

## *CURRICULUM VITAE*

### PERSONAL INFORMATION



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### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Byzantine archaeology: monumental topography and topography of human activity, landscape archaeology, sacred space, urbanism, religious and secular architecture, architectural sculpture, new technologies in archaeological research

### EDUCATION

**2002:** Ph.D. (Doctorat) in Byzantine Archaeology, Université Paris I - Panthéon-Sorbonne, UFR d'Histoire de l'art et d'Archéologie

**1993:** D.E.A. in Byzantine Archaeology, Université Paris I - Panthéon-Sorbonne, UFR d'Histoire de l'art et d'Archéologie

**1991:** degree (BA equiv.) on History and Archaeology, University of Crete, School of Philosophy  
Department of History and Archaeology

### ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

**2017 - present:** Assistant Professor, Department of History and Archaeology, University of Crete

**2012 - present:** Collaborating Faculty Member, Institute of Mediterranean Studies, Foundation for Research and Technology-Hellas (IMS/FORTH)

**2009 - 2016:** Full-time Lecturer, Department of History and Archaeology, University of Crete

**2004 - present:** Adjunct Professor at the Hellenic Open University

**2003 - 2008:** Visiting Lecturer, Department of History and Archaeology, University of Crete

**2003:** Archaeologist employed by the Greek Ministry of Culture

### TEACHING

**Undergraduate courses:**

Introduction in Early Byzantine Archaeology, Secular and ecclesiastical architecture (4th-8th c.), Middle and Late Byzantine architecture, Constantinople and its monuments (330-1453), Thessaloniki and its

monuments (4th-15th c.), Archaeology of Asia Minor: the Early Byzantine period, Cities and villages of the Byzantine Empire, Monumental painting of the Early Byzantine period

#### **Undergraduate Seminars:**

Architectural sculpture of Early Byzantine period, Early Byzantine Basilicas of Greece, The Middle Byzantine Church: architecture, liturgy and decoration, Byzantine Fortifications, Constantinople: the birth of a capital, Thessaloniki: from Roman to Byzantine city, Athens: from Eudocia to Acciajuoli, Early Byzantine Crete, Aspects of the material culture (4th-8th c.), Rome, Ravenna, Constantinople: the artistic production (4th-8th c.)

#### **Postgraduate seminars:**

Early Byzantine Archaeology: theory and practice, The urban planning of the Early Byzantine cities, Cities of the Eastern Mediterranean: the 7th century crisis, Byzantine Syria, Reconstructing the dynamics of the early Byzantine cities: transformation or demise?, Historical and archaeological data from Crete (4th-early 9th c.), From “paganism” to Christianity: aspects of the transformation of the ancient world, The Archaeology of Byzantine Asia Minor

#### **Supervision:**

2 Ph.D theses, 2 MA theses, 1 postdoc. Member of the examination board for 12 Ph.D theses (11 in Greece, 1 in Netherlands) and 12 MA theses.

### **RESEARCH / EXCAVATIONS, FIELD SURVEY PROJECTS**

**2017 – present:** co-director of the Oros Oxa Archaeological Survey conducted under the auspices of the Institute of Mediterranean Studies/Foundation for Research and Technology-Hellas and the Archaeological Ephorate of Lassithi: <http://oxa.ims.forth.gr/>

**2013 – present:** Member of the research team of the Lechaion Basilica (excavation of the Athens Archaeological Society). Responsible for the publication of the architectural sculpture.

**2010 - present:** Director of the Eleutherna-Sector II excavation, conducted under the auspices of the Department of History and Archaeology, University of Crete.

**1994-2002:** Member of the interdisciplinary research team of Ancient Itanos excavations and survey, Eastern Crete. Organised by the French School of Archaeology at Athens and the Institute of Mediterranean Studies /FORTH.

**1987-2009:** Participation in excavations at Ancient Elis (Peloponnese), Eleutherna (Central Crete), Itanos (Eastern Crete), Lattes (France).

### **RESEARCH / FUNDED PROJECTS**

**2017- (2020):** Scientific in charge of the Work Package “In Times of Crisis: Fortified spaces in Crete (7th-9th c.)”, part of the research project "*METOPO - Mediterranean Cultural Landscapes*" (Action for the Strategic Development on the Research and Technological Sector). Institute for Mediterranean Studies / Foundation for Research and Technology.

