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MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL

George Pagoulatos



The year 2020 will go down in historical memory as the year of the global pandemic. ELIAMEP was not alone in discovering how formidably adaptable humans and institutions are in the face of unexpected adversity, and how a universal crisis can trigger reactions of solidarity - indeed, even open up new opportunities. For, despite the hardships, 2020 turned out to be a remarkably productive and successful year for ELIAMEP.

As the restrictions and lockdown measures became the new normal and a number of ELIAMEP's planned activities had to be postponed, we adjusted rapidly and moved all our activities online. This would not have been possible without the professionalism and dedication of our staff. We were among the first Greek organisations to launch our public discussions online, with a Directors panel with Bruegel and the European Policy Centre on the implications of COVID-19 for the Eurozone. Soon after that, we participated in a similar panel with another five major European think tanks (Carnegie Europe, CIDOB, ECFR Berlin, IAI, Political Capital Hungary). A number of both Greek and international online panel discussions followed (a total of 68 public events in 2020) on topics ranging from the new US Presidency and transatlantic relations to energy security in the Mediterranean, and from the challenge of political Islam to the implications of the #MeToo movement.

All our panels can now be accessed on ELIAMEP's Official [YouTube channel](#), which was launched and consolidated in 2020 and which we encourage you to subscribe to. This was also

the year in which our series of weekly podcasts was launched, with 29 podcasts produced for 2020, all of them managed by Odin Linardatou, our Head of Communications .

In 2020, ELIAMEP published a grand total of 84 policy papers, working papers and policy briefs, the highest annual output in our 33-year history.

ELIAMEP's publications are now included in the electronic libraries and compendiums of the main EU institutions (the European Commission, Council and European Parliament).

2020 was a very productive year in terms of research proposals and projects obtained: there were 20 projects running during the year, with 10 new projects won. In 2020, ELIAMEP was one of just two Greek institutions to obtain a European Research Council (ERC) grant for research in the humanities, for the HOMEACROSS project led by Dr Kalliopi Amygdalou. We take particular pride in the fact that excellent young researchers from Greece and abroad choose ELIAMEP as their host institution for high-quality research proposals under the ERC, Marie Curie or Horizon 2020 programmes.

Three new programme areas were launched in 2020: The programme on Turkey has already established itself as an international reference point for systematic analysis of Turkey, its domestic dynamics and external surrounding. The programme on Sustainability has put ELIAMEP at the heart of the important policy debate on the various implications of climate change. And the programme on the Mediterranean has set out to promote understanding and nurture cooperation in a region characterized by high interdependence and considerable untapped creative potential.

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR GENERAL

In December 2020, we published the ELIAMEP [Outlook for 2021](#), bringing together predictions made by our senior researchers and programme heads in relation to a number of areas and sectors of interest to ELIAMEP. The Outlook was featured in a special 8-page insert in the Greek newspaper *Ta Nea*, and was widely read in Brussels and other world capitals. Throughout 2020, several newspaper special features have presented the work of ELIAMEP. Indeed, hardly a day goes by without articles by or interviews with ELIAMEP researchers, fellows and advisers in the Greek press. ELIAMEP has also maintained its presence in the international media, where it remains a steady source of reliable analysis, especially when Greece finds itself the focus of international attention. This regular presence on the part of its experts, coupled with their participation on panels and at conferences

hosted by other institutions, makes ELIAMEP a highly visible reference point in both national and European public debates.

The experience of 2020 has made us optimistic about the combined promise of science, reason and good governance in combatting the pandemic. Looking ahead to 2021, we are eager to continue with another successful year in which we renew our commitment to contributing solid fact-based analysis and dispassionate arguments that enrich the national, European and global intellectual and public policy conversations.



ELIAMEP IN NUMBERS—2020



84 policy papers



68 events



29 podcasts



20 projects



87 673 users
+ 46 746



11 083 followers
+ 2 235




3 537 followers
+ 869





















608 subscribers
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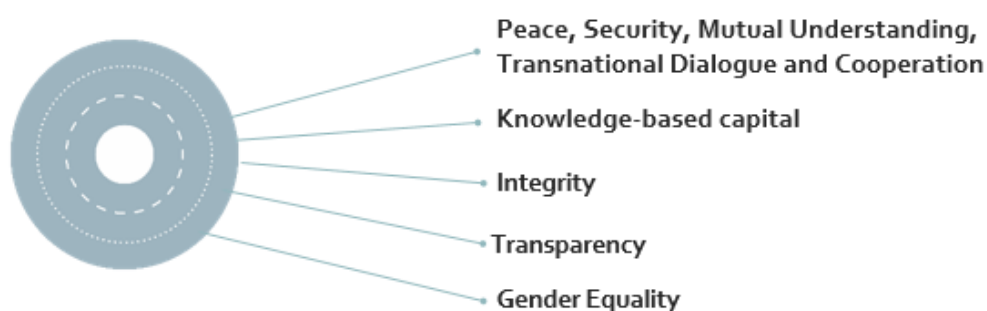
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 Η οικονομία στη δίνη της πανδημίας 52 προβολές · πριν από 2 ημέρες	 Online conference: "EU Eastern Partnership: Lookin... 261 προβολές · Μεταδόθηκε πριν από 3	 The US Elections' Day After: What Next for the Eastern... 32 προβολές · πριν από 3 ημέρες	 Τουρκία: Κρίση οικονομίας και διακυβέρνησης 132 προβολές · πριν από 1 εβδομάδα	 French-Turkish Relations: Strategic Tensions - ... 329 προβολές · Μεταδόθηκε πριν από 1	 Η κλιματική αλλαγή είναι φαινόμενο όχι προβλημα... 101 προβολές · πριν από 2 εβδομάδες
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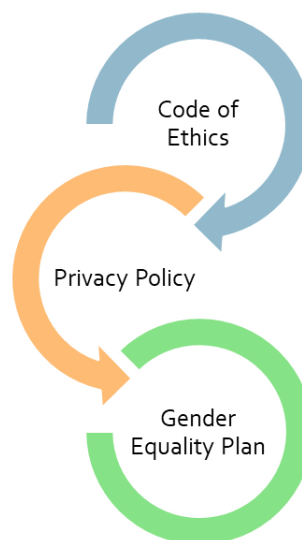
ELIAMEP AT A GLANCE

- ◆ Leading think tank in Greece at the regional, European and international level specializing in European & Foreign Policy.
- ◆ Established in Athens, Greece in 1988.
- ◆ Acting as a laboratory of research, publications, events, offline and online, bridging academia with policy and fostering debate.
- ◆ In 2017, ELIAMEP received the Athens Academy of Athens award for its long-standing contribution in the public sphere.

OUR MISSION



OUR INSTITUTIONAL POLICIES



2020 DISTINCTIONS & AWARDS

2020 Global Go To Think Tank Ranking
University of Pennsylvania



top 49 Best Think Tank Network Globally

#1 Think Tank in Greece

RESEARCH PROGRAMMES

Overall, our activities are organized around 9 umbrella programmes / thematic fields



Overview of our Projects

- ◆ 20 projects running in total
- ◆ 8 projects successfully completed
- ◆ 11 newly awarded projects expected to start in 2021

Our new Programmes in 2020

- ◆ Turkey Programme
- ◆ Mediterranean Programme
- ◆ Sustainability Programme

General Description

The institutional, political and economic dimensions of European integration have always been a key area of interest for ELIAMEP. The events and programmes of the previous year focused on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on the EU and its member-states with particular emphasis laid on the European response to yet another crisis. At the same time, the debate on the Future of Europe has been identified as a priority for ELIAMEP's European programme given the warming up of the debate. Relevant communication and dissemination activities have been monitored and the first proposals have been analysed, given ELIAMEP's intention to have an active role in the envisaged national and European deliberation.

Overview of Year

➡ We continued our work in connecting European policymakers across parties and nations, providing a unique space for dialogue and promoting innovative political conversations, within the framework of the Open European Dialogue project (formerly known as the Mercator European Dialogue).

➡ We carried out research as part of the DEMOS project, on the populist ideology and populist themes of Greek Political parties, complementing earlier research on populist parties in contemporary Europe. The research included: survey and analysis of political party programmes and government measures; field research on populist challenges against vulnerable groups; and research on populist government policies with focus on economic policies and labor market policies during Greece's long economic crisis.

➡ As part of the EU3D project, we collected and coded debates that took place in the Greek Parliament in 2015-2020 on the Eurozone crisis, the 2015 migration crisis, and on issues related to the breakout of the pandemic of COVID-19. We studied the effects that crises as external or internal differentiating shocks have on evolving patterns of EU governance and on further integration. Additionally, we collected proposals on the Future of Europe put forth by Greek political parties, the government and various institutes and think tanks.

➡ We carried out with the implementation of ELIAMEP's organisational Gender Equality Plan (GEP) and monitoring of its results in the frame of the TARGET project. One of the key accomplishments was the establishment of a data collection system that enables us to systematically record and maintain gender disaggregated data on our human resources and activities.

➡ In the COMPACT project, we focused on the preparation of academic publications and the organization and participation of the research team in dissemination and awareness raising events.



Success Stories

➡ Publication of a manual on how universities and research organisations can develop institutional Gender Equality Plans (GEPs) – the 1st comprehensive methodology and set of guidelines in this area in Greek, in the frame of the TARGET project. This manual provides a valuable tool to Greek research and higher education institutions that are currently in the process of developing GEPs. The manual was widely distributed to all Greek universities and to many research institutes across Greece.

