

Part B1.1. PI Curriculum Vitae & Scientific Achievements

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PERSONAL INFORMATION	
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CURRENT POSITION AND TEACHING ACTIVITIES	
2015 -now	Professor Faculty of Social Theology and the Study of Religion, University of Athens, Greece
2020-now	Ass. Manager of Center of Excellence of “Exploitation of Orthodox Heritage and Interreligious Dialogue” of the University of Athens [Head of Patriarchal Institute of Orthodox Mission in the Far East]
2004-now	Hellenic Open University

PREVIOUS POSITIONS AND TEACHING ACTIVITIES	
2009-2015	Associate Professor Faculty of Social Theology and the Study of Religion, University of Athens, Greece
2005-2009	Lecturer Faculty of Social Theology and the Study of Religion, University of Athens, Greece

EDUCATION

1997 -1999	PhD Thesis, Faculty of Social Theology, University of Athens. Topic: “The Heavenly Worship in Rev. 4-5”
1991 -1997	M.A. Thesis, Faculty of Social Theology, University of Athens. Topic: “The meaning of the term <i>Apviov</i> in the Apocalypse”
1991	Postgraduate Studies, Faculty of Theology, Gutenberg University in Mainz. Lectures and Seminars regarding the “Interpretation and Theology of the New Testament, especially the Apocalypse of John”
1990 - 1991	Postgraduate Studies, Biblical Studies Department, Faculty of Social Theology, University of Athens.
1985-1990	BA., Faculty of Theology of the School of Theology, University of Athens.

SUPERVISION OF GRADUATE STUDENTS & POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWS *(if applicable)*

2004 - today	1 Postdoctoral / 2 Ph.D. / 60 Master’s Degree Students Hellenic Open University - National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
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ACADEMIC ACTIVITY (SUPERVISION & RESEARCH)

2018 -2018	Rosa-Luxemburg-Stiftung, Goethe-Institut (Berlin and Athens), Academic advisor for the film presentations on Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, at the University of Ioannina for young adults (15-18).
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PUBLICATIONS	
BOOKS (SELECTION)	
<i>The Heavenly Worship in Sec. 4-5 of the Revelation of John</i> , PhD Thesis, Wiesbaden (2000)	
<i>The Transfiguration in Mark's Gospel and the Pauline Epistles</i> , Wiesbaden (2000), pp.165	
<i>Liturgical plans for the teaching curriculum of Greek-Orthodox religious doctrine (classes 5-13)</i> , Hessian Ministry of Culture (2001), pp.30	
<i>Jesus as Christ and Political Power in the Synoptic Evangelists</i> , Athens: Athos (2006), pp. 450	
<i>The Revelation of John. Hermeneutical Approach to the Book of Prophecy. Vol. I</i> , Athens: Athos 2005, pp. 243	
<i>The Revelation of John. The Book of Prophecy. Liturgical and Synchronic Hermeneutical Approaches</i> , Vol. II, Athens: Athos 2007, pp. 374	
<i>The Code of the Gospels. Introduction to the Synoptic Gospels and Practical Methods for their Interpretation</i> , Athens: Athos 2007, pp. 489	
<i>Human Identity and Morality in the New Testament. The New Testament in the 21st century. Vol. II, Biblical Studies in Biblical Ethics</i> , Athens: Athos 2008	
<i>The Apostle Paul in Athens. Synchronic Interpretation of Acts 17</i> , Athens: Athos 2009	
<i>The Missionary Journeys of Paul in Greece (Macedonia-Achaia-Asia)</i> , Athens: Uranus 2010, pp. 367. Found also at: webdata.psichogios.gr/sample/9789604538812.pdf	
<i>Commentary on 1 Timothy. Christianity and its "silent" Expansion</i> . Athens: Tremendum 2014, pp. 500	
<i>The New Testament in the 21st century. Pauline Studies: On the traces of the Apostle of the Nations Vol. III</i> . Athens: Tremendum 2014, pp. 350	
<i>The New Testament in the 21st century. Vol. V Essays on John: Poetry – Theology. Addendum: Pedagogical-Pastoral applications of evangelical excerpts</i> . Athens: Tremendum 2014, pp. 350	
<i>Bible and Pedagogical Approaches</i> . Athens: Ennoia 2017	
<i>Studies in Pauline Theology</i> . Athens: Ennoia 2017, pp. 350	
S. Despotis, N. Paulou, Ath. Stogiannidis, <i>Issues from the Bible for the 1st Class of Ecclesiastical Highschools</i> , Ministry of Education and Religious Affairs, Greek Institute of Educational Policy. Athens: Diofantos 2019.	
ARTICLES (SELECTION)	
'The concept of Unity according to Mark. 8:22-10:52, its place in the structure of Mark's Gospel and the 'Child' as a motive and pattern to Unity', <i>Bible and Modern Man</i> , Volume I, Thessaloniki: Pournaras (2005), pp. 115-136. Honorary tribute to Prof. Karavidopoulos	

