

**Archaeological Conference**  
**“Recent Archaeological Research in Greece”**  
**6–7 March 2026, Acropolis Museum**

Friday, 6 March 2026  
“Dimitrios Pantermalis” Auditorium

9.30 – 10.00 Registration – Welcome addresses

**SESSION 1. Macedonia – Epirus**

**Chairs:** Platon Petridis, Dimitrios Palaiothodoros

10.00-10.15	<b>The Petralona Cave in Chalkidiki and the beginning of Greek Prehistory.</b> <i>Dr. Andreas Darlas</i> , former Director of the Ephorate of Palaeoanthropology and Speleology, Ministry of Culture
10.15-10.30	<b>From the amphitheater to the field: initiation into the excavation process on Dourouti Hill within the University of Ioannina campus.</b> <i>Andreas Vlachopoulos</i> , Professor of Prehistoric Archaeology, University of Ioannina <i>Alexandra Alexandridou</i> , Associate Professor of Classical Archaeology, University of Ioannina <i>Kleopatra Kathariou</i> , Associate Professor of Classical Archaeology, University of Ioannina
10.30-10.45	<b>Integrating Theory and Practice: Excavations at Kastri Rizovouniou (Ancient Batiai) by the University of Ioannina.</b> <i>Kleopatra Kathariou</i> , Associate Professor of Classical Archaeology, University of Ioannina
10.45-11.00	<b>New Evidence on the Agora of Actian Nicopolis: Archaeological Observations and Prospects.</b> <i>Dr. Konstantinos L. Zachos</i> , Ephor Emeritus of Antiquities, Ministry of Culture
11.00- 11.15	<b>Nikopolis. The Basilica of Archbishop Alkison: The excavation of the Baptistery.</b> <i>Dr. Varvara Papadopoulou</i> , Ephor Emerita of Antiquities, Ministry of Culture
11.15-11.30	<b>The extant refectory (trapeza) of the Vatopedi Monastery and the architectural remains of the monastery’s earlier Byzantine trapeza.</b> <i>Giorgos Skiadaresis</i> , Acting Director of the Ephorate of Antiquities of Chalcidice and Mount Athos, Ministry of Culture <i>Thanasis Dogkas</i> , Archaeologist, Ephorate of Antiquities of Chalcidice and Mount Athos, Ministry of

	<p>Culture</p> <p><i>Giorgos Panelas</i>, Archaeologist, Ephorate of Antiquities of Chalcidice and Mount Athos, Ministry of Culture</p> <p><i>Ploutarchos Theocharidis</i>, Architect-Restorer, Ephorate of Antiquities of Chalcidice and Mount Athos (ret.), Ministry of Culture</p>
11.30-11.45	<p>Excavation of the middle Byzantine monastery (monydion) of Kaletzis (“Kolitsou” region of the Vatopedi Monastery)</p> <p><i>Ploutarchos Theocharidis</i>, Architect-Restorer, Ephorate of Antiquities of Chalcidice and Mount Athos (ret.), Ministry of Culture</p> <p><i>Giorgos Skiadaresis</i>, Acting Director of the Ephorate of Antiquities of Chalcidice and Mount Athos, Ministry of Culture</p> <p><i>George Panelas</i>, Archaeologist, Ephorate of Antiquities of Chalcidice and Mount Athos, Ministry of Culture</p>
11.45 - 12.15	<p>DISCUSSION</p> <p>COFFEE BREAK (Museum Café, Ground floor)</p>
<p>SESSION 2. Attica – Islands – Euboea / Part A</p> <p>Chair: Andreas Vlachopoulos, Anastasia Gadolou</p>	
12.15-12.30	<p>Just before two centuries of palaeontological research at Pikermi, Attica. Emphasis on research of the last 10 years. Potential and prospects.</p> <p><i>Dr. George Theodorou</i>, Professor Emeritus of Palaeontology–Stratigraphy, NKUA</p> <p><i>Dr. Dionysia Liakopoulou</i>, PhD in Geology and Geoenvironment, NKUA</p>
12.30-12.45	<p>Protection and Documentation Program of Kouvaras Cave, East Attica.</p> <p><i>Dr. Fanis Mavridis</i>, Archaeologist, Ephorate of Palaeoanthropology–Speleology, Ministry of Culture</p>
12.45-13.00	<p>Glyfada, Asteria: Prehistoric workshop installations, an Early Helladic cemetery and a Late Roman cemetery.</p> <p><i>Konstantina Kaza-Papageorgiou</i>, Director of the excavations at Asteria Glyfada (Archaeological Society at Athens)</p> <p><i>Ioannis Bassiakos</i>, Research Director, Archaeometry Laboratory, NCSR “Demokritos”</p> <p><i>Vasiliki Antonopoulou</i>, Archaeologist, Ministry of Culture</p> <p><i>Ioanna Gkoutzioumi</i>, Archaeologist, Ministry of Culture</p> <p><i>Galini Daskalaki</i>, Archaeologist, Ministry of Culture</p> <p><i>Dr. Vasco Hachtmann</i>, Archaeologist – researcher</p>
13.00-13.15	<p>Kotroni, Kapandriti / Ancient Afidna: 20 years of archaeological research.</p> <p><i>Dr. Anna Papadimitriou-Grammenou</i>, Archaeologist – Lecturer in Prehistoric Archaeology (ret.), NKUA</p> <p><i>Platon Petridis</i>, Professor of Byzantine Archaeology, NKUA</p>