**2017:** co PI at the project “*HIGH-ABOVE-THE-MOUNTAINS. Fossil Built Landscapes on Mountainous Uplands from the Sky*” funded by Research Center for the Humanities: <http://cretefromabove.ims.forth.gr>

**2013-2015:** Principal Investigator at the project “*Reconstructing the Dynamics of Early Byzantine settlements in Crete: old problems – new interpretations through an interdisciplinary approach*” (Action Aristeia II, Operational Programme for Education and Lifelong Learning -National Strategic Reference Network 2007-2013). Laboratory of Geophysical Remote Sensing & Archaeoenvironment, Institute for Mediterranean Studies / Foundation for Research and Technology: <http://dynbyzcrete.ims.forth.gr>.

**2006-2008:** Post-Doctoral Researcher at the project “Digital Management of archaeological data: the Basilica A at Itanos (East Crete), Action Pythagoras II, University of Crete.

## ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCES / WORKSHOPS

1. Co-organiser of the international congress *The Byzantine Cities (8th-15th c.), Perspectives of the research and new approaches of interpretation*, held at Rethymno, 18-20 October 2009 and organised by the University of Crete and the Institute for Mediterranean Studies / Foundation of Research & Technology.

2. Co-organiser of the *3rd Meeting for the Archaeological Work in Crete (AEK 3)*, held at Rethymno (5-8 December 2013): <http://www.history-archaeology.uoc.gr/activities/conferences/AEK-3.html>

3. Member of the scientific committee of *12th International Congress of Cretan Studies* (Section B), held at Heraklion (21-25 September 2016).

4. Co-organiser of the *4th Meeting for the Archaeological Work in Crete (AEK4)*, held at Rethymno (23-27 November 2016): <http://www.history-archaeology.uoc.gr/activities/conferences/AEK-4.html>

5. Co-organiser of the Workshop “*Views over the Cretan Mountains*”, Rethymno 3-4 October 2017. Hosted by the Institute for Mediterranean Studies / Foundation of Research & Technology within the framework of the project “*HIGH-ABOVE-THE-MOUNTAINS. Fossil Built Landscapes on Mountainous Uplands from the Sky*” funded by Research Center for the Humanities.

6. Co-organiser of the Itinerant Congress *BRAU4: Hidden Cultural Heritage, the 4th Biennial of Urban and Architectural Heritage at Rethymno (25-28 April 2018)*: <http://www.cicop.it/brau/en/brau4-locations/rethymno/>

## PAPERS IN CONFERENCES (2016-2018 selection)

Ch. Tsigonaki, «La basilique du Léchaion. L'étude des sculptures architecturales», *23rd International Congress of Byzantine Studies Belgrade, 22-27 August 2016* (invited)

I. Theodorakopoulos, Ch. Tsigonaki, «Μετακινήσεις στην Κρήτη κατά την πρωτοβυζαντινή περίοδο: ξαναδιαβάζοντας ιστορικές και αρχαιολογικές μαρτυρίες», *12th International Congress of Cretan Studies, Heraklion, 21-25 September 2016*

Ch. Tsigonaki «Οι ανασκαφές του Πανεπιστημίου Κρήτης στην Ακρόπολη της Ελεύθερας (Τομέας II-Κεντρικός): 2014-2016», *4th Meeting for the Archaeological Work in Crete (AEK 4), Rethymno, 24-27 November 2016*

Ch. Tsigonaki, «Ανασυνθέτοντας τη δυναμική των πρωτοβυζαντινών οικισμών της Κρήτης: ο απολογισμός ενός ερευνητικού προγράμματος (DynByzCrete – Αριστεία II)», *4th Meeting for the Archaeological Work in Crete (AEK 4), Rethymno, 24-27 November 2016*

Ch. Tsigonaki, «Excavating the Akropolis of Eleutherna (Central Crete)», *1st Turkish-Greek Byzantine Archaeology Workshop. Koç University Stavros Niarchos Foundation Centre for Late Antique and Byzantine Studies and the Institute for Mediterranean Studies, Antalya (Turkey), 8-9 September 2017* (invited)

G. Cantoro, S. Michalopoulou, Ch. Tsigonaki, «Reading the Mountains: Aerial approach between Archaeology, History and Ethnography», *AARG (Aerial Archaeology Research Group) 2017, Annual Conference, Pula, Croatia, 13 – 15 September 2017*

Ch. Tsigonaki, «Gortyn, Eleutherna and their neighborhoods: The politics of transformation (4th-early 9th c.)», *Byzantine Studies Colloquium, Dumbarton Oaks, Washington DC (USA), 17 November 2017* (invited)

