

Curriculum Vitae

Dimitra Kardakaris

Personal

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Education

- **2013**-Bachelor of arts in History, Department of History, Ionian University
- **2014**-PhD Student. Thesis subject: “From Kasos and Syros to London and New York. The business group of the ship-owners of Kasos from the end of the 19th century to the mid-20th. The evolution of the Greek maritime businesses from local to global”.

Languages

- ✚ **English** (Advanced proficiency)
- ✚ **Greek, modern** (Professional working proficiency)
- ✚ **Italian** (Elementary proficiency)
- ✚ **French** (Elementary proficiency)

Computer skills

- ✚ **Microsoft Office Certificate**
Key Certifications License 5-4-2006 April 2014

Working Experience- Research projects

- ✚ **Historian-Researcher**, Institute of Mediterranean Studies, Rethymno, Greece, January 2018-today.
- ✚ **Participation as a Researcher** in the interdisciplinary and inter-university project “The Black Sea and its port-cities, 1774-1914. Development, convergence and linkages with the global economy” was included in the Action "Thales", financed by the Greek National Strategic Reference Framework, the E.U. and the Greek Ministry of Education during 2012-2015. The project was led by the Department of History of the Ionian University (project coordinator: Professor Gelina Harlaftis) in collaboration with the University of Crete, the National Hellenic Research Foundation, the Institute of Mediterranean Studies, the University of Thessaly and the University of the Aegean. The project collaborated with another 23 universities and research

Institutes from Turkey, Bulgaria, Romania, Moldavia, Ukraine, Russia, Georgia, Israel, Norway, Italy and the United States.

In this project I worked part-time from July 2013 to December 2015 in the processing of archival data to construct the database "Black Sea" and the sub-databases "Χρυσόμαλλο Δέρας/Golden Fleece" and Αργώ/Argo which include ships, traders and cargoes to and from the port cities of Black Sea from the 18th century to the early 20th century.

✚ **Participation as a researcher** the post-doctoral programme titled "From Istanbul to the City of London. Greek Bankers, 1820-1880» led by Dr Katerina Galani (scientific advisor: Professor Gelina Harlaftis). The project took place in the Ionian University and was financed by the Ministry of Development and EU for the period 2011-2014.
In this project I worked part-time from April 2013 to August 2015 processing data from the Account Books of the Bank of England for the London Greek bankers, merchants and ship-owners (1840s-1880s) and registering them to databases.

✚ **Participation as a researcher** in the research team for the creation of a permanent historical exhibition in the historical building «Kelia» in Naoussa of Paros titled "War and Peace in the Aegean, 18th century. 'Orlofika' and Greek Shipping". The research was led by the Environmental and Cultural Park of Paros and was financed by the Levendis Foundation, 2012-2013.
In this project I wrote short histories of two Greek privateers under Russian flag: Ioannis Varvakis and Labros Katsonis.

✚ **Researcher at the Historical and Folkloric Museum, Corfu Island, June 2011 - September 2011.** I worked in the museum archives and wrote of the history of the Historic-folkloric Association of Corfu and its museums as part of the Research Programme of the Department of History of the Ionian University, "Practical Exercise of University Students".

Historical Exhibitions

✚ **Main organizer of the research project and Historical Exhibition "Maritime Communities: Othonoi Island"**, September 2011 to August 2012 (academic advisor: Gelina Harlaftis). In this project I led a team of four students and we did research in the Corfu Municipality, the State General Archives of Corfu, the Archaeological Museum of Corfu, the Dpt of Byzantine Monuments of the Greek Ministry of Culture in Corfu, interviews with seamen on the island of Othonoi and Corfu. The aim was to bring out the maritime tradition of Othonoi Island, which is located northwest of the island of Corfu. The research team discovered a large number of the inhabitants occupied in shipping, ship-owners and seamen, since the beginning of the nineteenth century to the present day. I was also in charge for the construction of 30 panels with photographs and information from the island. The Exhibition was financed by the "Cultural Association of Othonoi".

The exhibition took place in June-July 2011 in the Dpt of History of the Ionian University and was transferred to Othonoi Island in August 2012 where it remains as a permanent exhibition.