	<p><i>Persephone Georgiou-Geka</i>, Lecturer (ret.), NKUA  <i>Elena Karakitsou</i>, Archaeologist, Acropolis restoration service, Ministry of Culture  <i>Kyriaki Kalliga</i>, Archaeologist, Ephorate of Antiquities of Boeotia, Ministry of Culture</p>
13.15-13.30	<p>Supplementary excavations at the Geometric – Archaic settlement at Skala Oropos (Attica) and enhancement study of the site.  <i>Alexandros Mazarakis Ainian</i>, Professor of Classical Archaeology, University of Thessaly</p>
13.30-13.45	<p>... ναυσικλειτῆς Εὐβοίης ... (Homeric Hymn to Apollo, 220–21).  <i>Irene Lemos</i>, Professor of Classical Archaeology, University of Oxford</p>
13.45-14.00	DISCUSSION
14.00-15.00	LUNCH BREAK (Museum Café, Ground Floor)
<p>SESSION 3. Attica – Islands – Euboea / Part B  Chair: Alexandra Alexandridou, Anna Vasiliki Karapanagiotou</p>	
15.15- 15.30	<p>Excavation at the site of the new Paiania Town Hall; diachronic use of the area from the 3rd millennium BC to the Roman period.  <i>Panagiota Zouvelou</i>, Archaeologist, Ephorate of Antiquities of East Attica, Ministry of Culture</p>
15.30- 15.45	<p>«To excavate is to open a book written in the language that the centuries have spoken into the earth.”  The book of Phaleron.  <i>Dr. Stella Chrysoulaki</i>, General Director, Heraklion Archaeological Museum  <i>Dr. Ioannis Pappas</i>, Archaeologist, Acropolis Museum.</p>
15.45- 16.00	<p>“Οδοῦ παρούσης την ατραπὸν μὴ ζήτει”.  <i>Mary Giamalidi</i>, Archaeologist, Ephorate of Antiquities of Piraeus and Islands, Ministry of Culture</p>
16.00- 16.15	<p>Systematic excavation at Aghios Nikolaos Pallon, Voula (Attica).  <i>Eftychia Lygkouri–Tolia</i>, Archaeologist, Former Director of the Ephorate of Antiquities of Piraeus and Islands  <i>Dr. Anna–Maria Anagnostopoulou</i>, Archaeologist, Ephorate of Antiquities of Piraeus and Islands, Ministry of Culture  <i>Mary Giamalidi</i>, Archaeologist, Ephorate of Antiquities of Piraeus and Islands, Ministry of Culture</p>
16.15-16.30	<p>The Sanctuary of the Egyptian Gods at Brexiza, Marathon (Attica).  <i>Dr. Ifigeneia Dekoulakou</i>, Ephor Emerita of Antiquities, Ministry of Culture</p>
16.30- 16.45	<p>The archaeological component of the interdisciplinary research program “Leukios” in the Laurion region (Attica).  <i>Andreas Kapetanios</i>, Assistant Professor of Archaeology, Ionian University  <i>Dr. Eleni Andrikou</i>, Director of the Ephorate of Antiquities of East Attica, Ministry of Culture</p>