Ch. Tsigonaki, «Crete, a Border at the Sea: Defensive Works and Landscape – Mindscape changes (7th-8th centuries)», *Change and Resilience: The Occupation of Mediterranean Island Systems in Late Antiquity, Joukowsky Institute for Archaeology and the Ancient World International Conference, Brown University (USA), 1-3 December 2017* (invited)

G. Moschovi, Ch. Tsigonaki, D. Chronaki, G. Cantoro, M. Katifori, A. Alygizaki, N. Beteinis, «Όρος Οξιά, μια άγνωστη οχυρωμένη θέση στην Ανατολική Κρήτη», *38th Symposium of Christian Archaeology Society, Athens 11-13 May 2018*

Ch. Tsigonaki, « Οι Άραβες και η Ελεύθερνα: με αφορμή ένα νομισματικό εύρημα από τις ανασκαφές του Τομέα II στο Πυργί », *Eleutherna, Crete and the outside World, International Archaeological Congress, Rethymno, 31 May – 2 June 2018* (invited)

## PUBLICATIONS

Ch. Tsigonaki, «Πήλινα υφαντικά βάρη και σφονδύλια», in Th. Καλπαζής, A. Furtwängler, A. Schnapp (eds), *Ελεύθερνα Τομέας II, 2. Ένα ελληνιστικό σπίτι (Σπίτι Α) στη θέση Νησί*, Rethymno 1994, 109 and 158-167

Ch. Tsigonaki, « Un atelier local de sculpture architecturale dans la région de Mylopotamos (Crète centrale): les trois chapiteaux paléochrétiens d'Éleutherna », *BCH 122/1*, (1998), 357-372

Ch. Tsigonaki, «Εισηγμένα αρχιτεκτονικά γλυπτά και τοπικά εργαστήρια στην παλαιοχριστιανική Κρήτη», *Creta Romana e protobizantina, Atti del Congresso Internazionale, Iraklion, 23-30 settembre 2000*, Padova, Bottega d'Erasmus 2004, vol. III, 2, 1147-1159

Ch. Tsigonaki, « L'ambon de Saint-Tite à Gortyne », *Travaux et Mémoires XV, Mélanges Jean-Pierre Sodini*, Paris 2005, 499-519

Ch. Tsigonaki, « Les villes crétoises aux VII<sup>e</sup> et VIII<sup>e</sup> siècles : l'apport des recherches archéologiques à Eleutherna », *Annuario della Scuola Archeologica Italiana di Atene, LXXXV/ 1* 2007 (2009), 263-297

Ch. Tsigonaki, «Ίτανος: ιστορία και τοπογραφία μιας παράκτιας θέσης της ανατολικής Κρήτης κατά την πρωτοβυζαντινή περίοδο», in O. Gratziou, Ch. Loukos (eds), *Ψηφίδες, Μελέτες Ιστορίας, Αρχαιολογίας και Τέχνης στη μνήμη της Στέλλας Παπαδάκη-Oekland*, Crete University Press (CUP), Irakleio 2009, 203-220

A. Schnapp-Gourbeillon, Ch. Tsigonaki, Al. Duploux, Al. Schnapp, D. Viviers, «Recherches archéologiques à Itanos», *Revue Archéologique* 47, 2009/1, 208-219

Ph. Charlier, Ch. Tsigonaki, «A case of acromegaly (Eleutherna, Greece, 7th c. AD)», *European Journal of Endocrinology* 165 (2011), 819-821.

Ch. Tsigonaki, «Πόλεων άνελπίστοις μεταβολαῖς: ιστορικές και αρχαιολογικές μαρτυρίες από τη Γόρτυνα και την Ελεύθερνα της Κρήτης (4ος - 8ος αι.)», in T. Kiousopoulou (ed), *Οι βυζαντινές πόλεις (8ος – 15ος αιώνας). Προοπτικές της έρευνας και νέες ερμηνευτικές προσεγγίσεις*, Faculty of Letters Publications, University of Crete, Rethymnon 2012, 73-100

N. Papadopoulos, Ch. Tsigonaki, M. Guy, A. Sarris, «Imaging of ancient water management infrastructures through 3-D Resistivity Tomography: The case of Eleutherna archaeological site (Crete, Greece)», *EAGE, 20th European Meeting of Environmental and Engineering Geophysics Athens, Greece, 14-18 September 2014* (DOI: 10.3997/2214-4609.20142105)

