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Greetings:

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to Athens and to the Seventh Annual Humanity in Action International Conference. We are most grateful to Mayor Georgios Kaminis who has placed this conference under the auspices of the City of Athens. We are delighted to convene this important conference at Technopolis, a landmark of the City of Athens.

Humanity in Action is also grateful for the generosity of The William H. Donner Foundation, the Germeshausen Foundation, Microsoft, the Bodossaki Foundation and other private philanthropists who have provided support. Finally, we would like to give special thanks to our Greek Advisory Board whose members have helped steer our outreach efforts in Greece. Spearheaded by Humanity in Action France, the inclusion of Greek Fellows in our national programs as well as study trips since 2014 was made possible through a generous grant of the Stavros Niarchos Foundation.

The theme of the Seventh Annual Humanity in Action International Conference is “Europe at the Crossroads: Perspectives from Athens.” This conference is taking place during a time of extraordinary challenge to the international order. The conference enables the Humanity in Action community to engage in the issues of diversity, migration, diplomacy and national cohesiveness within the Greek and European contexts. Many countries in Europe are struggling with the consequences of economic crises, the imposition of austerity measures, the influx of migrants and refugees and the growth of political extremism and nationalist parties. As these pressures are deeply felt in Greece, we will explore the unique intersection of political, economic and migration crises in Greece over the next few days.

The educational ambitions and scope of the conference epitomize Humanity in Action’s unique and innovative model. The conference sessions are international, intergenerational, interdisciplinary and driven by the importance of connecting the past and present. During the conference we will enhance our collective knowledge through a variety of forums: plenary sessions with stimulating keynote speakers, breakout sessions for discussions on more specific issues and workshops to communicate and implement skills and ideas. We will also feature a number of Senior Fellow Action Projects to showcase the variety of fine work inspired by our programs. These selections, chosen from a growing body of projects, represent Humanity in Action’s commitment to encouraging action within and beyond our network through vigilance, historical knowledge, and a willingness to act. Furthermore, site visits to a variety of community organizations and city tours will give conference participants a direct insight into the domestic challenges facing vulnerable social and minority groups in Athens.

This Athens conference – our Seventh Annual International Conference – is the culmination of our fellowship programs in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Denmark, Germany, the Netherlands, Poland and the United States for nearly 140 university students, recent graduates and graduate students who are emerging leaders in human rights. We are also pleased to be joined by Senior Fellows from the past 19 years of programs, board members, staff, donors and friends of the organization. This event highlights the work of each of Humanity in Action’s national offices and the wide-ranging and ambitious programs and initiatives that they develop and implement throughout the year. We are most grateful to all of those who work for and with Humanity in Action. We are especially thankful to the conference organizing team – Antje Scheidler, Anthony Chase, Yulia Shalomov, Konstantinos Koukos and Adeola Aderemi.

Our annual conferences provide a rich milieu for all members of the Humanity in Action community to convene, develop ideas and forge partnerships and friendships. We look forward to another inspiring conference, especially in a location as important as Athens. Thank you very much for joining us on this special occasion.

Judith S. Goldstein
Founder and Executive Director
Humanity in Action

Neil Karbank
Interim Chair of the Board
Humanity in Action
Optional Site Visits for Early Arrivals

9:00 – 11:00  Optional Site Visit: Former Concentration Camp Chaidari
Location: Rimini 93, 124 62 Chaidari

13:00 – 14:00  Optional Organization Visit: MELISSA Network of Migrant Women
• Nadina Christopoulou (Anthropologist and Co-Founder, Melissa Network)
• Jennifer (Click) Ngwere (Melissa Network)
• Deborah Valencia (Melissa Network)
Location: Feron 18, Plateia Victorias, 104 34 Athens

Plenary Sessions at Technopolis

Location: Amphitheater, Technopolis City of Athens (Pireos str. 100, 118 54 Gazi-Athens)

17:00  Arrival at Technopolis
17:15 – 17:30  Opening Remarks: Between Europe and the Middle East – Crises in Greece
Judith S. Goldstein (Founder and Executive Director, Humanity in Action)

17:30 – 18:15  Welcoming Address from the Mayor of the City of Athens
Georgios Kaminis (Mayor of the City of Athens)

18:20 – 18:30  Action Project Video Presentation: “Miman’s Story – with Wings and Roots”
Project by Christina Antonakos-Wallace (Humanity in Action Senior Fellow), and Lotti Schulz (With Wings and Roots)

18:30 – 20:00  Keynote: The Build-Up to the Crisis and Its Impact on Greece
Dr. Axel-Sotiris Walldén (Université Libre de Bruxelles)

Conference Dinners

20:30  Conference Dinners
Senior Fellow Reunion Dinner
Location: Restaurant Tirbouson (Konstantinoupoleos 104, 104 35 Athens)

2016 Fellow Dinner
Location: Restaurant TRAMP (Voutadon and Triptolemou 36, 118 54 Athens)

Board Member and Guests Dinner
Location: Restaurant Aleria (Megalou Alexandrou 57, 104 35 Metaxourgio Athens)
FRIDAY, JUNE 24

Plenary Sessions at Technopolis

Location: Amphitheater, Technopolis City of Athens (Pireos str. 100, 118 54 Gazi - Athens)

9:00 – 9:15 Coffee and conference registration

9:15 – 9:30 Introduction to the day

9:30 – 9:45 Action Project Video Presentation: “Anne Frank Project – Poznań”
Project by Sudip Bhandari and Łukasz Niparko (Humanity in Action Senior Fellows)

9:45 – 11:00 Keynote: The Rise and Fall of Jewish Salonika
Dr. Rena Molho (Historian, Greece)

11:00 – 11:20 Break

Project by Jarmila Rybicka (Humanity in Action Senior Fellow) and Marysia Złonkiewicz

11:30 – 12:45 Keynote: The Refugee Challenge The Changing Political Landscape and Identity Discourse in Europe
Konstanty Gebert (International Columnist, Gazeta Wyborcza)

12:45 – 13:45 Lunch

13:45 – 14:00 Speaker Project Presentation: “My City Istanbul – Creativity Workshop with Refugee and Local Youth”
Lina Srivastava (Co-Founder, Regarding Humanity; Faculty, School of Visual Arts, New York, United States)

14:00 – 15:30 Keynote: A Crisis within the Crisis – The Refugee Situation in Greece
Prof. Dimitris Christopoulos (Associate Professor, Panteion University Athens; Vice-President of the International Federation for Human Rights, Greece)

15:30 – 16:00 Break

16:00 – 17:00 Panel Discussion: Refugees in Greece – Diverse Responses from Civil Society Organizations
- Yonous Muhammadi (President, Greek Forum of Refugees)
- Chrysanthi Protogerou (Director, Greek Council for Refugees)
- Deborah Valencia (Melissa Network of Migrant Women)
- Moderator: Brett Stark (Co-Founder, Terra Firma; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow, United States)

17:00 – 17:30 Break and change of location
The evening program will be conducted in small groups – breakout sessions and site visits – to explore topics of one’s interest in further depth. They run simultaneously and are listed by location.