'The Christology of the Pastoral Epistles', <i>Suggestions - XI Assemblage Orthodox Biblical Theologians, Spiritual Escrow Ap. Paul. The Pastoral Epistles</i> , Lefkada 25-28 September 2003: Thessaloniki (2004), pp.131-150
'Paul's trip to Rome and the Shipwreck in Meliti', <i>Diaconia, Operation, Charisma</i> (C. Galanis, S. Despotis). Levadia: En Plo (2006), pp. 189-201. Honorary tribute to Prof. C. Galitis
'The portrayal of Jesus on Cinema', <i>Biblical Studies Bulletin</i> 33 (2006), pp. 185-207
'Luke 16:16-18 – Law and Gospel', <i>EETHSPA</i> 42 (2007), pp. 425-435
'Christianity and political authority: the interpretation of Rom 13:1-7 by J. Chrysostomus', Symposium on J. Chrysostomus: The personality and theology of St. J. Chrysostomus, Athens: Apostoliki Diakonia (2007), pp. 427-451. 'Luke as a Historian and Evangelist'. <i>Sinaxi</i> 107 (2008), pp. 4-16 'Paul and Sports in 1 Cor. 9:24-27 and Phil. 3:12-15', <i>Alexandrian Amitos</i> . P. Tzoumerkas and P. Tzoumerkas (ed.), Alexandria: Patriarchal Library Edition of the Alexandria Patriarchate, 2008, pp.131-144. Honorary tribute in Memory of I. Hadjifotiou
'Greek Ethical Philosophy and the Ethics of Early Christianity', <i>Timeless Components of Orthodox Theology. [OPΘ 60]</i> , Volume III, Patras: Greek Open University, (2009), pp. 155-275
2 Cor. 3:18: Το ἡμεῖς ως κλείδα κατανόησης του «κατοπτριζόμενοι» και «μεταμορφούμεθα», <i>Proceedings of the First World Conference "Paul and Corinth"</i> (ed. S. Despotis) Corinth, (2009), pp. 505-527
'144,000 Eunuchs - Virgin: Violence and Marriage in Matthew and Revelation of John', <i>The Bible and Ancient World</i> . P. Vassiliadis and others (Ed.), Thessaloniki: Pournaras (2010), pp. 75-98. Honorary tribute to Emeritus Professor John L. Galanis
'Φωνὴ βοῶντος ἐν τῇ ἐρήμῳ ἐτοιμάσατε τὴν ὁδὸν Κυρίου εὐθείας ποιεῖτε τὰς τρίβους τοῦ Θεοῦ ἡμῶν (Is. 40, 1-3): "Alternative" reception of the Gospe" of the Gospels in the classroom', <i>Assembly</i> 113 (2010), pp. 40-53
'Come and See (Jn. 1, 35-39): The first Speech of Jesus in John and the Creation of disciples' cycle', <i>Theologia</i> 81 (2010), pp. 45-64
'Examination of the term "Church" and of its importance in two Ancient Texts of Christianity (1 Thess. And 1 Cor.)', <i>Enateniseis</i> 14 (2010), pp. 54-61
'A Reading of the excerpt of the hated "philanthropist foreigner (Luke 10, 25-37)', <i>Biblical Studies Bulletin</i> 38 (2010), pp. 126-134
'Τὸ ἐκ πίστεως εἰς πίστιν in Rom. 1 17', <i>EETHSPA</i> 45 (2010), pp. 237-265
The art of interpretation of Origen on the basis of his Commentary of Romans', <i>Testimony course</i> . Ven. Elder Dionysios Ch. Voulgaris (eds.) (2010) Athens, pp. 151-173. Dedicatory Volume in Memory of His Beatitude Pope and Patriarch of Alexandria and All Africa, Cyrus Petros VII
'The functionality of the prefatory Hymn of John', <i>Scientific Review of the Master Program "Studies in Orthodox Theology" 1</i> (2011), pp. 101-130
'The narrative of Jesus' Transfiguration in Mark's Gospel (9.1 to 13)', <i>Intellectual Diakonia - Periodical edition of the Holy Metropolis of Constance in Ammochostos, Cyprus</i> 11 (2011), pp. 14-17
'Biblical threads permeating the Wedding at Cana (2, 1-11)', <i>EETHSPA</i> 36 (2011), pp. 319-342
'The purpose of Writing and the rhetoric Strategy of the Ephesians' <i>Scientific Review of the Master Program "Studies in Orthodox Theology" 2</i> (2012), pp. 151-200
'Heresy and Human Geography: The example of Κολοσσαί', <i>Theologia</i> 83 (2012), pp. 173-195
'To Philemon: A therapeutic and pastoral reading'. <i>Enatenisis</i> 15 (2012), pp. 57-71 / 16 (2012), pp. 71-78
'The theme and the title of Pontifical Prayer (Jn. 17)', <i>Oiakotrofon</i> : Tinos (2012), pp. 409-422. Honorary tribute to Res. Bishop of Syros, Tinos, Andros, Kea and Milos, Mr. Dorotheus
'God's Word as a sword and Hope as an anchor explained in the Hebrews', <i>Biblical Studies Bulletin</i> 29b (2012), pp. 103-130
'Paul: Life and Theology. A critical presentation of the work of M. Wolter, <i>Paulus. Ein Grundriss seiner Theologie</i> , Neukirchen-Vluyn: Neukirchener Verlag 2011', <i>Sinaxi</i> 125 (2012), pp. 71-90
'Paul as nurse-mother of the Thessalonians (I Thes. 2, 7b-8)', <i>Scientific Review of the Postgraduate Program "Studies in Orthodox Theology" 2</i> (2012), pp. 103-119