16.45-17.15	BREAK (Museum Café, Ground floor)
<p><b>SESSION 4. Attica – Islands – Euboea / Part C</b>  <b>Chair:</b> Alexandros Mazarakis Ainian, Stella Chrysoulaki</p>	
17.15-17.30	<p><b>Archaeological Research on the Island of Agios Georgios (San Tzortzis). Study of the archaeological assemblages from the 2014–2016 rescue excavation.</b>  <i>Andreas Kapetanios</i>, Assistant Professor of Archaeology, Department of History &amp; Digital Humanities, Ionian University  <i>Dr. Maria Mexi</i>, Archaeologist, Ephorate of Antiquities of East Attica, Ministry of Culture  <i>Dr. Anastasia Lazaridou</i>, Ephor Emerita of Antiquities, Ministry of Culture  <i>Grigoris Dimos</i>, Archaeologist  <i>Dr. Anthi Tiliakou</i>, Postdoctoral Researcher, Max Planck Institute, Department of Archaeogenetics, University of Tübingen / Cultural Heritage Laboratory, University of Nottingham</p>
17.30-17.45	<p><b>Hellenic Institute of Marine Archaeology (HIMA). Maritime Research in the Argosaronic Region (2018-2025).</b>  <i>Christos S. Agouridis</i>, Archaeologist (M.A.), Vice President of H.I.M.A.  <i>Myrto Michali</i>, Underwater Archaeologist (M.A.), General Secretary of H.I.M.A.  <i>Dr. Christina Marambea</i>, Lecturer, Hellenic Open University, Member of H.I.M.A.  <i>Yannos G. Lolos</i>, Professor Emeritus of Prehistoric Archaeology, University of Ioannina, Member of the Board of H.I.M.A.</p>
17.45-18.00	<p><b>The Byzantine settlement at the Kolona Cape of Aegina. 3D topographic and photogrammetric mapping of the excavation.</b>  <i>Dr. Charalampos Pennas</i>, Director Emeritus of Byzantine Antiquities, Ministry of Culture</p>
18.00-18.15	<p><b>Mapping Antiquities from Athens to Piraeus.</b>  <i>Dr. Anna Maria Theocharaki</i>, Archaeologist, Dipylon.</p>
18.15- 18.45	DISCUSSION (SESSIONS 3, 4)
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<p><b>SESSION 5. PELOPONNESE</b>  <b>Chair:</b> Demetrios Athanasoulis, Varvara Papadopoulou</p>	
9.30- 9.45	<p><b>The excavation of the Klenia cave in Peloponnese: Caves and rituals in Peloponnese and Crete. Similarities and differences.</b>  <i>Demetris Hantziangelou</i>, Archaeologist, Ministry of Culture</p>