**Breakout Sessions at Innovathens**

*Location: Innovathens, Technopolis City of Athens (Pireos str. 100, 118 54 Gazi - Athens)*

**17:30 – 19:30 Mediterranean Cities of Hope: The Athens-Barcelona Partnership**
Janina Pescinski (United Nations University Institute on Globalization, Culture and Mobility, Spain; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow, United States)
*Room: Ground floor*

**17:30 – 19:30 Freedom of Speech and the Digital Space**
Jochem de Groot (Government Affairs Lead, Microsoft in the Benelux Countries; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow, The Netherlands)
*Room: First floor*

**17:30 – 19:30 Architect for Change: Criminal Justice Reform & Lessons for Changing a System**
Owusu Akoto (Humanity in Action Senior Fellow, United Kingdom)
*Room: Second floor*

**Breakout Sessions at Impact Hub Athens**

*Location: Impact Hub Athens (Karaiskaki 28, 105 54 Athens)*

**18:00 – 20:00 Current Challenges for Refugee Protection in Greece – UNHCR's Operation in Greece**
Kalliopi Stefanaki (UNHCR Protection Officer, Greece)
*Room: Open space, first floor*

**18:00 – 20:00 Roma, 'Gypsies' and Tsiggano: An “Unintegrated” Minority? Lessons from the Field**
Christos Iliadis (Trainer-Facilitator, Council of Europe, Greece)
*Room: Athens Comics Library, basement*

**18:00 – 20:00 Generation 2.0 for Rights, Equality and Diversity: Intercultural Mediation and Approaches of the Second Generation and the Refugee Issues in the Field**
• Theodora Vangi (Communication Officer, Generation 2.0 for Rights, Equality and Diversity, Greece)
• Sebene Eshete (Volunteer, Generation 2.0 for Rights, Equality and Diversity, Greece)
• Silvia Giulini (Volunteer, Generation 2.0 for Rights, Equality and Diversity, Greece)
*Room: White room, first floor*

**18:00 – 20:00 The Mediterranean Crisis in Context: A European Story**
Elidor Mëhilli (Assistant Professor, Department of History - Hunter College of the City University of New York; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow, United States)
*Room: Workshop room, ground floor*
18:00 – 20:00 **SLAP: Supporting LGBTQ+ Against Prejudice**  
Chrysoula Iliopoulou and Penelope Kaouni (Colour Youth, Greece)  
*Room: Garden Meeting Room, Ground Floor*

**City Walks**

17:30 – 19:30 **City Walk: Refugee and Social Housing**  
Neos Cosmos / *Start: Technopolis / End: Syngrou Fix*

17:30 – 19:30 **City Walk: Urban Tribes of Athens: The Street Art Scene**  
Psirri and Metaxourgeio / *Start: Technopolis / End: Monastiraki*

17:30 – 19:30 **City Walk: Gay Athens: Past and Present**  
Plaka, Monastiraki, Omonoia / *Start: Technopolis / End: Plaka*

18:00 – 20:00 **City Walk: Shedia Tour – Athens from the Perspective of the “Invisible”**  
*Start: Shedia’s Offices, Favierou 24-26, 104 38 Athens / End: Athinas 55 (Opposite of Varvakeios Market)*

**Site Visits**

*Location: Tenedou 21, 112 57 Kypseli - Athens*

18:00 – 20:00 **Organization Visit: ARSIS (Association for the Social Support of Youth)**  
Antonis Antoniou (Youth Counselor, Coordinator of Athens Youth Support Center)

*Location: Day Center for the Homeless, Deligiorgi 26-28, 104 37 Metaxourgeio - Athens*

18:00 – 20:00 **Organization Visit: PRAKSIS (Programs of Development, Social Development, Social Support and Medical Cooperation)**  
• Dina Vardaramatou (PRAKSIS Programs Coordinator, Athens Polyclinic)  
• Yannis Kontogiannakis (PRAKSIS Centre Coordinator, Athens Polyclinic)

**Humanity in Action Board Meeting**

*Location: Restaurant Strofi (Rovertou Galli 25, 117 42 Athens)*

18:00 – 20:30 Strategic Planning Meeting for Humanity in Action Board Chairs
>> SATURDAY, JUNE 25

The morning program will be conducted in small groups – breakout sessions and site visits – to explore topics of one’s interest in further depth. They run simultaneously and are listed by location.

City Walks

9:00 – 11:00  **City Walk: The Experience of Occupation and Resistance in Athens, 1941-1944**
Menelaos Charalampidis (Historian)
*Start:* Kolonaki Square  /  *End:* Omonoia Square

9:00 – 11:00  **City Walk: Judaism, Christianity and Islam**
Thisseion and Plaka / *Start:* Akropoli Metro Station, exit to D. Areopagitou Street / *End:* Technopolis

9:00 – 11:30  **City Walk: Refugee and Social Housing**
Neos Cosmos / *Start:* Neos Cosmos Metro Station, exit to Ilia Iliou str. / *End:* Technopolis

9:00 – 11:00  **City Walk: Urban Tribes of Athens: The Street Art Scene**
Psirri and Metaxourgeio / *Start:* Monastiraki Square (Entrance to the BENETH bakery) / *End:* Technopolis

9:00 – 11:00  **City Walk: Shedia Tour – Athens from the Perspective of the “Invisible”**
*Start:* Shedia’s Offices, Favierou 24-26, 104 38 Athens / *End:* Athinas 55 (Opposite of Varvakeios Market)

Breakout Sessions at Innovathens

*Location:* Innovathens, Technopolis City of Athens (Pireos str. 100, 118 54 Gazi - Athens)

9:30 – 11:30  **A Model for Refugee Housing & Integration in the Netherlands**
Tamar Van Gelderen (Senior Associate, Verre Bergen Foundation; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow, The Netherlands)
*Room:* First floor

9:30 – 11:30  **Terra Firma: Medical-Legal Care for Unaccompanied Immigrant Children**
Brett Stark (Co-Founder, Terra Firma; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow, United States)
*Room:* Ground Floor

9:30 – 11:30  **Fighting Workplace Discrimination: A Legal and Practical Overview - The French Case**
Isis Labeau-Caberia (Jurist; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow, France)
*Room:* Second Floor
Breakout Sessions at Impact Hub

Location: Impact Hub Athens (Karaiskaki 28, 105 54 Athens)

9:00 – 11:00 Humanitarian Responses to the Refugee Arrivals and the Impact of the EU-Turkey Deal: Experiences from the Field
Christina Calbos (Camp Management Team Leader, Norwegian Refugee Council, Greece)
Room: Workshop room, ground floor