‘Jn. 8, 25: The authority that I speak unto you?’, <i>EETHSPA</i> 47 (2012), pp. 257-263
‘Christian ethos and morality based on the pastoral letters and in particular of the reference to woman’s attitude in 1 Tim. 2, 9-15’, <i>The return of Ethics</i> (ed. S. Zouboulakis), Athens: Life Bread (2013), pp. 98-147
‘The meaning of the term ΠΟΛΙΤΕΥΜΑ in Phil. 3 (20-21)’, <i>Theology</i> 85 (2014), pp. 177-205
‘Philosophical Ethics and Christian Ethics’ in A. Antonopoulos and S. Despotis, <i>Long Standing Principles of Eastern Orthodox Christian Theology</i> , engl. trans. by A. Antonopoulos (Patrai, GR.: Hellenic Open University Publications, 2015), pp. 157-230.
‘A biblical approach on the concept of heresy and the prerequisites of participation in an Ecclesiastical Synod’. <i>Synaxis</i> 143 (2017), pp. 46-55.
‘Socrates and Paul: a reading of Paul’s speech on Areus Pagus on the basis of Plato’s Euthyphro’, <i>Proceedings of the 21st International conference on Paul: Paul and the Philosophers: 2400 years from the birth of Aristotle</i> (2016), pp. 171-186
‘Academic biblical interpretation, Church and society in the 20th Century’, <i>Proceedings of the International Conference on the occasion of 180 years since the founding of the School of Theology of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens</i> , forthcoming
Paul and Zeno, <i>International Journal of Orthodox Theology</i> (forthcoming)
‘The narrative of Paul’s visit to Philippi (Phil. 16:11-40), International Symposium [May 2011] (forthcoming)
‘Paul and Ethics in the globalized 1st century CE and the postmodern 21st century CE’, <i>Proceedings of the Conference on the 1950 years since the Martyrdom of Paul</i> (February 2017) in Pyrgos and Amaliada, 100-129. Pyrgos: Department of Social Theology and the Study of Religions 2019, 25-35. http://www.soctheol.uoa.gr/publishing.html
‘Luther, New Pauline Perspectives and Orthodox Hermeneutical Tradition. Some observations on the translation of Rom. 9-11’, <i>Proceedings of the Conference of the School of Theology (University of Athens) on the occasion of the 500 years since the Reformation</i> 17-23. Athens: School of Theology 2019, 25-35.
PUBLICATIONS IN FOREIGN JOURNALS (SELECTION)
<i>Panagopoulos, Johannis: Artikel Orthodoxe Kirchen / Theologie’, in: Neues Handbuch Theologischer Grundbegriffe. Neuauflage 2005, hg.v. Peter Eicher. 4 Bände, München 2005.</i> In the new edition of the Dictionary I updated the Bibliography on Orthodoxy.
Das Evangelium als Hörgechehen’, <i>Orthodoxes Forum</i> 20 (2006), pp. 181-193. It is about an enhanced version of the Gospels as Leitourgika Akroamata, <i>Githosinon Sevasma</i> . Volume I’ (ed. P. Skaltsi, Archimandrite N. Skretta), Thessaloniki (2013), pp. 527-548. Honorary Tribute to the Professor Ioannis M. Fountoulis († 2007)
‘The Way to Emmaus (Lk. 24, 13-32)’, <i>Orthodoxes Forum</i> 22 (2008), pp. 169-180. This is an enhanced version of the Road to Emmaus, <i>Eirmos</i> (Annual Scientific Yearbook Apostolic Diakonia) 1 (2004), pp. 513-535
‘Die Seefahrtperikope (Apostelgeschichte 27,1-28,10)’, <i>Orthodoxes Forum</i> 24: 2 (2010), pp. 153-160. This is my work: Paul’s trip to Rome and the Shipwreck in Meliti. <i>Diaconia, Leitourgia, Charisma</i> (C. Galanis, S. Despotis). Honorary tribute to prof. C. Galitis, Levadia: En Plo (2006), pp. 189-201
‘Paul of Acts and the Strategic of his Mission’, <i>Journal of Orthodox Theology</i> . A prepublication of the introduction to my book <i>The missionary journeys of Paul in Greece (Macedonia-Achaia - Asia</i> . Athens: Uranus (2010), pp. 367
‘Come and See! (Joh 1,35-39): Die ersten Worte Jesu im Johannesevangelium und die Formierung seines Jünger-Kreises’ in the volume of the contributions of the I Colloquium Ioanneum. This improved version of “Ἐρχεσθε καὶ ὁψεσθε (Jn. 1, 35-39): The first Speeches of Jesus in John and the Creation of the pupils’ cycle, <i>Theologia</i> 81 (2010), pp. 45-64
‘Am Anfang war die Hochzeit: Jesus erstes Zeichen im Johannesevangelium “. Die biblischen Assoziationen der Hochzeit in Kana (Joh. 2: 1-12)’, <i>Orthodoxes Forum</i> 26 (2012) 7-25. This is an improved version of the Biblical Coherence Bible threads cutting Wedding at Cana (2, 1-11) <i>EETHSPA</i> 36 (2011), pp. 319-342. Following the recommendation of van de Watt, it will be published in the journal of the <i>New Testament Society of South Africa</i>