Flagship Activities

➡ Publication of the Report on Conceptualizing the Varieties of Populism, within the framework of the DEMOS project, co-authored by ELIAMEP researchers and colleagues from Slovakia. Available [HERE](#)

➡ K. Featherstone and Dimitri A. Sotiropoulos, *The Oxford Handbook of Modern Greek Politics*, Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2020. The volume contains several chapters which, among many other themes, discuss populism in the political party system and political culture of post-1974 Greece.

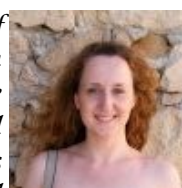


“In this difficult year, the pandemic was a watershed for gender relations, it compelled us to reformulate our research on the EU, and to rapidly adjust our ways of working with each other.”

Dia Anagnostou, Senior Research Fellow, Coordinator of the EU3D and TARGET Projects

“Social media has been mostly praised for its role in enhancing freedom of expression and the freedom to exchange views and ideas by providing for a forum where users can debate issues of public interest. However, social media can also be exploited and abused, feed illegal content, enable the spread of harmful content and nurture tensions between free speech and the protection of other rights, such as privacy, data protection rights, personality and reputation rights, intellectual property rights, etc. In the framework of the COMPACT project, our aim has been to work towards a better understanding of the role of (national and European) courts in this evolving legal area.”

Evangelia Psychogiopoulou, Senior Research Fellow, Coordinator of the COMPACT Project



“In the context of DEMOS project ELIAMEP researchers used a wide variety of research techniques and data sources to unearth the impact of populism in everyday political life and policy-making and to go beyond the usual abstract approaches to how populism rises to power.”

Dimitris A. Sotiropoulos, Senior Research Fellow, Coordinator of the DEMOS project

Projects



[Towards a Citizens' Union- 2CU](#) (September 2017- August 2020)

Co-funded by the European Union , Erasmus+ Jean Monnet Actions 2017



[COMPACT: From research to policy through raising awareness of the state of the art on social media and convergence](#) (October 2017 - December 2020)

Funded by the European Commission, Horizon 2020 Framework Programme



[DEMOS – Democratic Efficacy and the Varieties of Populism in Europe](#) (December 2018 - November 2021)

Funded by the European Commission, Horizon 2020 Framework Programme



[EU3D- EU Differentiation, Dominance and Democracy](#) (February 2019 - January 2023)

Funded by the European Commission, Horizon 2020 Framework Programme



[MINORLEGMOB- Assessing the agency of national minorities through court cases: mapping legal mobilization patterns in CEE](#) (November 2019 - October 2021)

Funded by the European Commission, Marie Skłodowska Curie Actions Horizon 2020 Framework Programme



[Open European Dialogue](#) (January 2020- December 2022)

Funded by Stiftung Mercator; the King Baudouin Foundation; Robert Bosch Foundation



[TARGET- Taking a Reflexive approach to Gender Equality for institutional Transformation](#) (May 2017 - April 2021)

Funded by the European Commission, Horizon 2020 Framework Programme

Podcasts

Gender inequalities in the time of Covid-19 -
D. Anagnostou (2/07/2020)

Will Germany save European Unity? -
J. Bastian and G. Tzogopoulos(10/07/2020)

Podcasts: Το ELIAMEΠ αναλύει

Παρουσίαση του προγράμματος:
Target: Taking a reflexive approach to gender equality for institutional transformation

Συζήτηση με την Επίκουρη Καθηγήτρια **Ντία Αναγνώστου**,
Κόρια Ερευνήτρια, ELIAMEΠ

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Podcasts: ELIAMEΠ analyses

Will Germany save European Unity?

A discussion with Dr. **Jens Bastian**, Senior Policy Advisor and
Dr. **George Tzogopoulos**, Senior Research Fellow

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Painful compromises for a historic breakthrough -
G. Pagoulatos (21/07/2020)

Brexit : An agreement with no winners -
G. Pagoulatos (29/12/2020)

Podcasts: Το ELIAMEΠ αναλύει

Οδυνηροί συμβιβασμοί για ένα ιστορικό αποτέλεσμα

Συζήτηση με τον Καθηγητή **Γιώργο Παγουλάτο**,
Γενικό Διευθυντή, ELIAMEΠ

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PODCASTS

Online Discussions

Online public discussion on current
developments in the Eurozone (08/04/2020)

Will Europe endure this crisis? (12/05/2020)

«Που οδεύει η Ευρωζώνη»

Το Ελληνικό Ίδρυμα Ευρωπαϊκής και Εξωτερικής Πολιτικής (ELIAMEΠ) ανησυχεί έναν νέο κύκλο διαδικτυακών δημόσιων συζητήσεων σχετικά με τις προκλήσεις που προκύπτουν σε πανευρωπαϊκό επίπεδο από τη ραγδαία εξέλιξη του COVID-19.

Η πρώτη συζήτηση θα касάσει στις τρέχουσες εξελίξεις στην Ευρωζώνη και σε αυτή θα συμμετάσχουν οι:

Μαρία Δεμερτζή, Αναπληρώτρια Διευθύντρια, Βιμεργ, Βελγίους
Γιάννης Εμμανουηλίδης, Διευθυντής Έρευνας, European Policy Centre (EPC), Βρυξέλλες
Γιώργος Παγουλάτος, Γενικός Διευθυντής, ELIAMEΠ/ Καθηγητής, Οικονομικό Πανεπιστήμιο Αθηνών

Τη συζήτηση συντονίζει ο **Γιάννης Παλαιολόγος**, Δημοσιογράφος, Καθηγητής

Η συζήτηση θα πραγματοποιηθεί την **Τετάρτη 8 Απριλίου 2020** και ώρα **5 π.μ.** και θα μεταδοθεί ζωντανά στην ιστοσελίδα του **ELIAMEΠ** και της **Καθημερινής** και στους επίσημους λογαριασμούς του ELIAMEΠ στο YouTube και στο Facebook.

Καθημερινή
H KATHMERINH με την υποστήριξη ELIAMEΠ

Θα αντέξει η Ευρώπη και σε αυτή την κρίση;
Online διάλογος με τους παλιούς
με την **Μαργαρίτη Σχοινά**
Αντιπρόεδρο της Ευρωπαϊκής Επιτροπής για την Περιφέρεια του Ευρωπαϊκού Τρόπου Ζωής μας & τον Αρκτικό Κύκλο, Πρόεδρο του ELIAMEΠ

Συντονίζει η δημοσιογράφος ΕΜη Βαμβατσάκη

Τρίτη 12/5 στις 17:00

#COVID19 #EPC #Podcasts
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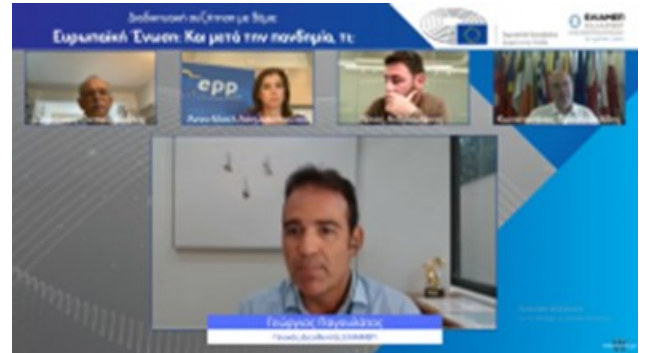
What future for the EU after the coronavirus?
Views from think tanks across Europe
(26/05/2020)

What comes after the pandemic? (09/09/2020)

Webinar
WHAT FUTURE FOR THE EU AFTER THE CORONAVIRUS?
Views from think tanks across Europe

May 26
5:30 pm EEST

Follow it live at: Youtube/CidobBarcelona



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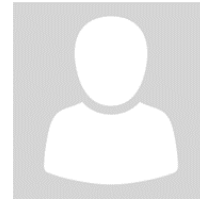
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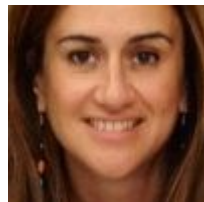
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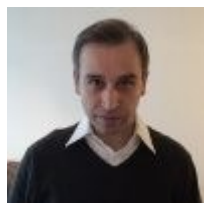
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D. A. Sotiropoulos



E. Ilias - Tembos



E. Tsatsanis



D. Tsigkou



L. Tsoukalis

General Description

In the contemporary international environment, global, international, regional and national security are closely intertwined and affected by various trends and drivers. In an effort to explore and better understand global and regional security dynamics, especially in Greece's southeastern and northern neighborhoods, regions of increased fluidity and instability, ELIAMEP has launched several projects on issues such as: the EU role in the Western Balkans and the Mediterranean, relations between the West and Russia, transatlantic relations, conflict resolution in the Mediterranean and the Middle East, energy, Black Sea-related developments, international terrorism, and the prevention of radicalisation. Key issues for Greek foreign and security policy, like relations with Turkey, the Cyprus issue, and relations with North Macedonia, retain high priority in ELIAMEP's policy-oriented research agenda.

Overview of Year

➔ Researchers and advisors of the Programme on Security and Foreign Policy have provided analyses to national and international newspapers and media and were interviewed by diverse national, European and global media networks, including Al Jazeera, Le Monde, New York Times, Al Monitor, Euronews, BBC News, CNN, etc.

➔ More than two-dozen policy papers, policy briefs, books and edited volumes have been published on line.

➔ Organisation of about 20 online public discussions, webinars and round-table discussions on issues related to, among others, current and future security threats in the Mediterranean; challenges of the post COVID-19 era; cyber security, energy security and climate change; the next day in the Eastern Mediterranean after the US elections; the EU, Turkey and Greece relations and the migration challenge; Greek-Israeli relations; political Islam and democracy; geopolitics and economy in the Eastern Mediterranean.



