that time professor of Byzantine History at the Harvard University and Member of the Academy of Athens, Dr. Angeliki Laiou. She conceptualized and organized her main research project: "The Byzantine Cities: Economy- Administration- Society ($11^{th}$-$15^{th}$ c.)". In 2012 she was elected as Assistant Researcher (C) and in 2018 as Senior Researcher (B) in the same Research Centre. In 2023 she was Invited Researcher of DEA Programme, the International mibility programme for professors and senior researchers of the Fondation Maison des Sciences de l'Homme.

DOCTORAL THESES (as supervisor or member of the advisory committee or external examiner)

A. COMPLETED

External examiner for the PhD defense of Ms. Eirini Politi, with the thesis intitled *Οι σχέσεις της άρχουσας τάξης και της Ορθόδοξης Εκκλησίας με τον μουσουλμανικό κόσμο της Μ. Ασίας (1261-1453)* (*The relations of the ruling class and the Orthodox church with the Muslim world in Asia Minor, 1261-1453*) (date of defense 31/3/2023).

B. IN PREPARATION

1. Member of the advisory committee for the PhD of Panagiotis Nikolaou in Byzantine History with the topic of the dissertation being "Ethno-cultural groups and population movements in Late Byzantine Peloponnese ($13^{th}$-$15^{th}$ century), National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Department of History and Archaeology.
2. Member of the advisory committee for the PhD of Zisis Tsiopas in Byzantine History with the topic of the dissertation being "The response of the populations of Thrace and Macedonia to Turkish expansion (ca 1354-1453), University of Thessaly, Department of History, Archaeology and Social Anthropology.

MASTER'S THESES (as supervisor or member of the advisory committee or external examiner)

COMPLETED

Member of the advisory committee for the master's thesis of Byzantine History graduate student Theodoros Faltakas, titled "Byzantine-Turkish Relations between the 13th and 14th Centuries (ca. 1259–1354)" (University of Thessaly, Department of History, Archaeology, and Social Anthropology) (23/06/2025).
Member of the advisory committee for the Master's thesis of Byzantine History graduate student Emmanouil Athanasiou, titled: "The attempt to revive Byzantine naval power by Emperors Andronikos III Palaiologos (1328-1341) and John VI Kantakouzenos (1347-1354) through the latter's historiographical work titled *Histories*" (National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Department of History and Archaeology), commenced March 2026.
**Member of the three-member examining committee for the Master's thesis** of the postgraduate student in Byzantine History, Mr. Apostolos Sofotasios, entitled "The Despot Manuel Palaiologos in Thessaloniki and the chrysobull for the lifelong governance of 'the cities in Macedonia and Thessaly'" (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki) (Assembly of the Department of History and Archaeology, meeting no. 573/10.06.2026).

Dissemination of scientific research

- Participation in the COSMOTE History program “Mixani tou xronou” on the topic “Constantine Palaiologos. The last emperor of Byzantium” (April 2024).
- May 25, 2026 10:00–11:00: Guest speaker on the premier episode of 89.5 FM's Special Feature on Mystras. Topic of the broadcast: Mystras, the history of the region, and its evolution up until the Fall of Constantinople.

## Additional Information

Languages: Greek (native), French (proficient), English (proficient), German (basic knowledge), Italian (basic knowledge).
Computer Skills: Microsoft Office, Internet, Excel, training undertaken as part of the Academy of Athens project: Innovative initiatives for the utilization and promotion of the cultural and scientific heritage of the Academy of Athens, DOTSOFT (2024).