'The Intimacy of Paul to the Thessalonians in (Thess. 2: 7b-12)', <i>ELPIS</i> Redakcja czasopisma teologicznego (http://elpis.edu.pl/autorom) 16 (2014), pp. 99-111. ,Doxologische Ethik im 1. Timotheusbrief. eine orthodoxe Perspektive Metapher – Narratio – Mimesis – Doxologie Begründungsformen frühchristlicher und antiker Ethik Kontexte und Normen neutestamentlicher Ethik. Contexts and Norms of New Testament Ethics Band VII Herausgegeben von Ulrich Volp, Friedrich W. Horn und Ruben Zimmermann Tübingen (2016), pp. 355-374 ,Die himmlische Liturgie (Apk. 4-5) in ihrem Kontext und die Interaktion mit der irdischen Liturgie "Poetik und Intertextualität in der Apokalypse', <i>Poetics and Intertextuality in the Book of Revelation</i>" (WUNT I; Mohr Siebeck; ed. by Tobias Nicklas, Stefan Alkier & Thomas Hieke). 437-457 Artemis and Thecla. The meeting of the ancient goddess with the Christian female apostolic saint in the first four centuries of Christianity (historical and comparative reflections). <i>International Academic Conference Proceedings Corinth 23-25, June 2014</i> 'The ΒΙΑΣΜΟΣ of the Kingdom of Heaven in Mt. 11, 12' (forthcoming) 'Philosophical Ethics and Christian Ethics' in A. Antonopoulos and S. Despotis, <i>Long Standing Principles of Eastern Orthodox Christian Theology</i>, engl. trans. by A. Antonopoulos (Patrai, GR.: Hellenic Open University Publications, 2015), pp. 157-230 'Gal 3:6-9.23-29: Orthodox Readings of the Relevant: Pauline Texts with Regard to the Debate between the Old and the New Perspectives. <i>Participation, Justification and Conversion Eastern Orthodox Interpretation of Paul and the Debate between Old and New Perspectives on Paul</i> (Hgg. A. Despotis, Bonn 2016), 150-167. Intertextual relationships between the Song of Songs and Revelation: the convergence of two "forbidden" texts. <i>The Song of Songs in Jewish and Christian Literature</i> (Hgg. S. Despotis - P. Stamatopoulos: Department of Social Theology and the Study of Religions 2019), 25-35.
EDITOR IN COLLECTIVE VOLUMES (SELECTION) <i>Diaconia, Leitourgia, Charisma</i>. Honorary tribute to prof. C. Galitis, Levidia: En Plo 2006 (in collaboration with Chr. Karakolis etc.) <i>Bulletin of Biblical Studies</i> 35 (2007). General subject of the issue: Jesus Christ and Modern Interpretation Methods <i>Ap. Paul and Corinth. 1950 Years since His Arrival. Proceedings of the First World Congress, Corinth 2007</i>. Athens: Psychogios 2009 (in collaboration with Chr. Karakolis, K. Belezos) <i>Orthodoxy in the 21st century: Meeting Perspectives between East and West</i>. Greek Open University, Patras: 2008 <i>Bulletin of Biblical Studies</i> 37 (2009). Tribute: St. Paul (in collaboration with Chr. Karakolis) Participation in the scientific-editorial Committee of the <i>SCIENTIFIC REVIEW OF POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMME "STUDIES IN ORTHODOX THEOLOGY"</i>, which is issued by the OPEN GREEK UNIVERSITY-FACULTY HUMANITIES STUDIES. ISSUED THREE VOLUMES Participation from 01/2014 at the <i>Scientific-Editorial Committee of the Journal "Theologia"</i> The Holocaust: Diachronic and Interdisciplinary Approaches, Proceedings of the International Conference (Athens, 3-5 October 2017), edited by S. Despotis and P. Stamatopoulos (forthcoming) S. Despotis and A. Kontali, 1950 years since the martyrdom of Apostle Paul – Proceedings of the Conference on the 1950 years since the Martyrdom of Paul (February 2017) in Pyrgos and Amaliada (2018), Athens: Department of Social Theology and the Study of Religions 2019. S. Despotis and P. Stamatopoulos, <i>The Song of Songs in Jewish and Christian Literature</i>: Athens, 19.10.2016, Dourouteio Centre. Athens: Department of Social Theology and the Study of Religions 2019. S. Despotis and K. Kefalea, <i>Conversing with the Apostle of Nations, Paul, and René Girard</i>. Athens: Department of Social Theology and the Study of Religions 2019.
CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/e.t.c. Co-organizer of the International Conference "The Holocaust: Diachronic and Interdisciplinary Approaches", 3-5 of October 2017, European Union National Institutes of Culture and various Cultural Departments of Embassies in Greece.