Honors and Awards

- ✚ Honor for the first graduate student of the class, June 2008 in Kastellani Messis Senior High School
- ✚ Kaftanzoglio Award, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens- Deanery of Philosophy School, June 2013. Award for the scientific study in the field of history with the title "The rise of the Greek-owned shipping in the Eastern Mediterranean and the Black Sea in the 18th century and the action of the Greek buccaneers under the Russian flag. The case of Ioannis Varvakis"
- ✚ Jan 2015-2016 PhD Scholarship from "Fondation Le Cedre", Elias S Kulukundis and A.S.M Carswell
- ✚ Aug 2016-2017, PhD Scholarship from A.M. Leventis Foundation
- ✚ Travel bursary to visit Brunel Institute from Society for Nautical Research, Bristol September 2019
- ✚ January 2018-February 2020 PhD Scholarship from Institute of Mediterranean Studies and Stavros Niarchos Foundation - Advancing Young Researchers' Human Capital in Cutting Edge Technologies in the Preservation of Cultural Heritage and the Tackling of Societal Challenges – ARCHERS"

Volunteer Experience

- ✚ I took part in the team that organized the archives of the Dept of History, in the Laboratory of History Documentation and the Mediterranean World, Ionian University, November 2013 - April 2014
- ✚ I organized the archives of the Museum of the Historic and Folkloric Company of Corfu, July 2011 – September 2011

Publications

- ✚ **Dimitra Kardakaris, "The Liberty ships in Greece and the contribution of Manolis Kulukundis in the creation of the post-war Greek shipping", Athens 2016. Special Edition of Naftika Chronika with the title, The "generation" of Liberty ships.**
- ✚ **Dimitra Kardakaris "Manolis Kulukundis: One of the leading figures in Greek-owned shipping in the 20th century" in *The Greek maritime example. Leading figures of the Greek shipping business during the 20th century*. Ναυτικά χρονικά (Naftika Chronika), Athens 2015**
- ✚ **The history of Toyota Motor Corporation at** <http://www.mixanitouxronou.com.cy>, 31/10/2015
- ✚ **Ioannis Varvakis as a pirate and buccaneer of Aegean Sea in 19th century, www.tvxs.gr. April 6, 2013**
- ✚ **Ioannis Varvakis as a merchant and businessman of caviar in Russia, www.tvxs.gr, April 10, 2013**
- ✚ **Othonoi Island. A short presentation** Ionian University August 15, 2012 at <http://othonoisland.blogspot.gr/2014/04/blog-post.html>

Conferences/Presentations

- ✚ Paper presented, **“The use of maritime limited liability companies in Greece at the beginning of 20th century”, The case of Retymnis and Kulukundis Ltd**, National Institute of Research “Eleftherios Venizelos” and Institute for Mediterranean Studies, Lascaridis Foundation, 31/1/2020-1/2/2020
- ✚ Paper presented, **‘The Invisible Entrepreneurs’ Aspects of female entrepreneurship in Greek shipping of the early 20th century: the case of Marigo Kulukundis**”, Connecting the Oceans: The Impact of Global Steam in the Nineteenth Century, Society of Nautical Research and Brunel Institute, Bristol 6-7 September 2019
- ✚ Paper presented, **“Greek ship-owners in the era of steamships (end of 19th-mid 20th centuries). The case of Kasiot ship-owners**, 22 Annual Congress of European Business History Association, Universita Politecnica delle Marche, Ancona, Italy 6-8 September 2018.
- ✚ Paper presented, **“Kasos as a maritime center of the Southern East Aegean of the 18th century”**, Municipal Library of Kasos Island, August 2018.
- ✚ Paper presented, **“The business group of Kasiot ship-owners. The case of Kulukundis family”**, 23rd Annual Summer Meeting of Master and PhD students, Department of History and Archaeology, University of Crete, Rethymno, 6-8 July 2018.
- ✚ Paper presented, **“From Kasos and Syros to London and New York. The business group of the ship-owners of Kasos from the end of the 19th century to the mid–20th. The evolution of the Greek maritime businesses from local to global”**, 43rd Annual Economic and Business History Society Conference, University of Jyväskylä, Finland 30 May-2 June 2018.
- ✚ Paper presented, **"The Greek example: Leading figures of Greek ship owners, from the 19th century until today"**, May 2015, Colloquium for the celebration of the Day of Greek Mercantile Shipping, organized by “Naftika Chronika” magazine, hosted at the Aikaterini Laskaridis Foundation, 20 May 2015, Piraeus.
- ✚ Paper presented **"The Shipping tradition of Othonoi Island"**, in the conference titled "Local societies in the maritime and land space in the southern Balkans, 18th-19th centuries", Department of History, 25-26 May 2012, a conference to the memory of Evi Olympitou, Ionian University
- ✚ Paper presented **"The Othonoi Island. A Short presentation"**, inauguration of the Exhibition " Maritime Communities: Othonoi Island", Othonoi, August 15, 2012, organized by the Cultural Association of Othonoi.