

## **Health and Society:**

# **Private and Public Medical Traditions in Greece and the Balkans**

**(1453-1920)**

**Athens**

**8 - 10 December 2010**

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# **PROGRAMME**

**Wednesday, 8 December 2010**

**19:00**

Reception

for participants and invited guests only

**hosted by the**

British School at Athens, 52 Souedias st.

**Thursday, 9 December 2010**

**Venue**

History Museum of the University of Athens, 5 Tholou St., Plaka

**9:30-10:00**

Registration

**10:00-11:00**

## **First Panel: On Methodology**

Chair: Catherine Morgan (British School at Athens)

1. Andrew Wear (The Wellcome Centre for the History of Medicine, UCL, UK): "Some general structural aspects of the relationship between medicine and religion in the early modern period"
2. Marius Turda (Oxford Brookes University, UK): "Ancients and Moderns: The rise of social history of medicine in the Balkans"

**11:00 - 12:30**

## **Second Panel: Medicine and Charity**

Chair: George Antonakopoulos (Faculty of Medicine, University of Thessaly)

1. Nikoletta Giantsi, (Department of History, University of Athens): "Thomas Aquinas's perception of charity in the Greek lands in the 15th century"
2. Katerina Konstantinidou (Department of History, University of Athens): "Between soul and body: Hospital care in Venetian Corfu (17th-18th centuries)"
3. Constantinos Trompoukis (Faculty of Medicine, University of Crete): "Charities and health policy of the Greek Orthodox community in Constantinople (mid 18th-19th centuries)"

**12:30-14.30**

**Lunch**

**14.30 -16.00**

**Third Panel: Medicine and the Byzantine Legacy**

Chair: Andrew Wear (The Wellcome Centre for the History of Medicine, UCL, UK)

1. Mikel Nakuci (Institute of Dermatological Studies, Tirana, Albania): "History of Albanian medicine during the post-Byzantine period"
2. Dimitris Christodoulou (School of Medicine, University of Thessaloniki): "Modes of contamination and sanitary measures against the plague in the Eastern Mediterranean"
3. Agamemnon Tselikas (Historical and Palaeographic Archive of the Cultural Foundation of the National Bank of Greece): "Methodological issues on the study of Iatrosophical manuscripts"

**16:00-16:30**

**Coffee Break**

**16.30 – 18:00**

**Fourth Panel: Transfer of Medical Knowledge**

Chair: Paul Weindling (Oxford Brookes University, UK)

1. Octavian Buda (University of Medicine and Pharmacy 'Carol Davila', Bucharest, Romania): "Variolation from the Balkans - through the Danubian principalities - to Western Europe, 1678-1802"
2. Georgeta Nazarska (State University of Library Studies and IT, Sofia, Bulgaria): "The Balkan medical education and Bulgarian physicians: Transfer of Knowledge, 1840s-1920s"
3. Valentin-Veron Toma (Francisc Rainer Institute of Anthropology, Bucharest, Romania): "The migration of medical students from the Balkans to Paris in the 19th century. The case of Romania"

**19:00 Dinner**

(for workshop participants only)

## **Friday, 10 December 2010**

### **Venue**

History Museum of the University of Athens, 5 Tholou St., Plaka

**10:00 – 11:30**

### **Fifth Panel: Medicine and Institutionalisation**

Chair: Olga Katsiardi-Hering (Department of History, University of Athens)

1. George Antonakopoulos (Faculty of Medicine, University of Thessaly): “The role of the Greek Medical Council, 1834-1923”
2. Lydia Dracaki (Panteion University): “Food regulation in Greece: Doctors, police and municipal authorities as protectors of the food market of the city of Piraeus (1835-1914)”
3. Constantinos Maravelias (Museum of Criminology, School of Medicine, University of Athens): “Educating Health Professionals: The Role of the Athens Museum of Criminology, 1833-1920”

**11:30 – 13:30**

### **Sixth Panel: Women, Reproduction and Medicine**

Chair: Marius Turda (Oxford Brookes University, UK)

1. Gülhan Balsoy (Işık University, Istanbul, Turkey): “Agents of the state or agents of the local female networks? Midwives and the new science of midwifery in the nineteenth century Ottoman society”
2. Katerina Gardikas (Department of History, University of Athens): “Midwives in the early years of Greek statehood”
3. Kristina Popova (South-West University, Blagoevgrad, Bulgaria): “Working for the ill patient or working for a better society? The beginning of the public health nursing in Bulgaria”
4. Despina Karakatsani (University of the Peloponnese): “The art of creating beautiful children. Considerations on pro-genetic engineering and eugenics in the early 20th century”

**13:30 - 15:00**

**Lunch**

**15:00 – 16:30**

**Seventh Panel: Medicine and Confinement**

Chair: Octavian Buda (University of Medicine and Pharmacy 'Carol Davila', Bucharest, Romania)

1. Vangelis Karamanolakis (Department of History, University of Athens): "Attitudes to mental illness and treatment in turn-of-the-20th century Greece"
2. Despo Kritsotaki - Vasia Lekka (Department of History, University of Crete - Department of History, University of Athens): "Lay narratives of mental illness at the Dromokaiteion hospital, 1900-1920"
3. Vaso Theodorou, (University of Thrace): "Caring for TB patients in early 20th century Greece: The foundation and operation of Sotiria sanatorium (1905-1920)"

**16:30-17:00**

**Concluding Remarks**

Paul J. Weindling (Oxford Brookes University, UK): "Social history of medicine in context"

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