Organizer of Workshop-in cooperation with the Dean of the Theological School of Athens- dedicated to Albania Archbishop Messrs. Anastasios, on June 26, 2014. Topic: "The Expansion of Christian preaching in the black continent: From the Ethiopian official in the 21 st century".
Organizer of the reception (July 2013/July 2014) at the Theological Faculty of the University of Athens and introductory meeting with professors and students from the Eastern Pontifical Institute of Rome participating in the New Greek Language teaching program co-organized with not Apostolic Diakonia of the Church of Greece.
Participation at the 8 th Moral Meeting (Doxologische Ethik) in Mainz, Germany in November 2013. (H) 16-18.05.2013 took part in the filming of the Russian state cultural channel Культура (Culture) concerning the Footsteps of Apostle Paul in Athens.
Organizer of The International Colloquium Ioanneum, in collaboration with Prof. Dr. J. van der Watt, which was held in September 2013.
Organizer of Seminars, in cooperation with the University Clinic of Munich, which were held in May 2013 at Patmos. Topic: "The Revelation".
Organizer of the Conference -in cooperation with the Athens Archdiocese- which was successfully held on the 20 th of April 2013 at Douroutio Cultural Center. Topic: "God suffers." Speech: "The ekkentimenos Messiah of the Old and New Testament".
Co-organizer of the 1 st World Bible Conference in Greece, which was successfully held from 21-24 September 2007 in Corinth. Topic: "Ap. Paul and Corinth."