9:00 – 11:00 The Impact of the Crisis on the Greek Media Landscape
Marilena Katsimi (Journalist, ERT National Greek Broadcasting Company, Greece)
Room: Athens Comics Library, basement

9:00 – 11:00 The Uniqueness of the Threat that Neonazism and Neofacism Pose for European Societies
Thanasis Kampagiannis (Lawyer, Greece)
Room: Open space, first floor

9:00 – 11:00 At the End of Every Data Point Is a Human Being: Storytelling and Technology for the Refugee Crisis
Lina Srivastava (Co-Founder, Regarding Humanity; Faculty, School of Visual Arts, New York)
Room: White room, first floor

9:00 – 11:00 Careers in Human Rights for Academics
Noam Schimmel (Visiting Fellow, Kellogg College, University of Oxford; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow, United States)
Room: Garden meeting room, ground floor

Plenary Sessions at Technopolis

Location: Amphitheater, Technopolis City of Athens (Pireos str. 100, 118 54 Gazi - Athens)

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee and registration

11:30 – 11:45 Introduction to the day

11:45 – 12:00 Action Project Video Presentation: “ROMA – A Discussion of Diversity and the Treatment of Minorities”
Project by Sahra-Josephine Hjorth (Humanity in Action Senior Fellow) and the CanopyLAB Team

12:00 – 13:00 Keynote: “A Million Odysseys” – Being a Photographer in a Time of Crisis
• Myrto Papadopoulou (Photographer and filmmaker)
• Facilitator: Ndeye Diobaye (Journalist; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow, France)

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 14:15 Action Project Video Presentation: “Reclaiming the Body Liberating the Mind – 21st Century Black Activism”
Project by Denzel Caldwell (Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)
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Heracles Mosko (National Rapporteur on Trafficking, Greece) |
| 15:15 – 15:45| Coffee break                                                          |
| 15:45 – 16:45| **Panel Discussion: Responding to Migration and Populism in Europe**  
- Anders Jerichow (Editor, *Politiken*; Chair, Humanity in Action Denmark)  
- Fatma Koşer Kaya (Member of the House of Representatives of the Netherlands; Chair, Humanity in Action Netherlands)  
- Moderator: Elidor Mëhilli (Assistant Professor, Department of History, Hunter College of the City University of New York, Humanity in Action Senior Fellow) |
| 16:45 – 17:00| **Closing Remarks**  
Judith S. Goldstein (Founder and Executive Director, Humanity in Action) |
|              | **World Café and Program Farewells at Innovathens**                  |
|              | *Location: Innovathens, Technopolis City of Athens (Pireos str. 100, 118 54 Gazi - Athens)* |
|              | **World Café Formats, Project Presentations, Sharing Program Experience** |
| 17:00 – 18:00| **Ground Floor**  
*Counteracting Hate Speech*  
Facilitators: Team Warsaw and Humanity in Action Poland |
| 17:00 – 18:00| **First Floor**  
*Germany’s Response to the Refugee Migration*  
Facilitators: Team Berlin and Humanity in Action Germany  
*Transit Migration: The Balkan Route*  
Facilitators: Team Sarajevo and Humanity in Action Bosnia and Herzegovina |
| 17:00 – 18:00| **Second Floor**  
*Volunteering in Times of Crisis: Factors for Success*  
Facilitators: Team Copenhagen and Humanity in Action Denmark |
| 18:00 – 18:15| Break                                                                |
|              | **Farewell Meetings of 2016 Humanity in Action Fellows**               |
| 18:15 – 19:00| **Ground Floor**  
2016 Berlin program  
2016 Warsaw program |
| 18:15 – 19:00| **First Floor**  
2016 Amsterdam program  
2016 Copenhagen program  
2016 Sarajevo program |
| 18:15 – 19:00| **Second Floor**  
2016 Diplomacy and Diversity program |
Conference Dinner

Location: Evdomos (Karagiorgi Servias 4, 105 62 Athens; 7th floor)
Entrance of Evdomos is at Alley Kaliga near Syntagma Square.

20:00 Closing dinner and party

>> SUNDAY, JUNE 26

Day of departure

12:00 – 18:00 International Staff Meeting
Location: Restaurant Collage (Kapnikareas 3, 105 63 Athens)
DIMITRIS CHRISTOPOULOS
Dimitris Christopoulos is an Associate Professor of State and Legal Theory at the Department of Political Science and History of the Panteion University of Athens, where he has taught since 2000. His courses include “Introduction to the European Legal and State Theory,” “Minorities in Europe,” “Citizenship and Migration” and “Art, Freedom and Censorship.” Since 2013, Prof. Christopoulos has served as Vice President of the International Federation for Human Rights, previously having chaired the board of the Hellenic League for Human Rights from 2003 until 2011. Prof. Christopoulos has taught as a visiting professor and has provided lectures in different universities in Europe and the United States. He has published in Greek, English, French, Portuguese, Hebrew, Albanian and Serbo-Croatian in scientific reviews or journals in the field of legal and political theory, focusing on issues related to human rights, minorities, migrants and citizenship. Prof. Christopoulos is frequently interviewed by international or Greek media and writes regularly in the Greek press and certain web portals. His last book addresses the current refugee situation in Greece (Papazisis Publ. Athens, 2016, with Georgia Spyropoulou).

NDEYE DIOBAYE
Ndeye Diobaye is a French writer of Senegalese and Malian origins. She graduated from Sciences Po Paris in 2014, Ndeye’s work focuses on the representation of minorities in the media, a field in which she has been working in for the past three years, first as a journalist and now as a communications strategy consultant. She is completing her masters in politics and communications at the London School of Economics: her dissertation focuses on the responses to domestic terrorism on social media and the politics of online solidarity. Upon graduating, Ndeye will be joining a strategy consulting firm in Libreville, Gabon, where she will provide communications solutions for Francophone African governments and companies. She hopes to publish her first novel in the next two years. She is a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow (France 2014).

KONSTANTY GEBERT
Konstanty Gebert is an Associate Fellow at the European Council for Foreign Relations and an international reporter and columnist at Gazeta Wyborcza, Poland’s largest daily publication. He also serves as a Special Advisor on International Affairs with Humanity in Action. During the 1970s, he was a democratic opposition activist and organizer of the Jewish Flying University; while in the 1980s, under martial law, he was an underground journalist. He covered the Bosnian War between 1992 and 1995 for Polish and international media. He is the co-founder of the Polish Council of Christians and Jews and the founder of Midrasz, a monthly Polish Jewish intellectual publication. Konstanty Gebert serves as a board member for the Taube Centre for the Renewal of Jewish Life in Poland as well as the Einstein Forum in Potsdam, Germany, and the Advisory Board of the Dutch Jewish Humanitarian Fund in Amsterdam. He has taught across Poland, Israel and the United
States. He has authored ten books, which examine topics such as: the Polish democratic transformation, French policy toward Poland, the Yugoslav wars, the wars of Israel, Torah commentary and post-war Polish Jewry. His essays have appeared in two dozen publications in Poland and abroad, and his articles have been featured in newspapers around the world.