21 publications



210+ articles



16 Podcasts



17 events



“After this year the world experienced the worst global pandemic of the last 100 years, «poly-crises» appear as the new norm in the Mediterranean region. Greece is called upon to “punch above its weight” in 2021 by dealing effectively with Turkey’s assertive and destabilizing behaviour concurrently with issues relating to the migration challenge, Islamist radicalization and international terrorism, and/or the damaging consequences of climate change. ”

Panayotis Tsakonias, Head of Programme

Projects



[PAVE- Preventing and Addressing Violent Extremism through Community Resilience in the Balkans and MENA](#) (February 2020- January 2023)

Funded by the European Commission, Horizon 2020 Framework Programme (H2020)



[Learning Online about Security](#) (November- December 2020)

Funded by NATO's Public Diplomacy Division

** Produced a series of podcasts and organised an online public discussion with the aim to contribute to an acute and comprehensive understanding of the post- COVID 19 landscape and of related security dilemmas.*

“Learning Online about Security” Special Podcast Series (available in Greek)

1. [«The need to define a NATO-China policy» with Jens Bastian,](#) 3/12/2021
2. [The US and NATO after the American Presidential Election with Katerina Sokou,](#) 4/12/2021
3. [NATO as security regulator of the Eastern Mediterranean with Panayiotis Tsakonas,](#) 9/12/2021
4. [The challenges of a digital world with George Tzogopoulos,](#) 14/12/2021
5. [Fake news: A dangerous game with Alexandra Voudouri,](#) 17/12/2021
6. [NATO- Russia : A new cold war ? With Panagiota Manoli,](#) 18/12/2021
7. [NATO as a global player with Thrasyvoulos Terry Stamatopoulos,](#) 21/12/2021

Podcasts

The next day for Greek-Turkish relations -
I.A. Zepos (2/7/2020)

Podcasts: Το ΕΛΙΑΜΕΠ αναλύει

Η επόμενη μέρα στις
ελληνοτουρκικές σχέσεις

Συζήτηση με τον Πρέσβη ε.τ., Ιωάννη Αλέξιο Ζέπο

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The Greek-Turkish Maritime Disputes -
E. Papastavridis (8/7/2020)

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Ισορροπιώντας μεταξύ αποτροπής
και ανθρωπισμού

Συζήτηση με την Δρ Αγγελική Δημητριάδη
Επικεφαλής Προγράμματος Μετανάστευσης
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The crisis in the Middle East and the
Mediterranean- D. Kourkoulas (28/8/2020)

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Τι σημαίνει η κρίση
στη Μέση Ανατολή
και τη Μεσόγειο;

Συζήτηση με τον
Δημήτρη Κούρκουλα
Πρώην Υφυπουργό Εξωτερικών
και Ειδικό Σύμβουλο, ΕΛΙΑΜΕΠ

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30+ χρόνια / years

The Convention on the Law of the Sea, the right
to 12 nautical miles and the Treaty of Lausanne-
M. Gavouneli & I. A. Zepos (2/9/2020)

Το ΕΛΙΑΜΕΠ αναλύει

Η Σύμβαση για το Δίκαιο της Θάλασσας,
το δικαίωμα στα 12 μίλια
και η Συνθήκη της Λαζάνης

Συζητούν σε:

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Far-right: From theory to violence -
T. Karatrantos (19/10/2020)

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US Election: America will not find the same
world it left behind in 2016 - G. Pagoulatos
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Online Discussions

Webinar: “Energy Security and Climate Change: Europe’s evolving security dilemma and climate relevant responses” (17/06/2020)



Online public discussion: “Greece and Israel: Reflecting on 30 years of full diplomatic relations” (21/05/2020)



Webinar: “Cyber Security: Emerging challenges, the international context and governmental engagement” (18/06/2020)



Online public discussion: “Michael Dukakis on the 2020 US Presidential Election” (5/11/2020)



Online public discussion: “The US Elections Day After: What Next for the Eastern Mediterranean?” (11/11/2020)



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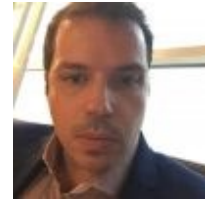
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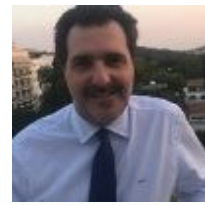
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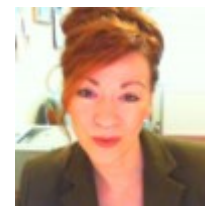
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Photo taken during the Roundtable discussion: "Pipelines and Hydrocarbons: Geostrategic and Economic Aspects" (12/02/2020)

General Description

Acknowledging early on the importance and significance of migration, the Migration research team has developed innovative research projects in response to new and old challenges of contemporary human mobility. ELIAMEP's team provides research, analysis, and evaluation of migration and refugee policies at national and European level. It also seeks to formulate pragmatic recommendations to the challenges and opportunities that migration brings for Greece and the European Union.

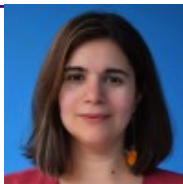
Overview of Year

In 2020, our work focused on the European asylum and integration policies. The pandemic impacted in an unprecedented manner the access to territory, asylum processing and integration of asylum seekers. We analysed the European Pact on Migration and Asylum, discussed the impact of the Greek policies on migrant reception and integration and sought to highlight the role of the pandemic as regards access to social and legal rights for migrants and asylum seekers. Research in the framework of the NOVAMIGRA project zoomed in on hospitality as a critical value in the “refugee crisis” reflected in the work of civil society. EWSI Greece was involved in the research study 'What measures are in place to ensure the long-term integration of migrants and refugees in Europe?', looking at policies and measures across various areas of life that aim to promote the long-term integration of beneficiaries of international protection (BIPs) and other third-country nationals (TCNs). We concluded our research on EU-Turkey relations on migration with the VIADUCT research award. ELIAMEP became a member of a new independent interdisciplinary research network on migration and diversity , Euro-Mediterranean Research Network on Migration (EuroMedMig), in an effort to re-orient part of the research towards the Mediterranean basin.



Flagship Activities

- ➡ Online public discussion: "Assessing the New Pact on Migration and Asylum", October 14, 2020
- ➡ Steering Committee Member on Euro-Mediterranean Research Network on Migration
- ➡ Presence with interviews in European media: Politico, NRC.nl, Catalunya Radio



"Migration is and will continue to be in the coming years one of the main challenges Greece and the EU will face. ELIAMEP's Migration Programme aims to continue providing evidence-based research and critical analysis and information for policy makers and the public."

Angeliki Dimitriadi, Head of Programme

Projects



[EWSI- European Web Site on Integration](#) (June 2018- March 2021)

Funded by the European Commission

* *EWSI a unique [online toolkit](#) of information on immigrant integration in Europe.
ELIAMEP is the Greece EWSI Coordinator*



[BRIDGE – Bridge for Researchers in Danger Going to Europe](#) (April 2018 - March 2020)

Funded by the European Commission, Horizon 2020 Framework Programme (H2020)



[NOVAMIGRA- Norms and Values in the European Migration and Refugee Crisis](#) (April 2018 - March 2021)

Funded by the European Commission, Horizon 2020 Framework Programme (H2020)



[VIADUCT -Enhancing Visibility of the Academic Dialogue on EU-Turkey Cooperation](#) (September 2017 - September 2020)

Co-funded by the Erasmus + Programme of the European Union

Podcasts

Refugees on their way to Europe-
A. Dimitriadi (30/07/2020)



Between deterrence and humanity - A. Dimitriadi
(1/10/2020)



Online Discussions

Online Public Discussion: “Assessing the New Pact on Migration and Asylum” (18/10/2020)

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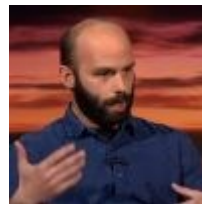
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General Description

The South-East Europe Programme of ELIAMEP was set up in 2011. Research and policy analysis on Balkan affairs has a long tradition in ELIAMEP going back to its early days in 1988. The Programme intends to follow that legacy of high-quality scholarly and policy work. The South-East Europe Programme publishes policy analyses and research findings through the standard publishing outlets of ELIAMEP. It also reaches wider audiences by publishing short articles and op-eds in prominent Greek and international media and its news are communicated to several thousand subscribers through the mailing lists of ELIAMEP and the South-East Europe Programme as well as through social media. Last but not least, the South-East Europe Programme is associated with the academic journal Southeast European and Black Sea Studies, published by ELIAMEP in partnership with Taylor & Francis.

Overview of Year

2020 has been a very challenging and at the same time very demanding year for the SEE Programme. The restrictions imposed due to the COVID-19 Pandemic and the implementation of two EU funded Horizon 2020 projects dominated the year. A great number of activities and events scheduled for 2020 had to be cancelled, postponed or rescheduled because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Despite the hardships that we confronted, the SEE Programme team managed to adapt and carry out all its work in the most efficient way. Online meetings and webinars have entered our lives and we embraced this new modus operandi. The methodology seminars in the context of MIGREC have



5 publications



17 articles



20 events

been delivered with great success to the post graduate students and academic staff of the University of Belgrade in the fall, not to mention the report on ‘Mapping of Migration Related Research and Policy Development in the Western Balkan’ which was also featured in the April 2021 issue of the EU Council Thin Tank Review. The ELIAMEP team was perfectly coordinated with the other international PAVE partners through online meetings and webinars. Finally at the end of the year, in December, the presentation of the report on the connectivity between Greece and North – Macedonia, although it was held on line, became a smashing success with more than 100 participants who engaged into a lively and active conversation. The manner in which our team tackled these new challenges proved that the SEE Programme is a well – structured, highly motivated and dynamic team.



