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### 2<sup>nd</sup> WORKSHOP

# Security & Stability in the Mediterranean and the Middle East

## 25-26-27 May 2017 Athens, Greece

This Workshop is organized by the Institute of International Economic Relations (IIER/IDOS) of Athens in collaboration with:

- The Department of Political and Social Sciences, University of Catania, Italy
- The Department of Mediterranean Studies, University of the Aegean (Rhodes), Greece
- The Université Clermont Auvergne (UCA), France
- The ARAID Foundation (Zaragoza) and the Research Unit on European & International Studies of the University of Zaragoza, Spain

and with the additional support of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean/PAM

#### **FINAL PROGRAMME**

#### Thursday 25 May

12.00-14.00 <u>Inaugural PUBLIC EVENT</u>
ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION: "The Mediterranean in 2017"
<u>Venue</u>: Kranidiotis Auditorium - Hellenic Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
Akadimias Str. 1.

Please note the special venue of this opening session of the workshop

#### Speakers:

- Prof. **Gregory Hall**, (Patterson School of Diplomacy and International Commerce, University of Kentucky, USA)
- H.E. Dr. Alia Bouran, Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean/PAM Vice-President and President of the 1st Standing PAM Committee on Security-related Cooperation (Jordanian Parliament)
- Prof. Fulvio Attinà, (Department of Political and Social Sciences, Università di Catania, Italy)

<u>CHAIR</u>: Prof. **Charalambos Tsardanidis** (IDOS Athens & University of the Aegean in Rhodes, Greece)

#### 16.30 -17.00 Registration for the Workshop

#### \*\* Venue \*\*:

Institute of International Economic Relations, 16 Panepistimiou Str., Second Floor

#### 17.00-19.00, Panel 1: Internal and External Challenges

**Victor Valentini** (Université Clermont Auvergne/UCA & Institut des Hautes Études de Défense Nationale/HEDN, France), *Microstates and Mediterranean Security* 

**George Kyris** (University of Birmingham, UK), Conflict, Statehood and Sovereignty in World Politics: The International Community and Unrecognised States

Inmaculada Marrero Rocha (Universidad de Granada, Spain), Foreign Fighters and European Security

CHAIR: Stelios Stavridis (ARAID/Universidad de Zaragoza, Spain)

#### 19.00 Welcome Reception

#### Friday 26 May

### 10.00 – 12.00, Panel 2: New Perspectives and Practices from the Middle East Region and Beyond

Aharon Klieman (Tel-Aviv University, Israel), Middle Eastern Declinism

Hamid Alkifaey (writer, journalist and academic, UK), Islam and democracy in Arab States

CHAIR: Emmanuel Karagiannis (King's College London, UK)

12.00 - 12.30 Coffee Break

#### 12.30-14.30, Panel 3: Parliamentary Diplomacy

**Vivi Kefala** (University of the Aegean, Rhodes, Greece), *The Greek Parliament and the Palestinian Question: The contribution of Parliamentary Diplomacy to the solution of a "frozen" conflict* 

**Andrea Cofelice** (Center for Studies on Federalism, Turin, Italy), *The Parliamentary Assembly of the Mediterranean and the European Parliament during the "Arab Springs"* 

Susannah Go (Université Paris 8, France), Cultural diplomacy at the service of protodiplomacy? The case of the Generalitat and the Parlament de Catalunya.

CHAIR: Fulvio Attinà (Università di Catania, Italy)

14.30 - 16.00 Lunch

#### 16.00 - 18.00, Panel 4: The European Union and the Middle East

**Anas Audeh** (Corvinus University of Budapest, Hungary), *EU - Israeli Settlements Labeling: A Technicalization of Human Rights Abuses* 

Maria Gianniou (Athens University of Economics & Business, Greece), EU performance at the UN General Assembly: the case of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict

**Asteris Huliaras** (University of the Peloponnese, Greece) & **Konstantinos Magliveras** (University of the Aegean in Rhodes, Greece), Security challenges from the continuing civil war in Libya

<u>CHAIR</u>: **Gregory Hall**, (University of Kentucky, USA)

#### Saturday 27 May

#### 10.00 - 12.00, Panel 5: Migration

Fulvio Attinà (Università di Catania, Italy), The migration crisis and the 'new normal' in the Mediterranean region

**Panagiotis Tsakonas** (University of the Aegean in Rhodes & KEMEA Athens, Greece), From Actorness to Performance? Assessing EU Policies on Migration

CHAIR: Daniela Irrera (Università di Catania, Italy)

12.00-12.30 Coffee Break

12.30 – 14.30, Panel 6: Turkey

**Charalambos Tsardanidis** (Institute of International Economic Relations, Athens & University of the Aegean in Rhodes, Greece), *Middle powers in the Middle East:* Turkey and Iran. Towards cooperation or competition?

**Daniela Irrera** (Università di Catania, Italy), The EU and the Refugee Facility: an analysis of funding of NGOs as implementing actors in Turkey

<u>CHAIR</u>: **Panagiotis Tsakonas** (University of the Aegean in Rhodes & KEMEA Athens, Greece)

End of workshop