JUDITH S. GOLDSTEIN
Judith S. Goldstein founded Humanity in Action in 1997 and has served as its Executive Director ever since. Under Judith’s leadership, Humanity in Action has organized educational programs on international affairs, diversity and human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Poland, the Netherlands and the United States. She received her Ph.D. in history from Columbia University and was a Woodrow Wilson Scholar for her MA studies. Judith has written several books and articles about European and American history, art and landscape architecture. She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and several boards and advisory groups.

ANDERS JERICHOW
Anders Jerichow is a Danish columnist, frequent commentator on international affairs and an international media activist focusing on human rights and the Middle East. He has been an editor at the Danish newspaper Politiken since 2002 and also Editor-in-Chief of the Copenhagen daily newspaper Aktuelt. He is the author of several books, mostly on human rights, civil society and the Middle East. Notably, he published a book on political cartoonists in a global minefield (2011), telling the story of cartoonists in South Africa, Jordan, Zimbabwe, India, Hong Kong, the United States, France, Britain, Sweden and the cartoon controversy in his home country. Jerichow is currently the Chair of Humanity in Action Denmark.

GEORGIOS KAMINIS
Georgios Kaminis was elected Mayor of Athens in November 2010 and re-elected to a second term in May 2014. Prior to his election as Mayor of Athens, Mr. Kaminis served as Greek Ombudsman. From 1998 to May 2003, he was Deputy Ombudsman for Human Rights at the Greek Ombudsman. In 2003, he was unanimously elected Greek Ombudsman by the Greek Parliament, and he was re-elected for a second term in 2007. In August 2010, Mr. Kaminis resigned from the post of the Greek Ombudsman in order to stand as an independent mayoral candidate for the City of Athens. In the 1990s, Mr. Kaminis worked as a lecturer and assistant professor of constitutional law in the Faculty of Law at the University of Athens. Mr. Kaminis studied law at the University of Athens, and holds a doctoral degree (Doctorat d’ Etat) from the University of Paris I. He was born in New York City and he has also lived in Osaka, Paris, Madrid and Heidelberg. In addition to his native Greek language, he speaks fluent English, French, Spanish and German. Mr. Kaminis is married and has two children.
FATMA KOŞER KAYA

Fatma Koşer Kaya is a Dutch lawyer and politician of Turkish origin. As a member of Democrats 66 she was an MP from September 8, 2004, to September 19, 2012. She focused on social affairs. Since February 2013, she has been an alderwoman of Wassenaar. She is Chair of the Humanity in Action Netherlands Board of Directors and serves on the international Board of Directors of Humanity in Action, Inc. In 2015, she once again joined the parliament, replacing Gerard Schouw, as a member of the House of Representatives of the Netherlands.

ELIDOR MËHILLI

Elidor Mëhilli holds a PhD from Princeton University and undergraduate degrees from Cornell. He is an Assistant Professor in the Department of History at Hunter College, City University of New York, where he teaches European and international history. Prior to this position, he held a Mellon fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania and a post-doctoral fellowship at Columbia University. He has also held visiting appointments at the Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung (Potsdam, Germany) and at Birkbeck College (London). His own research has appeared in The Journal of Cold War Studies, Kritika: Explorations in Russian and Eurasian History, International History Review, and a number of edited volumes. His forthcoming book will offer the first archive-based account of Albania’s communist dictatorship, one of the most brutal in Europe’s recent history. Outside of his academic work, he has written on soccer and Balkan nationalism for Quartz.com, on denial and remembrance in Srebrenica for Conversation.com, and on the Mediterranean prehistory of the refugee crisis. For the past decade, he has also published over 30 editorials in the largest Albanian daily newspapers (Shqip, Shekulli, MAPO) on history, politics, education policy, and current affairs. He lives in New York City. Elidor is a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow (The Netherlands 2003).

RENA MOLHO

Dr. Rena Molho taught the history of Greek Jewry in Panteion University in Athens. Her work focuses on the different aspects of Ottoman and Greek Jewish history and civilization and, more specifically, that of the Jews of Salonika. She has published more than 60 studies in both Greek and international scientific books, encyclopedias and journals. Her first book The Jews of Thessaloniki, 1856-1919: A Unique Community received the Athens Academy Award in 2000. It was published in Greek by Themelio in 2001, 2006 and made its third edition in 2014 by Patakis. Her second book Salonica and Istanbul: Social, Political and Cultural Aspects of Jewish Life was published by Isispress in Istanbul, in 2005. Her book entitled Jewish Sites in Thessaloniki: A Brief History and Guide was published in 2009 by Lycabettus Press Athens and has since been translated into Greek and German. Her book The Memoirs of Dr. Meir Yoel: An Autobiographical Source on Social Change in Salonica at the Turn of the 20th Century was published by Isispress in Istanbul in 2011. In the same year Rena
Molho was decorated as Chevalier de l’Ordre des Palmes Académiques for her contribution in the enhancement of French culture and received the Alberto Benveniste prize for research in Paris in 2015. Her latest book with the title *The Holocaust of Greek Jews, Studies in History and Memory* was published in Greek and is now being translated into German.

**HERACLES MOSKOFF**

Heracles Moskoff studied social anthropology in London (BSc) and graduated with a sociology PhD from the London School of Economics. Since 2001, he worked as an Expert Counsellor with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs on Human Security and Trafficking in Human Beings (THB). He worked with Hellenic Agency for International Development/Ministry of Foreign Affairs and was responsible for the Human Security Network and Public Private Partnerships against THB. From 2004 to 2008, he coordinated the Inter-ministerial Committee and drafted two national action plans (2004 and 2006). In 2008, he moved to the Office of the Secretary General and coordinated an informal national coordination mechanism to monitor and combat THB. His duties were to facilitate the ‘national ownership’ of international best practices regarding protection, prevention, prosecution and partnership. In his capacity as National Rapporteur, his main field of interest and expertise is inter-agency cooperation, identifying unusual partners in prevention and promoting new partnerships with a view to raise public awareness, educate competent authorities and tackle the ‘demand side’ of THB including the private sector (corporate social responsibility against THB). Dr. Moskoff was also a lecturer in Panteion University and his research has been published by the Hellenic Foundation for Foreign and European Policy (ELIAMEP), the Defense Analysis Institute, the Migration Policy Institute, the Local Administration Institute, ISTAME and others.