“In a critical period for the future of Balkans, and while Greece is strengthening its relations with the region by settling long standing disputes, ELIAMEP’s South-East Europe Programme continues its path breaking work by combining rigorous and innovative research with policy-oriented thinking and analysis .”

Ioannis Armakolas, Head of Programme

Success Stories

- ➔ Successfully delivered a series of five Methodology seminars with guest experts to postgraduate students, scholars and academic staff of the University of Belgrade in the context of the MIGREC project.
- ➔ Organised a series of open online public discussions and webinars on the socio-economic impact of the EU enlargement in the Balkans, co-organised with the European Movement Albania.

Flagship Activities

- ➔ Published the report entitled “Broadening Multilevel Connectivity between Greece and North Macedonia in the Post – Prespa Environment” and organised an online presentation event.
- ➔ Mapping of Migration Related Research and Policy Development in the Western Balkan Countries Report on Progressive Regional Networks, as a deliverable in the context of the EU– funded H2020 project MIGREC. The report was also featured in the [April 2021 issue](#) of the EU Council Think Tank Review.
- ➔ Launched an interactive map visualising the pandemic’s toll in the Southeast Europe region, which generated information about the multiple effects of the crisis on health systems, democratic institutions and civil liberties, the economies, and the geopolitics of the region.

Projects



[Broadening multilevel connectivity between Greece and North Macedonia in the post – Prespa environment](#) (July- December 2020)

Funded by the Swedish Ministry of Foreign Affairs



[COVID-19 in the Balkans – Mapping the pandemic and Response Analysis](#) (April - May 2020)

Funded by ELIAMEP



[PAVE- Preventing and Addressing Violent Extremism through Community Resilience in the Balkans and MENA](#) (February 2020- January 2023)

Funded by the European Commission, Horizon 2020 Framework Programme (H2020)



[MIGREC- Research Centre for Migration, Integration and Governance](#) (October 2019 - September 2022)

Funded by the European Commission, Horizon 2020 Framework Programme (H2020)



[Deliberating socio-economic impact of EU Integration- Albanian case and regional experiences](#) (January 2019- August 2020)

Funded by the European Commission, (EuropeAid, IPA)

EU Integration Webinar Series

- “Understanding the lessons of past EU accessions: the cases of Bulgaria and Romania” (2/07/2020)
- “Municipal Youth Work” (07/07/2020)
- “European youth strategy and policy” (09/07/2020)
- “European fund-raising opportunities for civil society organisations” (10/07/2020)
- “EU policies in the field of Countering and Preventing Violent Extremism – The work of EU’s Radicalisation Awareness Network (RAN)” (14/07/2020)
- “Media reporting on EU accession negotiations” (16/07/2020)
- “Wither Away or Mainstream Gender? European Union Gender Policy in Higher Education and Scientific Research” (17/07/2020)
- “The question of citizenship – Is there a common citizenship policy among the EU-27?” (21/07/2020)
- “EU policies on the question of Roma integration and the accession process of the Western Balkans” (23/07/2020)
- “Berlin Process report card – The present and future of the initiative and its role in the EU accession process of the Western Balkans” (24/07/2020)
- “Understanding Brussels: The EU media and communications landscape” (28/07/2020)
- “Albania's future in the EU: EU accession negotiations process” (30/07/2020)

Selected Events

Public discussion: “Enlargement in EU: Comparison of Albania’s experience of EU integration process with that of Greece, Bulgaria, Romania” (28/01/2020)

Webinar: “Broadening multilevel connectivity between Greece and North Macedonia in the post-Prespa environment” (17/12/2020)



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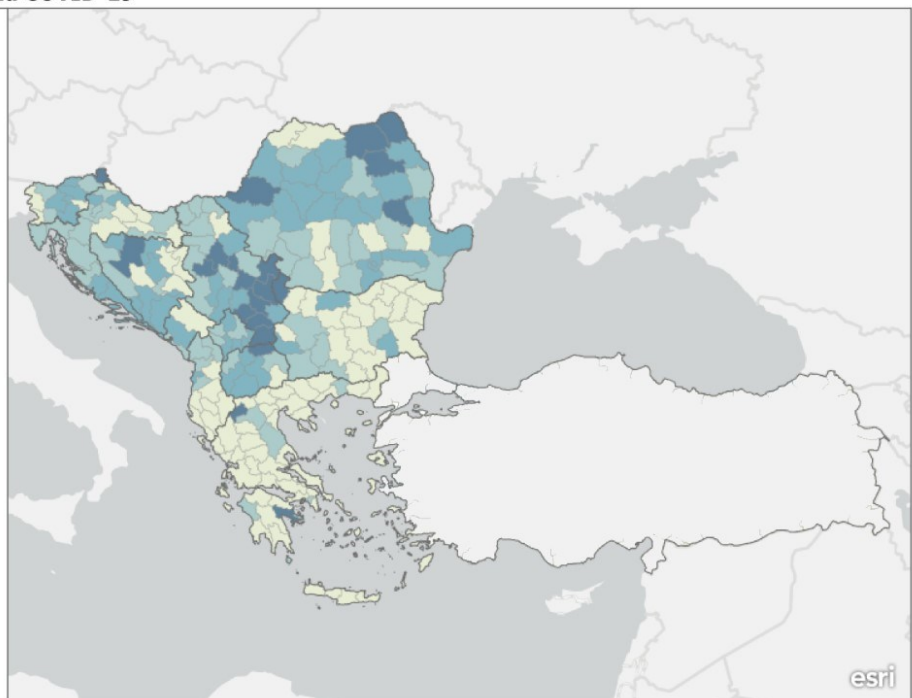
Th. Vavikis

South-East Europe and COVID-19

COVID-19 in South-East Europe on 30 May 2020

COVID-19 Cases divided by Population

- > 1600 cases per million population
- 700-1600 cases per million population
- 250-700 cases per million population
- <250 cases per million population



Esri, HERE, Garmin, FAO, NOAA, USGS

COVID-19 in the Balkans – Mapping the pandemic and Response Analysis - Extract from the Interactive Map visualising COVID-19 Cases/Population in South-East Europe in 30 April 2020

General Description

ELIAMEP's Turkey Programme was established in 2020 and aims to promote consistent, reliable and research-substantiated information and analysis of Turkey's domestic political and foreign policy developments, its relations with Greece, the European Union, the United States, Russia and the emerging powers. Its key objectives include the observation of actors and policies, domestic and foreign, in Turkey that influence its relationship with Greece, its other neighbors, the European Union and other regional and global actors and the dissemination of reliable information and informed, solution-oriented analysis on Turkish politics, as well as the promotion of expert and public dialogue on Turkey and the production of high-quality research and policy analysis publications. It aspires to establish ELIAMEP as a regional and European point of reference in policy debates about Turkey, spanning from Greek-Turkish bilateral issues to topics of regional security, European and transatlantic interest, by promoting closer relations, synergies, networking with leading think tanks and researchers in Turkey, Europe and North America, and aiming to nurture a generation of young researchers on Turkey.

Overview of Year

ELIAMEP's Turkey Programme commenced its activities in 2020 with the establishment of its research team and Advisory Board and developed a consistent and rich production of online discussions, policy papers and academic articles, as well as a steady and respected presence in prominent print and electronic media outlets, through interviews given and opinion articles written by members of the Programme Team on Turkey's domestic and foreign policy developments, regional developments and security questions. As part of the Project's overall aims, efforts were made to develop collaborations with leading think-tanks, resulting in joint webinars among other outcomes.



11 publications



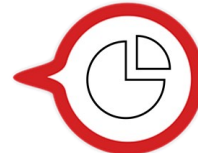
7 articles in academic journals



3 Podcasts



7 events



4 infographics

Success Stories

Through a joint public discussion on a critical issue, a first step was taken by the Programme towards establishing a solid research and policy-developing relationship with the Columbia Global Center Istanbul.



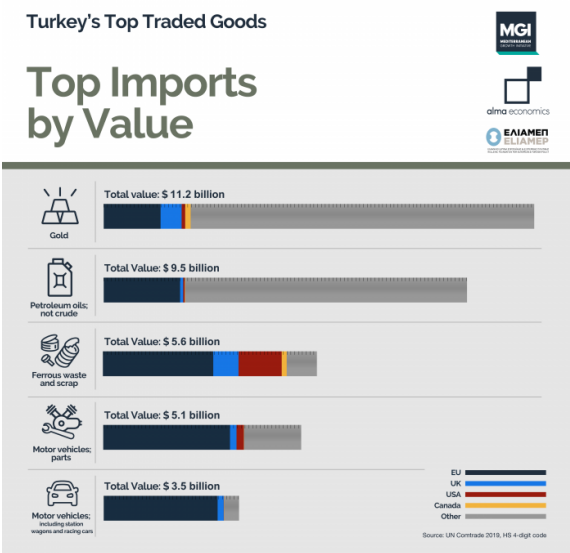
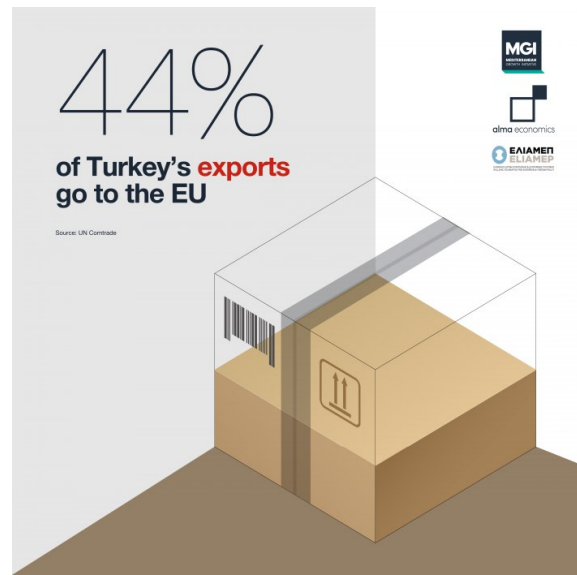
“Despite the adverse political circumstances, the Turkey Programme has succeeded in becoming a venue for informed and sophisticated debate on Turkey's relations with Greece, the European Union, the United States and the world.”