9.45- 10.00	<p>The Mycenaean settlement at Mygdalia near Patras. A new perspective on the Mycenaean society in Achaea.</p> <p><i>Dr. Lena Papazoglou-Manioudaki</i>, Curator in Charge of the Prehistoric Collection Emerita, National Archaeological Museum.</p> <p><i>Dr. Kostas Paschalidis</i>, Curator of Antiquities, Collection of Prehistoric, Egyptian, Cypriot and Eastern Antiquities, National Archaeological Museum.</p>
10.00- 10.15	<p>Excavation at the sanctuary of Heliconian Poseidon of Ancient Helike, at Nikolaika, Municipality of Aigialeia (Achaea).</p> <p><i>Dr. Anastasia Gadolou</i>, General Director, Archaeological Museum of Thessaloniki.</p> <p><i>Dr. Erofilis-Iris Kolia</i>, Director of the Ephorate of Antiquities of Elis and Acting director of the Ephorate of Antiquities of Achaea, Ministry of Culture.</p>
10.15- 10.30	<p><b>Ancient Helike: The Interdisciplinary Research and Studies of an Achaean Capital City</b></p> <p><i>Dora Katsonopoulou</i>, Professor of Archaeology, Director of the Helike Project</p>
10.30- 10.45	<p><b>Ten Years of Research at the Sanctuary of Zeus on Mt. Lykaion: Shedding Light on Arcadia's Past.</b></p> <p><i>Dr. Anna Vasiliki Karapanagiotou</i>, Director of the Ephorate of Antiquities of Piraeus and Islands, Ministry of Culture</p>
10.45 - 11.15	<p>DISCUSSION</p> <p>BREAK (Museum Café, Ground Floor)</p>
<p><b>SESSION 6: Cyclades / Part A</b></p> <p>Chair: Georgia Kokkorou-Alevras, Alexandre Farnoux</p>	
11.15- 11.30	<p>Kokkino Vouno at Akrotiri, Thera.</p> <p><i>Andreas Vlachopoulos</i>, Professor of Prehistoric Archaeology, University of Ioannina.</p>
11.30- 11.45	<p><b>The Early Cycladic settlement at Dhaskalio, Keros: conservation and sustainability project.</b></p> <p><i>Margarita Drillia</i>, Archaeologist/Communications and Sustainability content expert</p> <p><i>Stefania Chlouveraki</i>, Associate Professor, University of Western Attica</p> <p><i>Stefanos Keramidas</i>, Curator, Qatar Olympic and Sports Museum</p> <p><i>Evi Margaritis</i>, Associate Professor, Science and Technology in Archaeology and Culture Research Center, The Cyprus Institute</p> <p><i>Dr. Demetrios Athanasoulis</i>, Director, Ephorate of Antiquities of the Cyclades, Ministry of Culture</p> <p><i>Michael J. Boyd</i>, Research Officer, British School at Athens; Senior Research Affiliate, Science and Technology in Archaeology and Culture Research Center, The Cyprus Institute</p>
11.45- 12.00	<p><b>Kastri and Chalandriani on Syros: Two important Early Cycladic settlements in light of recent research data.</b></p> <p><i>Dr. Mariza Marthari</i>, Ephor Emerita of Antiquities (21st Ephorate of Prehistoric and Classical</p>

	Antiquities of the Cyclades and Samos, Ministry of Culture).
12.00- 12.15	Excavations in the ancient city of Kythnos (Vryokastro). <i>Alexandros Mazarakis Ainian</i> , Professor of Classical Archaeology, University of Thessaly
12.15- 12.30	The cemetery of the Classical period at Xobourgo on Tenos. <i>Nota Kourou</i> , Professor Emerita of Archaeology, NKUA
12.30- 12.45	The Kastri-Arkesine Excavation Project (Amorgos). <i>Dr. Demetrios Athanasoulis</i> , Director, Ephorate of Antiquities of the Cyclades
12.45- 13.00	Archaeological research on Rheneia. <i>Dr. Zoi Papadopoulou</i> , Archaeologist, Head of the Department of Prehistoric and Classical Antiquities and Museums, Ephorate of Antiquities of the Cyclades, Ministry of Culture <i>Dr. Vangelis Samaras</i> , Archaeologist, Postdoctoral Researcher, Institute of Historical Research, National Hellenic Research Foundation
13.00- 13.30	BREAK (Museum Café, Ground Floor)
SESSION 7: Cyclades / Part B Chair: Nota Kourou, Irene Lemos	
13.30-13.45	Thirty years of research at Mandra site on Despotiko island and Tsimintiri. <i>Yannos Kourayos</i> , Archaeologist, Director of the systematic excavation on Despotiko and Tsimintiri (ret. Ephorate of Antiquities of the Cyclades, Ministry of Culture) <i>Dr. Iliia Ntaifa</i> , Archaeologist <i>Alexandra Alexandridou</i> , Associate Professor of Classical Archaeology, University of Ioannina <i>Goulielmos Orestides</i> , Architect- restorer
13.45-14.00	The Vitzi cemetery at Paroikia, Paros. New evidence. <i>Dr. Demetrios Grimanelis</i> , Archaeologist
14.00-14.15	Attic Pottery from the Vitzi cemetery at Paroikia, Paros <i>Demetrios Palaiothodoros</i> , Associate Professor of Classical Archaeology, University of Thessaly
14.15-14.30	A Short Life Lived. The South Cemetery of Paros and Child Mortality. <i>Apostolos S. Papadimitriou</i> , Archaeologist, Ephorate of Antiquities of the Cyclades, Ministry of Culture
14.30-14.45	The area of the ancient sculpture workshop at the site “Floga” in Paroikia, Paros: Recent excavation campaigns. <i>Dr. Sofia Detoratos</i> †, Archaeologist, Ephorate of Antiquities of the Cyclades, Ministry of Culture <i>Apostolos S. Papadimitriou</i> , Archaeologist, Ephorate of Antiquities of the Cyclades, Ministry of Culture <i>Dr. Thanasis Garonis</i> , Archaeologist