MEMBERSHIPS & REVIEWING ACTIVITIES

2001 - now	Member of the Greek Union of Biblical Theologians – Greece
2008 - now	Member of the SNTS (Studiorum Novi Testamenti Societas)
2009 - 2010	Member of EABS (European Association of Biblical Studies) –
2007 - 2011	Co-editor of the Biblical Studies Bulletin (Deltion Vivlikon Spoudon) - Greece
2014 - 2015	Member and co-editor of Theologia (Official Academic Journal of the Church of Greece) 2014-2015
2010 - now	Member and co-editor of the Scientific Review of the Postgraduate Program 'Studies in Orthodox Theology' at the Hellenic Open University – Greece

SCIENTIFIC ACHIEVEMENTS (2010-2022)**Organization of International Conferences as Chief Member / Organizer (selection)**

- International Conference of SNTS (Studiorum Novi Testamenti Societas). Chief member of the organizing committee for the Athens 2018 conference, with the participation of 500 members of SNTS: <http://www.theol.uoa.gr/proboli-ekdhlosewn/apo-to-73o-synedrio-ths-etaireias-studiorum-novi-testamenti-societas-sthn-a8ina.html>
- International Conference “The Holocaust: Diachronic and Interdisciplinary Approaches” (2017). In the context of the official celebrations since the founding of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (1837), and in collaboration with various embassies and cultural institutes, under the auspices of the European Union National Institutes for Culture (EUNIC). Chief member of the organizing committee: <http://shoah.soctheol.uoa.gr/>. Guests included renowned researchers on various aspects of the Holocaust and the history of antisemitism from the Hellenistic period to contemporary times (e.g. Universidad Complutense of Madrid, the Yad Vashem Institute of Israel, the Zentrum für Antisemitismusforschung – ZfA (Berlin), the Deputy Director of the Auschwitz-Birkenau State Museum, and others).
- Upcoming conference in 2020, in Brussels (Université Libre de Bruxelles) with the participation the European University Consortium CIVIS. As chief member of the organizing committee, the conference on “Religions in the European Union”, will focus on contemporary issues regarding the dynamics of religions in the context of the European Union. CIVIS members include: Aix-Marseille Université (France), National Kapodistrian University of Athens (Greece), Université libre de Bruxelles (Belgium), Universitatea din București (Romania), Universidad Autónoma de Madrid (Spain), Sapienza Università di Roma (Italy), Stockholm University (Sweden) and Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen (Germany).
- May 2013, in collaboration with the Ludwig-Maximilians-Universität München (Germany), I oversaw the organization of a seminar in Patmos on the Revelation of John.
- Athens, 2016. International Symposium on “The Song of Songs in Jewish and Christian Literature”.

Participation in International Conferences (selection)

- Conference of the European Association of Biblical Studies (2011 – Greece), presenting the paper: The Intimacy of Paul to the Thessalonians in 1Thess. 2: 7b-12.

Administrative Duties with an Academic Scope (selection)

- As President of the Faculty of Social Theology and the Study of Religion (National and Kapodistrian University of Athens), I oversaw and arranged the following Erasmus+ partnerships: Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen (Germany), Katholieke Universiteit Leuven (Belgium), Ruprecht-Karls-Universität Heidelberg (Germany), and Universitatea “Lucian Blaga” din Sibiu (Romania).
- As part of an initiative to invite acclaimed scholars at the Faculty of Social Theology and the Study of Religion (National and Kapodistrian University of Athens), in 2012, I organized the visit of Assist. Professor Erik Waaler of N.L.A. University College, Bergen, Norway (A. Jesus origin from Nazareth: A fulfillment of the prophets? B. What impact does Paul’s reuse of Shema in 1 Corinthians 8:6 make on the identity-formation among the Corinthian Christians?).