Ch. Tsigonaki, «Οι ανασκαφές του Πανεπιστημίου Κρήτης στην Ακρόπολη της Ελεύθερνas (Τομέας II, Κεντρικός)», in P. Karanastasi, A. Tzigounaki, Ch. Tsigonaki (eds), *Archaeological Work in Crete 3, Proceedings of the 3rd Meeting, Rethymnon, 5-8 December 2013, vol. 2: Chania, Rethymno, Lassithi*, Chania: Faculty of Letters Publications, University of Crete / Ministry of Culture and Sports - Ephorate of Antiquities of Rethymnon, 2015, 391-406

Ch. Tsigonaki, A. Yangaki, «Οι αρχαιολογικές έρευνες του Τομέα II στις Δεξαμενές της Ελεύθερνas και η μαρτυρία της κεραμικής», in P. Karanastasi, A. Tzigounaki, Ch. Tsigonaki (eds), *Archaeological Work in Crete 3, Proceedings of the 3rd Meeting, Rethymnon, 5-8 December 2013, vol. 2: Chania, Rethymno, Lassithi*, Chania: Faculty of Letters Publications, University of Crete / Ministry of Culture and Sports - Ephorate of Antiquities of Rethymnon, 2015, 429-448

A. Sarris, N. Papadopoulos, G. Cantoro, A. Agapiou, S. Déderix, Ch. Tsigonaki, M. Devolder, «New Technologies for Capturing the Dynamics of Cultural Landscapes», in P. Karanastasi, A. Tzigounaki, Ch. Tsigonaki (eds), *Archaeological Work in Crete 3, Proceedings of the 3rd Meeting, Rethymnon, 5-8 December 2013, vol. 1*, Chania: Faculty of Letters Publications, University of Crete / Ministry of Culture and Sports - Ephorate of Antiquities of Rethymnon, 2015, 687-697

Ch. Tsigonaki, A. Sarris, «Recapturing the Dynamics of the Early Byzantine Settlements in Crete: Old problems - New Interpretations through an Interdisciplinary Approach», *3rd International Landscape Archaeology Conference 2014, Rome, 17th – 20th September 2014*, Academia Press of the University of Amsterdam 2016 (DOI. 10.5463/lac.2014.5)

K. Armstrong, Ch. Tsigonaki, A. Sarris, N. Coutsinas, «Site Location Modelling and Prediction on Early Byzantine Crete: Methods employed, Challenges encountered», in M. Cirillo, G. Carpentiero (eds), *CAA 2015, 43rd Computer Applications and Quantitative Methods in Archaeology “KEEP THE REVOLUTION GOING” Conference, Siena 30 March – 3 April 2015*, Archaeopress 2016, 659-668

G. Cantoro, Ch. Tsigonaki, K. Armstrong, A. Sarris, «Integrating low altitude with satellite and airborne aerial images: documentation of Early Byzantine settlements in Crete», M. Cirillo, G. Carpentiero (eds), *CAA 2015, 43rd Computer Applications and Quantitative Methods in Archaeology “KEEP THE REVOLUTION GOING” Conference, Siena 30 March – 3 April 2015*, Archaeopress 2016, 963-970

Ch. Tsigonaki, «Reconstructing the dynamics of a public and sacred place: the Central Plateau of the Eleutherna acropolis », in C. Bobas, A. Muller, D. Mulliez, P. Petridis (eds), *Mondes Méditerranéens : perceptions et transformations de l'espace, Actes du 3e Congrès international organisé par Universités Kapodistriais d'Athènes et Charles-de-Gaule – Lille 3, Athènes 8-9 octobre 2015, Editions du Conseil Scientifique de l'Université Charles-de-Gaule – Lille 3* (forthcoming)

Ch. Tsigonaki, « La basilique du Léchaion. L'étude des sculptures architecturales », *Proceedings of the 23rd International Congress of Byzantine Studies, Belgrade 22-27 August 2016* (forthcoming)

Ch. Tsigonaki, «Ανασυνθέτοντας τη δυναμική των πρωτοβυζαντινών οικισμών της Κρήτης: ο απολογισμός ενός ερευνητικού προγράμματος (DynByzCrete – Αριστεία II)», in P. Karanastasi, A. Tzigounaki, Ch. Tsigonaki (eds), *Archaeological Work in Crete 4, Proceedings of the 4th Meeting, Rethymno, 23-27 November 2016* (forthcoming)

Ch. Tsigonaki, «Οι πανεπιστημιακές ανασκαφές στην Ακρόπολη της Ελεύθερας (Τομέας II-Κεντρικός): 2014-2016», in P. Karanastasi, A. Tzigounaki, Ch. Tsigonaki (eds), *Archaeological Work in Crete 4, Proceedings of the 4th Meeting, Rethymno, 23-27 November 2016* (forthcoming)