**YONOUS MUHAMMADI**

Forced to leave Afghanistan in 1997 during his final semester of medical college, Yonous Muhammadi stayed in Pakistan and then Iran where he worked to support refugees, always with the hope of returning to Afghanistan. When it became clear that he could not return to his country, he continued to Turkey and then Greece, where he arrived in 2001 and was recognized as a political refugee. An activist from the beginning, he participated in the creation of the Afghan Community in Greece, of which he was elected president from 2007 to 2013. Through his work, Mr. Muhammadi pursued the need to unite refugee communities. In 2010 he helped to found a refugee network, the Greek Forum of Refugees (GFR), which strives to promote cooperation between refugee communities. Elected as President of GFR in 2013, he is active in providing everyday support for refugees, as well as working to advocate for their rights across Greece and beyond. In 2015, he was elected as a member of the European Migration Forum and, in 2016, elected as a member of the National Council against Racism of the Ministry of Justice.
MYRTO POPADOPULOS

Myrto Papadopoulos finished her studies in 2003 after completing a five-year fine arts degree, majoring in painting and photography. In 2006, she applied for a documentary photography degree at the International Center of Photography in New York, where she was granted a scholarship. She has won various awards and nominations and, in 2013, she was a winner and named emerging photographer 2013 by the Magenta Foundation in Canada. She has taken part in several exhibitions including the Mois Off de la Photo in Paris (2008), the PHOTOQUAI 2em Biennal Du Monde at the Museé Quai Branly in Paris (2009), the New York Photo Festival (2009), the Biennale of Young Artists of Europe XIV bicem (2009), the LOOK3 Between Festival in the United States (2010), the DUMBO Arts Festival in New York (2011), the Athens Photo Festival (2011, 2012), the Flash Forward Exhibition in Toronto and Washington DC (2013), Greek America Foundation / Film & Photo Week in Toronto (2014), the Euroart Photo Exhibition in Milan (2014), the Lishui Photography Festival in China (2015) and others. Her clients include Time Magazine, GEO International, Le Monde, The Wall Street Journal, Die Zeit, Wired, DAS Magazine, Neue Zuger Zeitung, CAPITAL, Vision Magazine, Lens New York Times, Time.com, ARTE TV, and ZDF TV, among others. Today, she works as a freelance photographer and a documentary filmmaker and is represented by Redux Pictures in New York.

CHRYSANTHI PROTOGEROU

Chrysanthi Protogerou is the Director of the Greek Council for Refugees. She has many years of professional experience as to the legal assistance, legal support and counseling of refugees. Prior to her current position, she was member of the Appeals Committees within the national and international protection procedure (MPC), representing the UNHCR. In 2008 and 2009, she served as Special Advisor at the Ministry of Interior in the Cabinet for Migration Policy and Integration of Migrants and was also a member of a task force, formed by the Ministry of Interior for the 3rd Meeting of the “Global Forum on Migration and Development” under the Greek Presidency. Chrysanthi Protogerou studied law at the University of Athens and has been a member of the Law Bar Association of Athens since 1993.

BRETT STARK

Brett Stark is Legal Director and co-founder of Terra Firma at Catholic Charities New York, where he provides direct representation to unaccompanied immigrant children in immigration and family court, specializing in asylum law and special immigrant juvenile litigation. He has presented on medical-legal partnerships and unaccompanied immigrant children’s rights at Yale Law School, Harvard Medical School, the German Permanent Mission to the United Nations, and the American Academy of Pediatrics. Previously, Brett worked in refugee resettlement in Kenya, on human rights in Israel, and was a 2008 Fulbright Scholar in Taiwan. He is the co-author of academic articles on international child abduction, statelessness, and
and unaccompanied immigrant children. He was a 2015 Davis Fellow for Peace at Middlebury College. He is a graduate of Harvard Law School and admitted to the New York Bar and the Eastern and Southern Districts of New York. Brett is a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow (Germany 2006).

DEBORAH VALENCIA
Deborah Valencia has been involved with migrant women organizing, networking and advocacy for the rights and welfare of migrant women for more than three decades. Deborah is a founding member of BABAYLAN-Philippine Women’s Network in Europe. She has initiated the founding of DIWATA - The Philippine Women’s Network in Greece, which has started a micro-credit cooperative managed by the migrant women themselves. She has conducted various trainings such as cooperative, leadership formation, assertiveness seminars, organizing and financial literacy among migrant women.

AXEL-SOTIRIS WALLDÉN
Axel Sotiris Walldén is of Greek and Swedish nationalities. He studied economics in Sweden and France and was awarded his PhD from the University of Athens. From 1996 to 2014 he held various posts in the European Commission related to enlargement and neighbourhood policies, including that of head of the strategy unit of DG Enlargement. From 2000 to 2003, he served as Counsellor to the Greek Foreign Minister on Balkan affairs (on secondment from the Commission). Previously, he had served, inter alia, as Secretary-General at the Hellenic Ministry of National Economy and as a visiting professor at the Panteion University in Athens. Walldén has been teaching a post-graduate course at the Institut d’Etudes européennes of the Université Libre de Bruxelles. He is the author of 13 books and a large number of articles in scientific reviews and journals on Balkan, EU enlargement and Greek foreign and domestic policy issues. His latest book was Europe, the Greek Crisis and the Democratic Left (2014).
SPEAKERS
OWUSU AKOTO

Owusu Akoto is the senior advisor on value chains at the UK Ministry of Justice, (MoJ). He leads the internal reform program to improve how the National Offender Management Service works with partners. Owusu was initially asked to join the MoJ to work on the 2013 'overcharging' scandal: this occupied the top of the UK political agenda and involved the discovery over overcharging by providers of home-curfew monitoring equipment and services. The disputes concluded with a settlement totaling £180m and was a watershed moment for the UK government in its commercial undertakings. Subsequently, Owusu was asked by the Director of Rehabilitation Services to oversee the delivery of probation (for low and medium risk) in Greater London. Owusu also worked as a management consultant and at the War Crimes Chamber of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Interpol. Born in London, raised in Ghana and educated in the United States, Owusu attended the University of Pennsylvania, where we graduated with the Senior Honour Award. In Ghana, Owusu was a television talk show host on national TV, where his dialogue with the public focused on social issues that affect youth. Owusu is also an award-winning photographer with a number of solo features and exhibits under his name. Owusu is a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow (Denmark 2003).