	<i>Spyridon Petropoulos</i> , Archaeologist
14.45-15.00	The Basilica at 'Treis Ekklisies' ('Three Churches') in Paroikia, Paros Island. <i>Dr. Demetrios Athanasoulis</i> , Director, Ephorate of Antiquities of the Cyclades. <i>Dr. Charikleia Diamanti</i> , Archaeologist, Ephorate of Antiquities of the Cyclades, Ministry of Culture
15.00- 16.15	DISCUSSION (SESSIONS 6,7)  LUNCH BREAK (Museum Café, Ground Floor)
SESSION 8: Crete Chair: Nena Galanidou, Manolis I. Stefanakis	
16.15-16.30	Chryssi island. The southernmost Minoan settlement of Europe. <i>Chrysa Sofianou</i> , Archaeologist, Ephor Emerita of Antiquities (Ephorate of Antiquities of Lassithi, Ministry of Culture)
16.30-16.45	Recent excavations in Dreros (Crete). <i>Alexandre Farnoux</i> , Sorbonne Université / EFA <i>Dr. Vasiliki Zografaki</i> , Archaeologist, Deputy head of the Ephorate of Antiquities of Lassithi, Ministry of Culture
16.45-17.00	The doric temple of Demeter on the sacred rock of Phalasarna. <i>Dr. Elpida Hadjidaki-Marder</i> , Archaeologist, Director of the Phalasarna Excavation
17.00-17.15	Excavation of an Early Byzantine Basilica on the acropolis of Ancient Lyktos (Systematic Excavation Sector C of the Archaeological Society at Athens): Preliminary Results. <i>Dr. Vasiliki Sythiakaki</i> , Director of the Ephorate of Antiquities of Herakleion, Ministry of Culture
17.15-17.30	As if they benefited from Greek "works". The Basilica of 'Agios Markos' at ancient Eleutherna. <i>Nikolaos Stampolidis</i> , General Director, Acropolis Museum, Professor Emeritus of Archaeology, University of Crete
17.30-17.45	DISCUSSION - Change of Chair
SESSION 9. Dodecanese – NE Aegean Chair: Nikolaos Stampolidis, Andreas Darlas	
17.45-18.00	Vathy, Astypalaia. Fifteen years of research (2010-2025) on an archaeological palimpsest of the Aegean. <i>Andreas Vlachopoulos</i> , Professor of Prehistoric Archaeology, University of Ioannina.
18.00-18.15	Archaeological research at Drakospilia, Astypalaia. <i>Ioanna Efstathiou</i> , Archaeologist, Ephorate of Palaeoanthropology-Speleology, Ministry of Culture

18.15-18.30	Excavating the Hellenistic temple at the acropolis of the ancient deme of Kymissaleis, Rhodes. <i>Manolis I. Stefanakis</i> , Professor of Archaeology, Dept. of Mediterranean Studies, University of the Aegean.
18.30-18.45	Forty Years of University Excavation at Ancient Halasarna (modern Kardamaina), Kos. <i>Georgia Kokkorou-Alevras</i> , Professor Emerita of Classical Archaeology, NKUA.
18.45-19.00	Rodafnidia, Lesvos. The beginnings of habitation and sculptural art in the Aegean. <i>Nena Galanidou</i> , Professor of Prehistoric Archaeology, University of Crete.
19.00- 19.15	DISCUSSION
19.15 – 19.45	CLOSING REMARKS – END OF CONFERENCE