Participation in EU-funded activities and administrative projects (selection)

- EU expert (2017) in the field of Ethics and Research Integrity Sector (Horizon 2020).
- Scientific Representative (University of Athens) of the proposal “ACORDES – Actions for Cultural Openness and inter-Religious understanding in European Societies”, in collaboration with the World Council of Churches and other European Universities and Research Institutes (2017).
- Scientific advisor of the SKIVRE (Skills Development for the Valorisation of European Religious Heritage) Erasmus+ funded programme (2018).

Participation in projects for interreligious / intercultural collaboration and integration (selection)

1. The Eastern Orthodox Ecumenical Patriarch (Constantinople) Bartholomew I appointed me in 2018 as **President of the Patriarchal Institute of Orthodox Missionaries in the Far East**. 2. Rosa-Luxemburg-Stiftung, Goethe-Institut (Berlin and Athens), **Academic advisor for the film presentations on Judaism**,

Christianity, and Islam, at the University of Ioannina for young adults (15-18 years old). This ongoing programme ("Petit Plan: cinema for young adults"), organized by the postdoctoral researcher Dr. Panagiotis Stamatopoulos (whom I oversee academically), has received regular funding from various embassies and cultural institutes in Greece and abroad (2016 – now). It focuses on the development of educational material and film screenings in areas such as intercultural and interreligious collaboration, integration. Part of the EU-funded *Creative Europe Programme* "Eye on Films".

Ten high-impact monographs / papers (2010-2022), related to interreligious and intercultural aspects

- "Ἐρχεσθε καὶ ὁψεσθε (Joh 1, 35-39): Die ersten Worte Jesu im Johannesevangelium und die Formierung seines Jünger-Kreises. In „Novum Testamentum in Vetere latet, Vetus Testamentum in Novo patet". Sofia 11.-13.10.2018 International Conference of the Bibliotheca Biblica of Sofia.
- Am Anfang war die Hochzeit: Jesus erstes Zeichen im Johannesevangelium". Die biblischen Assoziationen der Hochzeit in Kana (Joh. 2:1-12) Orthodoxes Forum 26 (2012) 7-25. After invitation from Dr. van de Watt, it will be republished from The New Testament Society of South Africa.
- The Intimacy of Paul to the Thessalonians in 1Thess. 2: 7b-12. ΕΛΠΙΣ Redakcja czasopisma teologicznego 16 (2014) 99-111. (<https://www.cceol.com/search/article-detail?id=142808>).
- Doxologische Ethik im 1. Timotheusbrief. eine orthodoxe Perspektive Metapher – Narratio – Mimesis. In „Doxologie Begründungsformen frühchristlicher und antiker Ethik Kontexte und Normen neutestamentlicher Ethik" Band VII (Hgg. von U. Volp, Friedrich W. Horn und R. Zimmermann). Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2016. 355-374.
- Die himmlische Liturgie (Apk. 4-5) in ihrem Kontext und die Interaktion mit der irdischen Liturgie. In "Poetik und Intertextualität in der Apokalypse" (WUNT I; Mohr Siebeck; ed. by Tobias Nicklas, Stefan Alkier & Thomas Hieke). Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck, 2015. 437-457.
- Philosophical Ethics and Christian Ethics. In A. Antonopoulos and S. Despotis, Long Standing Principles of Eastern Orthodox Christian Theology, engl. trans. by A. Antonopoulos. Patrai: Hellenic Open University Publications, 2015. 157-230.
- Gal 3:6-9.23-29: Orthodox Readings of the Relevant Pauline Texts with Regard to the Debate between the Old and the New Perspectives. In "Participation, Justification and Conversion Eastern Orthodox Interpretation of Paul and the Debate between Old and New Perspectives on Paul (Hgg. A. Despotis)". Tübingen: Mohr Siebeck 2017. 181-205.
- with P. Stamatopoulos, Intertextuality between two "forbidden" holy books: Canticum and Revelation. In "The Song of Song in the Jewish and Christian Literature" Symposium in Greece, Athens, Dourouteio Centre 19-10-2016. Athens: Faculty of Social Theology 2019. 25-35.
- with P. Stamatopoulos, From the Maccabees to Early Christians: The witness as martyr. In "The Holocaust: Diachronic and Interdisciplinary Approaches", 2017 (see conferences, scheduled for publication).
- Didymus Thomas as a model of conversion after the conversion. In "Conference on Religious and Philosophical Conversion", Universität Bonn, 25-27 September 2018 (scheduled for publication).