ANTONIS ANTONIOU

Antonis Antoniou’s professional background is mostly connected to working with socially disadvantaged populations. These include people with addiction problems, young offenders, refugees and immigrants, as well as groups inside penitentiary centers. In 1999, he graduated from the Department of Psychology at the University of Crete in Rethimno. Afterwards, he attended two masters degree programs – the counseling psychology program at the National University of Athens and the organizational and economic psychology program at Panteion University. Since 2002, he has been attending training programs at the European Center for the Study of Anthropos. He has been a collaborator of the Center since 2009. In 2009, he started his private practice, which includes individual and group psychotherapy. His collaboration with the Association for the Social Support of Youth (ARSIS) began in 2002. From 2009 to 2011, Antoniou was the general supervisor of the office of ARSIS in Athens. Currently, he is the coordinator of the Youth Support Center in Athens, as well as the supervisor of the volunteers and the interns of ARSIS. Outside of work, Antoniou’s passions are music (playing drums, percussion, guitar), art (drawing, comics), cinema and traveling.

CHRISTA CALBOS

Christina (Christa) Calbos is currently working in humanitarian crisis response in Northern Greece as a Camp Management Team Leader for the Norwegian Refugee Council. Christa completed her undergraduate degree at Manhattanville College in international studies and global justice, and her master’s degree in Black Sea cultural studies at the International Hellenic University of Thessaloniki. She also spent a formative semester in South Africa, studying multiculturalism and human rights, and conducting research with Sonke Gender Justice Network on promoting positive masculinity and ending gender-based violence. Since August 2015, Christa has been volunteering as a community organizer for local solidarity networks supporting refugees arriving at the Greek-FYROM border in Eidomeni. After months as a volunteer, Christa began working with Praksis, a local NGO, as a field assistant at the Greek-FYROM border, and later spent three months on the island of Chios with the Norwegian Refugee Council (NRC) working as a Site Management Assistant at a refugee transit camp. In April 2016, Christa returned to Thessaloniki to be part of NRC’s start-up team conducting needs assessments and expanding site management and infrastructure activities within formal refugee camps throughout Northern Greece. In her free time, Christa likes to continue her volunteer
Christa likes to continue her volunteer activities, and write and take photographs of her travels and experiences.

**MENELAOS CHARALAMPIDES**

Menelaos Charalampidis was born in Athens in 1970. He has a degree in economics from the University of Piraeus and he is a doctor of history in the University of Athens. His first book, *The Experience of Occupation and Resistance in Athens*, was published in 2012 by Alexandria Editions. Two years later, he published his second book *Dekemvriana 1944: The Battle of Athens* (Alexandria Editions) regarding the December 1944 fights between British troops and the Greek resistance army. He is also the co-editor of the collective volume *Era of Conflict: Greek Society in the 40s* (Epikentro Editions, 2012). He is a founding member of the Social History Forum, which has organized a series of scientific conferences on the period of 1936-1949. He has been organizing history walks in Athens since 2013.

**NADINA CHRISTOPOULOU**

Nadina Christopoulou is co-founder and coordinator of Melissa, an umbrella network for migrant women and their organizations. She studied anthropology and political science at McGill University and then pursued an MPhil in social and political theory and a PhD on social memory through Roma storytelling practices. Her recent research and writing focus on childhood migration and migrant women’s networks. She has been involved in the development of various educational and action-research projects on cultural diversity, as well as a documentary series shot in 14 countries, presenting the stories of 28 people living in each other’s homelands. She is currently developing a digital photographic archive on the same subject, jointly curated with Magnum photographer Nikos Economopoulos, tracing the cycles of migration that Greece has experienced in the 20th century. She is also serving as the vice president of the Board of the Greek Council for Refugees.

**JOCHEM DE GROOT**

Jochem de Groot is Government Affairs Lead for Microsoft in the Benelux countries. He is responsible for Microsoft’s policy engagement in this region on a variety of policy themes, including privacy, cyber security, innovation, amongst others. Prior to joining Microsoft, Jochem was senior policy advisor on internet freedom at the Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs. In this role, he founded the Freedom Online Coalition, an intergovernmental political platform for the advent of human rights on the internet. Before working on ICT and internet policy issues, Jochem was a political advisor for the Liberal International in London, and a personal assistant to the leader of the Dutch liberal party VVD, Jozias van Aartsen - the current mayor of the City of The Hague. Jochem holds master’s degrees in Islam studies and sociology from the University of Utrecht, and a bachelor’s degree from University College Utrecht and the University of California in San Diego. He is a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow (Netherlands 2003) as well as a Lantos-Humanity in Action Congressional Fellow (2004).

**SEBENE ESHETE**

Sebene Eshete was born and raised in Athens, Greece, by Ethiopian parents. She has a BA in international and European studies from the University of Piraeus. Currently Sebene is enrolled in the masters program in environment and development at the National Technical University of Athens. Among others, she has completed internships at the Institute of International Relations and PRAKSI, an NGO. Sebene speaks Greek, English and French.
SILVIA GIULINA

Silvia Giulini was born in 1991 in Genova, Italy. She studied international relations at the Università degli studi di Genova in Italy. In October 2013, she graduated cum laude with a BA and, in 2015, she graduated cum laude with an MA. Both of her theses concerned international law and humanitarian rights. After her studies she started working as a volunteer in Genova, both for ARCI Solidarietà Genova at the Migrant Information Desk, and for MIGRANTES, a housing organization for refugees. Thanks to a fellowship funded by Università degli Studi di Genova, she has been working in Greece as an intern at Generation 2.0 RED in Athens since February.

CHRISTOS ILIADIS

Christos Iliadis holds a PhD in discourse theory from the Department of Government at the University of Essex. He obtained his bachelor of arts in political science and history from Panteion University in Athens and his master of arts in political science from the University of Athens. His published work and his PhD thesis focused on human rights, policies of exclusion and inclusion regarding minorities and on the history of an indigenous “Muslim minority” living in Greece. Iliadis worked in numerous projects regarding minority and migrant integration. Since 2014, he has been a trainer-facilitator for the Council of Europe on Romed 2, a project targeting Roma integration. In 2013, he was elected to the board of the Hellenic League of Human Rights and he is also a deputy member of the Migrant Integration Council at the City of Athens.

CHRYSOULA ILOPOULOU

Chrysoula Iliopoulou has just completed a BA in psychology at Panteion University of Athens. She comes from Amaliada, a town in the south Peloponnese and is currently living in Athens. As an Erasmus student, she spent a semester in Rome, studying political sciences. Chrysoula has been playing the violin since the age of seven and this year is getting her violin degree. During the last couple of years she has had an active interest in issues regarding sexual health, sexual education, sexual rights as well as LGBTQI+ rights. Thus, she has been volunteering for Amnesty International (“My body, my rights” Campaign) as well as for Positive Voice, the Greek association for defending the rights of people with HIV/AIDS. She has attended many seminars, congresses and trainings on issues relating to sexuality and gender issues and sexual rights. Last year Chrysoula developed an interest in the subject of the psychosocial identity of homosexuals in Greece; this was the research subject of her BA thesis. She is currently working as a volunteer for the NGO “Colour Youth: The LGBTQ youth Community of Athens” as the coordinator of the support group. She has been accepted for a Master’s program on Sexual Education at Widener University, Pennsylvania, United States.