Ioannis N. Grigoriadis, Head of Programme

Flagship Activities

- ➔ Policy paper: Turkey’s Labyrinthine Relationship with the West: Seeking a Way Forward, Marc Pierini, 11 September 2020.
- ➔ Online public discussion with Columbia Global Center Istanbul: “Re-Thinking the Eastern Mediterranean: Diplomacy, Energy and Sustainability”, 3 December 2020.

Infographics



Podcasts

The map of Turkey's domestic politics -
I.N. Grigoriadis (24/09/2020)

Maritime Disputes and Current Developments in
the Eastern Mediterranean - E. Papastavridis
(29/09/2020)



Turkey: A financial and governance crisis -
I. N. Grigoriadis (18/11/2020)



Online Discussions

Online public discussion on current developments
in Turkey (21/04/2020)

Online public discussion: “French-Turkish
Relations: Strategic Tensions – Escalation on
Islam: What Next?” (18/11/2020)



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General Description

The Mediterranean is Europe's frontline to Africa and the Middle East, but it is poorly connected and its potential remains largely untapped. Further, the region is defined by contrasts. The EU Med enjoys good governance and rule of law, whereas several other Mediterranean countries do not. This hinders progress, peace and prosperity; it erodes security and undermines trade and investment; it fuels conflict, and promotes illegal migration. ELIAMEP's Mediterranean Programme is unique in that it seeks to understand these challenges by approaching the Mediterranean through the lens of connectivity. We believe that inter- and intraregional connectivity is key to tackling the region's challenges, realizing its potential, and shaping its future. Underpinning our belief that the Mediterranean's challenges are interlinked we employ a holistic research approach combining socioeconomic, geostrategic, and trade analysis to provide incisive and informed policy recommendations. ELIAMEP's Mediterranean Programme focuses on the following thematics: Mediterranean connectivity; climate change and the relevance of the Mediterranean to the success of the EU Green Deal; gender, security and peace; trade, global and regional value chains; Mediterranean regional security and its relevance to Brussels, Washington, and Beijing.

Overview of Year

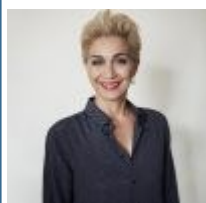
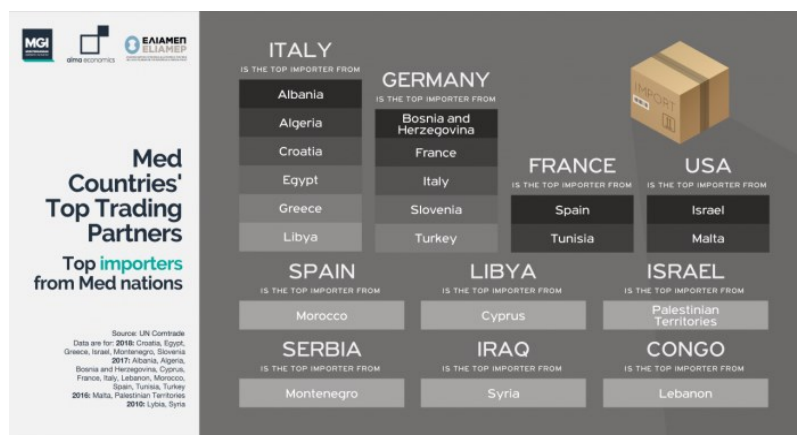
The Mediterranean Programme was launched in July 2020.



1 article

Infographics

8 infographics



"The Mediterranean programme is focusing on developing new analysis from a lens of connectivity for the region. We will continue to develop the evidence for dialogue and stakeholder engagement on bringing actors and decision makers from within and outside the region together in looking at the opportunities and challenges of climate change on the region's geopolitical socio-economic agenda, especially on the guidelines set by the Paris Agreement, the EU Green Deal and ECB's financial taxonomy."

Cleopatra Kitti, Head of Programme

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General Description

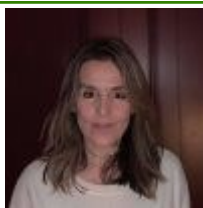
The great global challenges of recent years, from climate change and environmental pollution to pandemics and economic crises, have made it clear that the well-being of nations and people requires a new approach, beyond the age-old preoccupation with diplomacy and security. Sustainable development has become a central frame of reference for issues related to the environment, the economy and society. International initiatives such as the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the European Green Deal are contractual obligations of Greece but at the same time touch on real issues that need to be addressed. ELIAMEP expands its activities in this direction with research work, events and publications, identification of good practices from Greece & abroad and cooperation with all relevant stakeholders in the public and private sector, as well as the civil society. Central to this effort is the Hellenic Forum for Sustainable Development (ELFOVA), a joint initiative of ELIAMEP and the Brussels-based Foundation for Global Governance and Sustainability (FOGGS), in collaboration with the Institute of European Integration & Policy (IEIP) of the University of Athens.

Overview of Year

The Sustainability Programme was launched in April 2020.

Podcasts

Climate change is a phenomenon not a problem:
You do not stop it, you face it - E. Doussis
(12/11/2020)



“The European Green Deal is the most ambitious plan so far for the implementation of the Paris Climate Agreement. Its effective implementation internally will give credibility to influence and inspire others to draft similar regional action plans. Climate diplomacy can develop tools and incentives to persuade other countries to follow suit, with EU support for a just transition from carbon intensive patterns to green economic pathways. The Sustainability Programme seeks to raise awareness and formulate concrete proposals for action in these key areas, which will pay a pivotal role for both Greece and the EU.”

Emmanouella Doussis, Head of Programme

Online Discussions

Implementation of Sustainable Development Goals in Greece after the pandemic (7/7/2020)



The Wealth of Our Seas: Marine Spatial Planning, Offshore Wind Farms, EEZ and Sustainable Development (16/09/2020)



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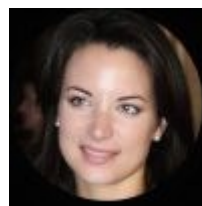
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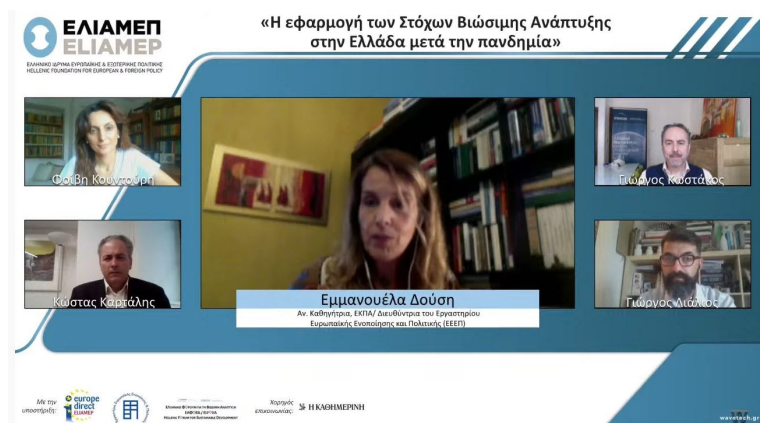


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Online discussion "Implementation of Sustainable Development Goals in Greece after the pandemic" (7/7/2020)





General Description

Following Greece's exit from the adjustment programmes and the consolidation of economic recovery in Greece and the EU, ELIAMEP focuses on the dynamics of the Greek and European economy and the identification and analysis of the most important challenges facing them in securing strong and sustainable economic growth. The Greek and European Economy Observatory serves this objective by promoting research, the constructive exchange of views and the formulation of policy proposals. The Greek and European Economy Observatory continues the work of the Crisis Observatory, an ELIAMEP initiative, created in 2013 with the support of the "Stavros Niarchos Foundation". The complete material of the Crisis Observatory (2013-2019) is maintained in its previous website <http://crisisobs.gr/en>, as an open access archive for informative and research purposes.

Overview of Year

During 2020, the work of the Greek and European Economy Observatory was unavoidably affected by the pandemic. The Observatory focused on the economic repercussions of the pandemic in Greece, Europe and the world. This change in focus affected both the publications of the Observatory but also its function as a provider of information and expert knowledge to the public. Regarding its publications, most of the work presented by the Observatory's research fellows and associates was related to the pandemic, with a special focus on the deliberations that took place in the EU about the appropriate economic policy response, which resulted in the historic decision to establish the Next Generation EU mechanism. In terms of informing the public about the economic implications of the pandemic, the Observatory launched a weekly newsletter, which contained all the important policy developments regarding the pandemic, as well as summaries of a selection of some the best economic analyses published internationally about the impact of the pandemic on the economy. After the publication of 17 weekly issues, from September, the newsletter was replaced by a new permanent weekly column, called "In Focus", which provides concise and focused analyses of topical economic developments with the use of a graph. Finally, in 2020, the Observatory continued its research programme, launching a new project, supported by the EEA Grants, on "Youth Employment and Gender Equality: Mobilizing human capital for sustainable growth in Greece". The project's theme is crucial for Greece, in its effort to relaunch its economy and exploit its full potential, following a decade of crises.


38 publications

3 Podcasts

1 event


"The pandemic produced unprecedented economic turbulence in 2020. The Greek and European Economy Observatory at ELIAMEP followed all the major economic developments as they happened, providing timely information and analysis for policy makers and the public."