THANASIS KAMPAGIANNIS

Thanasis Kampagiannis is a lawyer who lives and works in Athens. He has studied law at Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and took a master’s degree in political science and history in Panteion University in Athens. He has been active in the antiracist and antifascist movement and has represented victims of racist violence in court. He is currently working in the Golden Dawn trial, representing Egyptian migrants who had been physically attacked by a Golden Dawn battalion squad.

PENEOLOPE KAOUNI

Penelope Kaouni has a degree in computer engineering and is a musician. Penelope is currently a postgraduate student in a graphic arts and multimedia program. Penelope is
a queer activist and, since 2012, has been a board member of the NGO Colour Youth – the LGBTQ youth community of Athens, having actively participated in most of its activities so far.

MARILENA KATSIMI

Marilena Katsimi was born in Athens in 1970. She holds a master’s degree (Magister Artium) in Journalism, Political Science and Theatrical Studies from the Free University and Humboldt University of Berlin. As a journalist, she has participated in several documentaries, information and arts programs. As a reporter for the national public television news bulletin, she has specialized in international news. Finally, she has been involved as an anchorwoman in several live television shows, which has been her main role over the last 10 years. She regularly writes articles for magazines, newspapers and blogs. She has established a solidarity web-radio, with news from the solidarity community and presents a radio program on the public radio about the solidarity movement in Greece and human rights issues. She runs campaigns against racism, xeno, homo- and transphobia. Marilena Katsimi was elected General Secretary of the Journalists’ Union from 2013-2015. She is married to Professor Dimitris Christopoulos and they have three children.

ISIS LABEAU-CABERIA

Isis Labeau-Caberia graduated from Sciences Po Paris in 2012 with a bachelor's degree in political and social sciences. As an exchange student at Columbia University in New York, she specialized in the sociology of inequalities. She also spent a semester in Senegal working with UN Women on gender-based violence and women political participation. In 2013, Isis was involved in a student association at Sciences Po and co-organized the “Semaine des Outremers.” These student organizations included a week of conferences, workshops and cultural events aimed at improving students' knowledge of France’s overseas territories and combatting pervasive prejudices. Isis is currently a master’s student in public affairs at Sciences Po Paris. After graduation, she aspires to work in the conception of policies addressing discrimination. Isis is a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow (France 2014).

ELIDOR MËHILLI

Elidor Mëhilli holds a PhD from Princeton University and undergraduate degrees from Cornell. He is an Assistant Professor in the Department of History at Hunter College, City University of New York, where he teaches European and international history. Prior to this position, he held a Mellon fellowship at the University of Pennsylvania and a post-doctoral fellowship at Columbia University. He has also held visiting appointments at the Zentrum für Zeithistorische Forschung (Potsdam, Germany) and at Birkbeck College (London). His own research has appeared in *The Journal of Cold War Studies*, *Kritika: Explorations in Russian and Eurasian History*, *International History Review*, and a number of edited volumes. His forthcoming book will offer the first archive-based account of Albania’s communist dictatorship, one of the most brutal in Europe’s recent history. Outside of his academic work, he has written on soccer and Balkan nationalism for Quartz.com, on denial and remembrance in Srebrenica for Conversation.com, and on the Mediterranean prehistory of the refugee crisis. For the past decade, he has also published over 30 editorials in the largest Albanian daily newspapers (*Shqip*, *Shekulli*, MAPO) on history, politics, education policy, and current affairs. He lives in New York City. Elidor is a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow (The Netherlands 2003).
JENNIFER NGWERE

Jennifer (Click) Ngwere was born and raised in Bikita Minerals, Zimbabwe, in a mine-workers family. She became a guerrilla fighter at the age of 16 at her country’s Liberation Movement, from 1976 to 1980, and then part of the Zimbabwe National Army from 1981 to 1983. Afterwards, she completed teacher’s training at the Morgenster Teachers College and worked as a history teacher. She did further training at the Alvord Training Centre and became a trainer for pre-school teachers. She also trained as a bee-keeper at the Henderson Research Station and was keeping bees, while her other skills include knitting, embroidering and crocheting. Click was celebrated as a hero of independence and as a role model for women in her native country, and two international independent film productions have been shot about her life (Neria & Flame). She is a member of the United African Women’s Organization and the Mandela Gals.

JANINA PESCINSKI

Janina Pescinski is a Junior Research Fellow at the United Nations University Institute on Globalization, Culture and Mobility in Barcelona. Her current research takes a human rights approach to migration, with a particular focus on the Mediterranean, and she has also worked on questions of female agency and mobility. Previously, Janina worked for Amnesty International in Paris, conducting research on West Africa, and as a development associate at the Women and Health Alliance International. She earned her BA in cultural anthropology at Rutgers University, an MA in human rights from Sciences Po Paris, and is soon to start doctoral studies in politics and international studies at the Open University. Janina is a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow (Netherlands 2012).

NOAM SCHIMMEL

Noam Schimmel is a Visiting Fellow at Kellogg College at the University of Oxford. He holds a PhD in media and communication from the London School of Economics and Political Science, a MSc in philosophy, policy and social value from LSE and a masters in international human rights law from the University of Oxford. His interdisciplinary doctoral research examined American Democratic presidential healthcare reform rhetoric, American healthcare reform policy and politics and the human right to healthcare. He was an O’Brien Fellow in Residence and Visiting Fellow at the Centre for Human Rights and Legal Pluralism, McGill University Faculty of Law, where he is currently an Associate Fellow. He served on the faculty of the School for International Training’s comparative human rights study abroad program in 2014, teaching courses on human rights in the United States, Nepal, Jordan and Chile. Noam is a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow, having participated in both the 2001 Dutch program and the 2015 Diplomacy and Diversity program.

LINA SRIVASTAVA

Lina Srivastava, founder of CIEL, is a strategist who catalyzes and amplifies social impact through cultural forms, creativity, and technology. She brings new narrative forms and distribution techniques to human rights and global development initiatives, including migration and refugee issues, poverty alleviation, and gender rights. An attorney by training from New York University School of Law, Lina has worked with organizations such as UNESCO, the World Bank, AARP, UNICEF, Internews, and Apne Aap, and on campaigns for several documentaries, including Born into Brothels, The Devil Came on Horseback, Inocente, and Who Is Dayani Cristal?
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KALLIOPI STEFANAKI

Kalliopi Stefanaki is working with United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) in Greece as a Protection Officer. She has studied law at the Kapodistrian University of Athens and completed her postgraduate studies in public international law in the University of Paris II Sorbonne. She is a lawyer, member of the Athens Bar Association, and has been working in the field of human rights and refugee rights since 1998. She served in the Greek Ombudsman’s Office, in the Human Rights Department, for eight years. She has participated as a speaker in a number of conferences related to the above mentioned fields and has published articles on the same topics. Kalliopi Stefanaki has also worked with the European Commission and the Office of the European Parliament in Paris. She is a member of the Hellenic League for Human Rights, an NGO active in the human rights field in Greece and an NGO-member of the International Federation of Human Rights. She is married with two children.