Dimitris Katsikas, Head of Programme



Success Stories

- ➔ The Newsletter of economic developments received substantial attention and appraisal from both the public and policy makers and some of its highlights made media headlines.
- ➔ The report of the “A. G. Leventis Foundation Research Chair”, was presented at an online public event, with the participation of significant current and former policymakers, who expressed their interest in the report’s policy proposals.

Flagship Activities

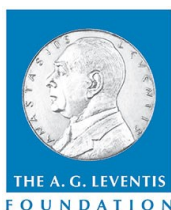
- ➔ Launch of a weekly Newsletter on Economic Developments during the pandemic.
- ➔ Launch of “In Focus”, a new weekly permanent column of economic analysis.
- ➔ Launch of new research project about the mobilization of human capital (with an emphasis on youth and the women) in Greece.
- ➔ Publication of the third annual research report of the “A. G. Leventis Foundation Research Chair”, on the extroversion of the Greek economy.

Projects



[Youth Employment and Gender Equality: Mobilizing human capital for sustainable growth in Greece](#) (October 2020 - September 2021)

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[Chair of the A. G. Leventis Foundation](#) (September 2017 - September 2020)

Funded by the A.G. Leventis Foundation



[DEMOS – Democratic Efficacy and the Varieties of Populism in Europe](#) (December 2018 - November 2021)

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Podcasts

Will Germany save European Unity -
J. Bastian and G. Tzogopoulos(10/07/2020)

The leap towards a fiscal union -
A. Mitsos(16/07/2020)



The global economy struck by COVID-19 -
D. Katsikas (27/11/2020)



Online Discussions

Increasing the Extroversion of the Greek Economy:
Determinants and Policy Proposals (8/12/2020)



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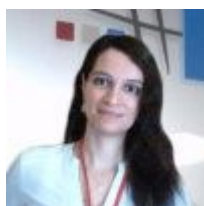
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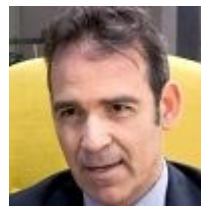
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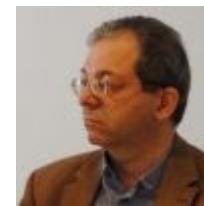
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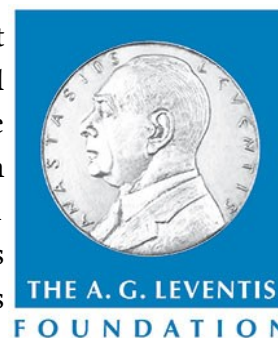


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RESEARCH CHAIRS

Chair of the A. G. Leventis Foundation

Since October 2017, the A.G. Leventis Foundation is funding a Research Chair at ELIAMEP. In its first three years of operation, the Chair has supported annual studies on issues of European Political Economy of Greek interest. The studies have been prepared by researchers/academics of recognised value, and have been presented at public events, where they were commented on by well-known academics, researchers and policy makers. In addition, part of the funding has supported a junior researcher position. The junior researchers that have filled this position have published working papers which bear the logo of the sponsor (A.G. Leventis Foundation) and have assisted the team of researchers working on the annual studies.



Starting from the academic year 2020-21, the A.G. Leventis Research Chair supports a postdoctoral research position in the field of Greek and/or European political economy.

The program lasts one year and is renewed every year.

Flagship Activities

During the Academic Year 2019 – 2020, the Chair funded a study entitled “[Openness, Exports and Wage Environment in the Greek Economy](#)”, assigned to Professors Margarita Katsimi, Sarantis Kalivitis and Thomas Moutos, at the Department of International and European Economic Studies, Athens University of Business and Economics.

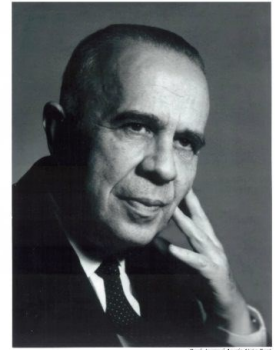
During the Academic Year 2020 – 2021, according to the Chair’s new mode of operation, a Postdoctoral Researcher was selected following a public call of interest. Dr. Apostolos Fasianos, the selected chair holder, explores the relationship between monetary policy and income inequality using a cross-country panel approach.

RESEARCH CHAIRS

Stavros Costopoulos Research Fellowship

This research fellowship was created in 2007, with support from the J.F.Costopoulos Foundation. Through its establishment, ELIAMEP sought to upgrade its research on traditional foreign policy issues, such as the European integration, Greek-Turkish relations, developments in the Middle East and the Balkans or transatlantic relations. At the same time, this fellowship furthered ELIAMEP's efforts to create a supportive environment for the development of Greece's research potential.

The fellowship was held by Dr. Ioannis Armakolas, until August 2020. Since September 2020, the fellowship is held by Assistant Prof. Dimitris Katsikas.



Flagship Activities

During the Academic Year 2019 – 2020 , Dr. Ioannis Armakolas continued his twin role at ELIAMEP as Head of the South-East Europe Programme and Editor-in-Chief of the scholarly journal ‘Southeast European and Black Sea Studies’. He continued the design, coordination and implementation of all research and public activities regarding the study of the Balkan region, and was responsible for the management and implementation of the five research projects.

In September 2020, Assistant Prof. Dimitris Katsikas took over as Stavros Costopoulos Research Fellow, in his capacity as ELIAMEP Senior Research Fellow and Head of the Greek and European Economy Observatory. He continued with the design, coordination, and implementation of all the research and public activities related to the study of the dynamic of, as well as the challenges facing, the Greek and European economy. During this period, he completed his research for the EU-funded, Horizon 2020 ‘DEMOS’ research project, and was responsible for the management and implementation of the research project ‘Youth Employment and Gender Equality: Mobilizing human capital for sustainable growth in Greece’, funded by the EEA Grants Bilateral Fund. He published 21 posts on the Greek and European Economy in the ELIAMEP ‘In focus’ series, as well as 7 articles in the press, 1 ELIAMEP podcast, and chapters in 4 publications.

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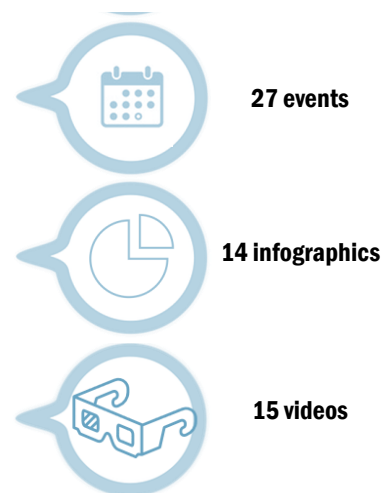
General Description of EDIC ELIAMEP

The Europe Direct Information Center (EDIC) hosted at the Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy (ELIAMEP) is the citizens' starting point for finding information about the EU; how it works, its finances and its actions. EDIC ELIAMEP is part of a network of similar centres across the European Union.

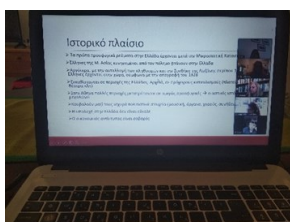
The main objective of Europe Direct ELIAMEP is to help citizens with their questions about their EU rights, funding and any other European matter that they are interested in; to provide them with EU documents and publications; to refer them to other information sources; and to provide them with contact details for relevant organizations. Furthermore, Europe Direct ELIAMEP informs the Greek citizens on current European issues through its website, social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram), articles, interviews and events.

Overview of Year

Although 2020 was a challenging year due to the COVID-19 pandemic and related restrictions, our engagement with the public not only continued but it further expanded. Also, the Centre diverted all its efforts to the digital milieu:



1) All of our events were organised digitally, by using online platforms, such as ZOOM and Webex.



Informational seminar of the High School students of the 2nd High School of Gerakas, concerning migration and refugee flows in Greece and the EU. Our main concern was to keep our lines of communication with schools in Attica and in Greece intact, while adhering to COVID-19 restrictions.

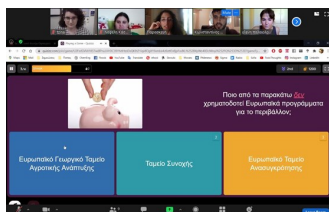


Organisation of a Citizens' Dialogue with the Vice-President of the European Commission, Mr. Margaritis Schoinas. Citizens from all over Greece had the opportunity to ask the Vice President questions about the European Union, thus expanding our traditional audience, in comparison to physical events .

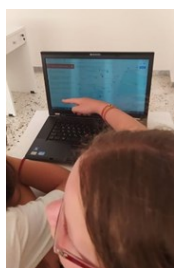
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2) Turning the crisis into an opportunity: Using online tools

Our Centre had the chance to experiment with different types of virtual events and ideas, in order to keep on engaging with the citizens of Attica, and at the same time, trying to find ways to inform and entertain them.



An example of this venture is the creation and organization of online treasure hunts. We used this online tool to either replace our traditional information seminars to schools, such as the example at the 4th Primary School of Naplio, or to enhance them, such as our participation in the 2020 Ecotivity Summer School. We were aware that citizens, particularly young people, had spent millions upon millions of hours in front of a computer, attending lessons/lectures at schools/universities and their attention span is limited by these compulsory activities. An online treasure hunt can work as both an educational and entertaining tool.



“Learning about the EU: A Complete Guide to staying home!”. Our Centre created an online, easily accessible guide with numerous activities and opportunities for all citizens to learn about the EU, while staying at home and having fun, like quizzes, virtual visits to European museums, taking part in EU initiatives, such as the “Learning Corner” etc. The Guide is still operational and will continue to be updated for as long as the pandemic lasts. The Guide can be found [here](#).

3) Entering the Digital Age: EDIC ELIAMEP’s Infographics and Videos

EDIC ELIAMEP expanded its YouTube channel that was created the previous year and added informational videos about key EU processes, such as the priorities of the Presidencies of the Council of the EU, fun videos about the available EU applications for smartphones and online live events, such as the Citizens’ Dialogue with VP Margaritis Schinas.

YouTube Playlist: [Europe at our fingertips!](#)
[Presentation of the applications of the EU](#)
[available to citizens](#)



YouTube Playlist: [The Presidencies of the Council of the EU](#)



Moreover, EDIC ELIAMEP used infographics that were created by its team, in an effort to simplify complex information about the policies and decision-making processes of the EU and to make sure that citizens were able to understand what was happening on the EU level, with an emphasis on EU initiatives against the negative aspects of the COVID-19 pandemic.

ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ SURE SUPPORT TO MITIGATE UNEMPLOYMENT RISKS IN AN EMERGENCY

ΤΙ ΕΙΝΑΙ ΤΟ SURE;

Είναι ένα προσωρινό μέσο που πρόκειται να βοηθήσει τους εργαζόμενους να διατηρήσουν τις δουλειές τους όσο διαρκεί η κρίση



Προστασία της απασχόλησης



Προσωρινή οικονομική στήριξη



Γρήγορη αποδέσμευση πόρων



Συμπληρώνει τις εθνικές προσπάθειες

ΠΩΣ ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΕΙ;



Θα χορηγήσει στα Κράτη Μέλη μέχρι και **100 δισ. €** σε δάνεια με ευνοϊκούς όρους



Αυτά τα δάνεια θα βοηθήσουν τα Κράτη Μέλη να αντιμετωπίσουν **ξαφνικές αυξήσεις των δημοσίων δαπανών** για τη συγκράτηση της ανεργίας



Οι αυξήσεις οφειλονται στην **εφαρμογή εθνικών συστημάτων** μειωμένου ωραρίου εργασίας και για τους αυτοαπασχολούμενους, ή μέτρων σχετικά με την υγεία, για την αντιμετώπιση της κρίσης



Αποφεύγοντας τις σπάταλες απολύσεις, τα προγράμματα εργασίας μικρής διάρκειας μπορούν να αποτρέψουν ένα σοκ που θα είχε σοβαρές και μακροχρόνιες αρνητικές συνέπειες στην οικονομία και στην αγορά εργασίας



Τα προγράμματα αυτά βοηθούν στη **διατήρηση των εισοδημάτων των οικογενειών** και στη διατήρηση της παραγωγικής ικανότητας και του ανθρώπινου κεφαλαίου των επιχειρήσεων

ΠΩΣ ΕΝΕΡΓΟΠΟΙΕΙΤΑΙ;



Οι επιχειρήσεις αναγκάζονται να **μειώσουν προσωρινά** τις ώρες εργασίας των υπαλλήλων τους. Ομοίως, οι αυτοαπασχολούμενοι χάνουν το εισόδημά τους



Τα ΚΜ ενεργοποιούν προγράμματα εργασίας μικρής διάρκειας για να διατηρήσουν την απασχόληση. Αυτό οδηγεί σε **απότομες αυξήσεις των δημοσίων δαπανών**



Τα ΚΜ υποβάλλουν αίτηση στην **Επιτροπή για οικονομική στήριξη** μέσω του SURE για τη χρηματοδότηση αυτών των δαπανών



Η Επιτροπή συμβουλεύεται το ΚΜ για να **καθορίσει τους όρους του δανείου**



Η Επιτροπή υποβάλλει **πρόταση στο Συμβούλιο** για την παροχή οικονομικής βοήθειας



Μόλις εγκριθεί, η οικονομική βοήθεια θα λάβει τη μορφή **δανείου με ευνοϊκούς όρους**

ΠΟΣΑ ΧΡΗΜΑΤΑ ΕΙΝΑΙ ΔΙΑΘΕΣΙΜΑ;



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Πηγή: https://ec.europa.eu/info/business-economy-euro/economic-and-fiscal-policy-coordination/eu-financial-assistance/loan-programmes/sure_en

Presentation of The European instrument for temporary support to mitigate Unemployment Risks in an Emergency (SURE)

8 ΔΡΑΣΕΙΣ ΤΗΣ ΕΕ ΚΑΤΑ ΤΗΣ ΠΑΝΔΗΜΙΑΣ COVID-19



Σε αυτές τις μέρες της κρίσης, η ΕΕ και τα κράτη μέλη της συνεργάζονται και αλληλοβοηθούνται, κινητοποιούν πόρους, εξασφαλίζουν την παροχή εξοπλισμού προστασίας και ενισχύουν την έρευνα.



1 ΕΠΙΒΡΑΔΥΝΣΗ ΤΗΣ ΕΞΑΠΛΩΣΗΣ ΤΟΥ ΙΟΥ

Η ΕΕ έκλεισε τα εξωτερικά της σύνορα για μη ουσιαστική ταξίδια, εξασφαλίζοντας παράλληλα τη μεταφορά βασικών αγαθών στην ΕΕ μέσω της θέσης «πράσινων λωρίδων».

2 ΠΑΡΟΧΗ ΙΑΤΡΙΚΟΥ ΕΞΟΠΛΙΣΜΟΥ

Οι χώρες της ΕΕ έχουν ταχεία πρόσβαση στο πρώτο απόθεμα ιατρικού εξοπλισμού (rescEU), όπως για παράδειγμα αναπνευστικά μηχανήματα και προστατευτικές μάσκες.



3 ΠΡΩΘΗΣΗ ΤΗΣ ΕΡΕΥΝΑΣ ΓΙΑ ΕΜΒΟΛΙΟ

Το πρόγραμμα της ΕΕ για την έρευνα, «Ορίζοντας 2020», χρηματοδοτεί 18 ερευνητικά έργα και 140 ομάδες σε όλη την Ευρώπη προκειμένου να συμβάλει στο να βρεθεί σύντομα το εμβόλιο κατά της νόσου COVID-19.



4 ΕΠΑΝΑΠΑΤΡΙΣΜΟΣ ΠΟΛΙΤΩΝ ΤΗΣ ΕΕ

Πάνω από 45.000 Ευρωπαίοι που ήταν εγκλωβισμένοι λόγω της πανδημίας, επέστρεψαν στα σπίτια τους χάρη στον μηχανισμό πολιτικής προστασίας της ΕΕ.



5 ΣΤΗΡΙΞΗ ΤΗΣ ΟΙΚΟΝΟΜΙΑΣ

Η Ευρωπαϊκή Κεντρική Τράπεζα παράγει 750 δισ. € για την ελάφρυνση του δημόσιου χρέους κατά τη διάρκεια της κρίσης, καθώς και 120 δισ. € σε ποσοτική χαλάρωση και 20 δισ. € σε εξαγορές του χρέους.

6 ΠΡΟΣΤΑΣΙΑ ΤΩΝ ΘΕΣΕΩΝ ΕΡΓΑΣΙΑΣ

Η ΕΕ θέτει 37 δισ. € από υφιστάμενα διαρθρωτικά ταμεία της ΕΕ στη διάθεση των χωρών της ΕΕ το 2020 για την αντιμετώπιση της κρίσης του κορωνοϊού και τη στήριξη της υγειονομικής περιθαλής, των επιχειρήσεων και των εργαζομένων.



7 ΕΝΙΣΧΥΣΗ ΤΗΣ ΕΥΡΩΠΑΪΚΗΣ ΑΛΛΗΛΕΓΓΥΗΣ

Η ΕΕ διευκολύνει την αποστολή ιατρικών ομάδων μέσω του ιατρικού σώματος της ΕΕ, έτσι ώστε ομάδες από διάφορα κράτη μέλη να μπορούν να στηρίξουν τα συστήματα υγειονομικής περιθαλής που έχουν πληγεί περισσότερο από την κρίση.



8 ΚΑΤΑΠΟΛΕΜΗΣΗ ΤΗΣ ΠΑΡΑΠΗΡΟΦΟΡΗΣ

Η ΕΕ συνεργάζεται επίσης με διαδικτυακές πλατφόρμες για την πρόωση αξιόπιστων πηγών, τη διάψευση των ψευδών ειδήσεων και την αφαίρεση του παράνομου περιεχομένου.



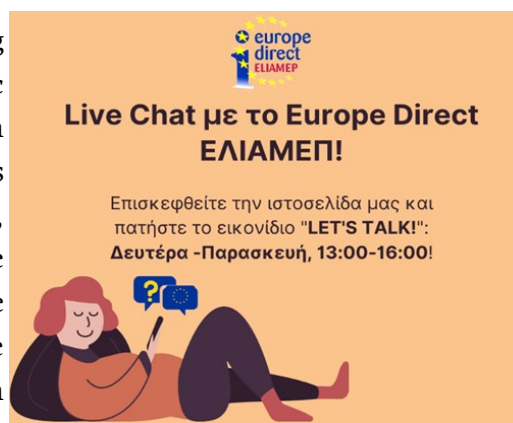
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8 Actions taken by the EU to Combat COVID-19

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Our Centre perceived that the amount of information coming from EU institutions concerning the fight against the pandemic was ever growing and it became very difficult to keep up with EU developments on the matter, especially when news articles involved complex initiatives, like the “Next Generation EU”, “EU4Health”, “RescEU” etc. Our Centre decided to create dedicated infographics in order to focus the attention of the citizens to the main initiatives and to key information that these entail. Our endeavour was a success, since not only posts with these infographics gathered more reactions on social media, but other Europe Direct Information Centres in Greece used them to inform their citizens.