TAMAR VAN GELDEREN

Tamar van Gelderen is a Senior Associate at the Verre Bergen Foundation. She studied philosophy and religion at University College Utrecht (BA) and comparative and international education (MA) at Teachers College, Columbia University in New York City, for which she was awarded a Fulbright Scholarship. During and besides her studies, she founded several educational initiatives, such as a photography project focused on intercultural dialogue for youth and TEDxTeachersCollege. In 2010, she received a Humanity in Action award in recognition of her action project. She has worked on several human rights projects that mainly focus on education programming and the rights and protection of children in (post) conflict affected regions. In addition, she has a strong interest in the sociology of education and how access can be provided to guide and support young talent. She currently serves as Treasurer on the board of the Rotterdam Talent Scholarship program. This program offers grants to highly motivated and talented first generation low-income students to pursue a degree at Erasmus University College, a competitive liberal arts and sciences program. Tamar is a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow (Netherlands 2008).

THEODORA VANGI

Theodora Vangi was born and raised in Athens, Greece. She has been Generation 2.0’s Communication Officer since September 2015. Theodora Vangi studied international and European affairs at the University of Piraeus and lived and studied abroad for two years in Paris and in Rotterdam. Being a graduate student of the media, culture and society master’s program of the Erasmus University, she is interested in research concerning media discourse and campaigning in human rights.
DINA VARDARAMATOU

Dina Vardaramatou is the Coordinator of the PRAKSIS Polyclinic in Athens which offers its legal, medical and social services to socially and/or economically excluded people such as immigrants, refugees, homeless, unaccompanied minors, ex-inmates, ex-drug users, etc. She is a social worker/ sociologist with a master of arts degree in social and community work studies. She has carried out research on trafficking in persons, genetic screening, social inclusion, rape and gender-based violence. Dina Vardaramatou worked as a Scientific Advisor of Project Empowerment of Socially Excluded Women in Georgia from 2003 to 2005. Since 2012, she has been serving as General Secretary of the Centre of Research and Action on Peace, an NGO. Previously, she was President of the Board (2003-2006) and a member of the Executive Board of the NGO. She has worked as a Project Coordinator of Stop Trafficking of People Now (STOP NOW – 2000-2009), and was the founder and coordinator of the Galatsi Group (an ad hoc group of stakeholders - state agencies, international organizations and NGOs - working on anti-trafficking issues, 2002-2009). Dina Vardaramatou has served as a member of the Committee of Social Agencies, at the Ministry of Health (2008-2012). She was a member of the Coordinating Committee of the Observatory Against Gender-based Violence (2007-2012), a member of the Executive Board of the international NGO Association of Women of the Mediterranean Region (1996-1998). She has worked extensively - as a professional, activist and volunteer - with socially and/or economically excluded groups such as victims of trafficking, drug users, people from vastly different and culturally diverse backgrounds.
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Pireos str. 100, 118 54 Gazi - Athens

Site Visit | Chaidari Former Concentration Camp
Rimini 93, 124 62 Chaidari

Site Visit | Melissa Network of Migrant Women
Feron 18, Plateia Victorias, 104 34 Athens
Restaurant | Tirbouson (Senior Fellows Dinner)
104 Konstantinoupoleos, 104 35 Athens

Restaurant | TRAMP (2016 Fellows Dinner)
36 Voutadon & Triptolemou, 118 54 Athens

Restaurant | Aleria (Board Dinner)
Megalou Alexandrou 57, 104 35 Metaxourgeio - Athens

FRIDAY

Venue | Amphitheatre, Technopolis City of Athens
Pireos str. 100, 118 54 Gazi - Athens

Venue | Impact Hub Athens
Karaiskaki 28, 105 54 Athens

Venue | Innovathens, Technopolis City of Athens
Pireos str. 100, 118 54 Gazi - Athens

Site Visit | NGO ARSIS (Association for the Social Support of Youth)
Tenedou 21, Kypseli, 112 57 Athens

Site Visit | NGO PRAKIS (Programs of Development, Social Development, Social Support and Medical Cooperation)
Day Center for the Homeless, Deligiorgi 26-28, 104 37 Metaxourgeio - Athens

Tour | City Walk: Refugee and Social Housing
Location: Neos Cosmos
Start: Technopolis | End: Syngrou Fix

Tour | City Walk: Gay Athens: Past and Present
Location: Plaka, Monastiraki, Omonoia
Start: Technopolis | End: Plaka

Tour | City Walk: UrbanTribes of Athens: The Street Art Scene
Location: Exarcheia, Psirri, Metaxourgeio
Start: Technopolis | End: Monastiraki

Tour | Shedia Tour - Athens from the Perspective of the “Invisible”
Start: Shedia’s Offices, Favierou 24-26, 104 38 Athens | End: Athinas 55 (Opposite of Varvakeios Market)

Strategic Planning Board Meeting | Strofi Restaurant
Rovertou Galli 25, 117 42 Athens
SATURDAY

Venue | Amphitheatre, Technopolis City of Athens  
Pireos str. 100, 118 54 Gazi - Athens

Venue | Impact Hub Athens  
Karaiskaki 28, 105 54 Athens

Venue | Innovathens, Technopolis City of Athens  
Pireos str. 100, 118 54 Gazi - Athens

Tour | City Walk: Judaism, Christianity and Islam  
Location: Thisseion & Plaka  
Start: Akropoli Metro Station, exit to D. Areopagitou Street | End: Technopolis

Tour | City Walk: Refugee and Social Housing  
Location: Neos Cosmos  
Start: Neos Cosmos Metro Station, exit to Ilia Iliou str. | End: Technopolis

Tour | City Walk: UrbanTribes of Athens: The Street Art Scene  
Location: Exarcheia, Psirri, Metaxourgeio  
Start: Monastiraki Square (Entrance to the BENETH bakery) | End: Technopolis

Tour | Historical City Tour I “The Experience of Occupation and Resistance in Athens (1941-1944)” – Menelaos Haralambides, Historian  
Start: Kolonaki Square | End: Pattision Street (near Omonoia)

Tour | Shedia Tour - Athens from the Perspective of the “Invisible”  
Start: Shedia’s Offices, Favierou 24-26, 104 38 Athens | End: Athinas 55 (Opposite of Varvakeios Market)

Closing Reception | Evdomos  
Karagiorgi Servias 4, 105 62 Athens; 7th floor; Entrance of Evdomos is at Alley Kaliga near Syntagma Square.
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