Last but not least, one of our main concerns was to provide citizens with an alternative to our walk-in centre, taking into consideration the COVID-19 restrictions. Our solution was to enable citizens to contact us, though a live chat application that is easily available on our website.



Social Media Content: Declarations from EU Officials concerning Greece and the EU.

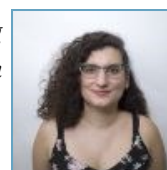


“Taking our EU information activities online when COVID-19 hit was a steep learning curve, but one which allowed us to reach out to larger and geographically diverse audiences. With a fresh 5-year mandate from the EU Commission, we are looking forward to organising both in-person and hybrid/online events, focusing mainly on seminars for high school students and citizens dialogues or panels, thus contributing to the Conference on the Future of Europe.”

Elizabeth Phocas, EDIC Manager

“EDIC ELIAMEP managed to turn the pandemic into an opportunity; exploring digital tools, in order to stay in touch with its audience, providing reliable information to the citizens of Attica and finding innovative means to stay relevant.”

Georgia Apostolaki, EDIC Coordinator



General Description of SEBSS

SEBSS is a multi-disciplinary journal publishing cross-country comparative analyses and new research on individual countries within the Southeast European and Black Sea regions. The journal also invites submissions with innovative new research establishing analytical connections and comparisons between the two regions. In addition, we publish articles focusing on Turkey and its policy towards individual countries and entire regions, on Russia and its relations with its neighbours, as well as papers investigating the wider political and security implications of major crises occurring in - or emanating from - Southeast Europe and the Black Sea region. The principal disciplines covered by the journal are political science and international relations, political economy, political anthropology and late modern and contemporary history. The journal is committed to publishing research that breaks away from traditional ethnocentric approaches and develops a deeper and more fruitful understanding of the area, providing a forum for both academic and original policy-oriented articles.

Publications in 2020

- 4 issues with more than 60 authors and 664 pages total
- 1 special issue 'Illiberal politics in Southeast Europe'
- 30 original articles
- 20 book reviews
- 1 book review essay

SEBSS publishes original research articles, book reviews, and occasional review essays as well as special issues and special sections.

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EVENTS

As part of its outreach strategy, ELIAMEP undertakes various kinds of information and awareness-raising activities, which include the organisation of all types and sizes of events, such as high-level conferences, trainings (both face-to-face and online), international seminars, round-table discussions and open dialogues. In March 2020, the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic led to a rapid adjustment to the new reality. As a response to the current crisis ELIAMEP launched its series of online public discussions and webinars.

In 2020 ELIAMEP successfully organised **68 events**, a selection of which is presented in the table below. Specifically, within the first quarter of the year, ELIAMEP organised **6 in-person conferences** and **5 in-person seminars and roundtable discussions**.

Following the outbreak of the pandemic, ELIAMEP held **29 webinars** and **28 online public discussions**, which were broadcast live on the Foundation’s website and its official accounts on social media (Facebook and YouTube). Online public discussions’ videos are available on ELIAMEP’s channel on YouTube.



[“Ambassadors’ Circle”:
Meeting with H.E. the
Ambassador of Turkey in
Greece](#)
Athens, 22/01/2020



[Conference: “Austria,
Finland and Sweden: 25
years of membership and
our joint European Fu-
ture”](#)

Athens, 17/02/2020



[Public discussion: “Do
we want to take bilateral
disputes to the
international court?”](#)
Athens, 18/02/2020



[Online public discussion
on current developments
in the Eurozone](#)
08/04/2020



[Citizens’ Dialogue online
with Vice-President
Margaritis Schinas](#)
12/05/2020



[Online public discussion
on “COVID-19 the next
day: what we won and
what we risk losing?”](#)
28/05/2020



[Online public discussion:
“COVID-19: Conspiracy
theories, protest
movements and reactions
to management measures:
can we talk about
kinematic structures?”](#)
21/10/2020



[Online conference: “EU
Eastern Partnership:
Looking Beyond the 2021
Summit”](#)
26/11/2020



[Online public discussion:
“Political Islam and
Democracy: tensions and
the integration
challenge”](#)
01/12/2020



[Online Conference: “The
future of Energy Security
for the Eastern
Mediterranean”](#)
10/12/2020

PUBLICATIONS

In 2020 we have produced 100+ publications, such as policy briefs and policy papers. In this section we present a [selection of our flagship publications](#) for the year 2020.



[Refugees at the gate of Europe](#) (22/04/2020)

The recent crisis in Evros brought back to the fore the issue of immigration and Turkey's role in its instrumentalisation. The EU-Turkey Statement has not had the expected outcomes. Rather it showed that prevention policies and the outsourcing of migration management strengthens transit countries such as Turkey, without resulting in a steady reduction in flows. Greece remains a country that bears a disproportionate burden of responsibility due to its geographical location. At the same time, it has delayed in the planning of a holistic immigration policy, which should aim, among other things, to ensure human living conditions, substantial access to asylum and result in the integration of those who will remain in the country. COVID-19 will bring about significant socioeconomic changes globally as well as impact human rights. Practices of the past do not necessarily fit for the new reality and this is the biggest challenge for Greece and the EU; a willingness to

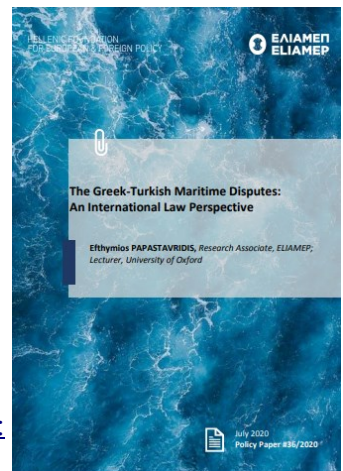
move forward by investing on migration within Europe and beyond. It will not be easy, and it will come at a high financial (and likely political) cost. The pandemic makes any long-term commitments seem impossible, however the alternative scenario, of deterrence and outsourcing is already proving insufficient. Balancing the scales is a challenge which the EU cannot afford to lose.

Author: A. Dimitriadi

[The Greek-Turkish Maritime Disputes: An International Law Perspective](#) (09/07/2020)

This Policy Paper examines the maritime disputes between Greece and Turkey, in particular those concerning maritime delimitation and the breadth of the territorial sea of Greece, against the background of international law.

Author: E. Papastavridis



[Turkey's Labyrinthine Relationship with the West: Seeking a Way Forward](#) (11/09/2020)

In the past few years and especially the past few weeks, Turkey's relationship with the West, in particular with Europe, has become increasingly protracted. Turkey's misguided economic policies and drastic political choices toward autocracy have induced a substantial disconnect of its economy from its Western anchor. Meanwhile, Turkey's upcoming military build-up will substantially enhance its force projection capacity in its near-abroad. Lately, the relationship between Turkey and the European Union has taken a turn to the worse, due in particular to military threats related to the issue of maritime boundaries. More than the substance of this litigation, the narrative used by the Turkish leadership seems bound to prevent its quick resolution.

Author: M. Pierini

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[“Contingement”: An EU Strategy towards Erdogan’s Turkey](#) (22/09/2020)

This policy paper discusses Turkey’s destabilizing role in the Eastern Mediterranean; and a European “contingement” strategy.

Author: P. Tsakonas

[Why European strategic autonomy matters](#) (14/12/2020)

ELIAMEP publishes an important piece by Josep Borrell, the High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice-President of the European Commission.

The article appeared at the High Representative and European Commission Vice President’s blog, and it is available in English [here](#).

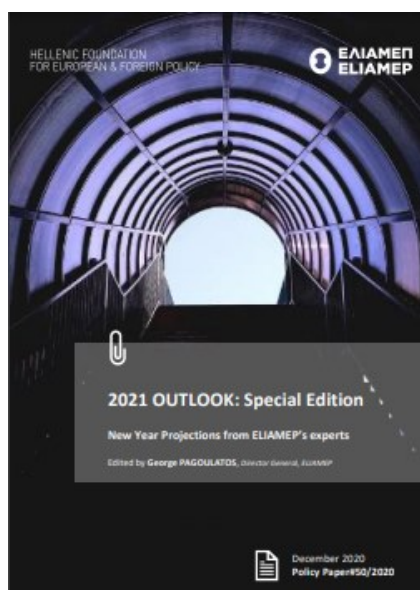
Author: J. Borrell



[2021 OUTLOOK: Special Edition](#) (31/12/2020)

In this special edition “2021 Outlook”, the senior team of ELIAMEP experts outline their primary forecasts for 2021. After a brief look back at 2020, they seek to identify the main challenges of 2021, with all the risks, opportunities, inflection points, and things to watch for in the year ahead.

Authors: I. Armakolas, A. Dimitriadi, E. Doussis, I.N. Grigoriadis, D. Katsikas, G. Pagoulatos, P. Tsakonas, L. Tsoukalis



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- Collective paper by multiple authors, [2021 OUTLOOK: Special Edition](#), December 31, 2020
- Working paper 113 by Dimitra Tsigkou, [The Role of France and Germany in the Euro Area Reform](#), December 22, 2020
- Policy paper 49 by Ekrem Eddy Güzeldere, [Germany-Turkey Relations: It could be worse](#), December 21, 2020
- Policy paper 48 by Panagiotis Paschalidis, Islam Jusufi, Yorgos Christidis, Mary Drosopoulos, Cvete Koneska, Ioannis Armakolas and Veli Kreci, [Broadening multilevel connectivity between Greece and North Macedonia in the post-Prespa environment](#), December 16, 2020
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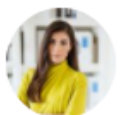
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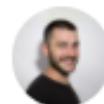


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