Homeland—diaspora relations in flux
Greece and Greeks abroad at times of crisis

Friday 22 and Saturday 23 June 2018
Nissan Lecture Theatre
St Antony’s College, University of Oxford
Convenors: Othon Anastasakis, Foteini Kalantzi and Manolis Pratsinakis

Programme

Friday 22 June
08:30-9:00 REGISTRATION

09:00-10.30 SESSION 1 – THE GREEK DIASPORA PROJECT AT SEESOX

- Political elites and diaspora politics in post-2009 Greece – Othon Anastasakis (SEESOX, University of Oxford) and Foteini Kalantzi (SEESOX, University of Oxford)
- Assessing the recent resurgence of emigration from Greece – Manolis Pratsinakis (SEESOX, University of Oxford)
- Diaspora Philanthropy: Opportunities and Constraints - Antonis Kamaras (SEESOX, University of Oxford)
- Diaspora engagement in a comparative perspective: Lessons learned from the Ukraine case- Irina Laphsyna (SEESOX, University of Oxford)

Chair: Kalypso Nicolaidis (SEESOX, University of Oxford)

10:30-11:15 KEYNOTE ADDRESS – tbc

11:15 – 11:30 COFFEE BREAK (Served in the lobby of the Hilda Besse Building)

11:30-13:00 SESSION 2 - DIASPORIC IDENTITIES AND CONSTRUCTIONS OF GREEKENESS

- Greek transnational citizenship - Yiorgos Anagnostou (The Ohio State University)
- The ‘unbearable’ legacy of Greekness: Destabilising Greek and migrant youth categories - Anastasia Christou (Middlesex University)
- Castellorizo and its diaspora in Australia: Traumatic memories and divergent identities - Vassiliki Chryssanthopoulou (National and Kapodistrian University of Athens)

Chair: Dace Dzenovska (University of Oxford)

13:00 – 14:00 BREAK FOR LUNCH
**SESSION 3 - DIASPORIC INSTITUTIONS AND THE THIRD SECTOR**

- **Failed institution: The World Council of Hellenes Abroad (SAE) since 2008** - Marina Frangos (University of the Aegean)

- **Diaspora philanthropy and volunteerism as a contestable process: Tracing the connections and disconnections between diaspora and homeland** – Antonis Kamaras (SEESOX, University of Oxford) and Marilena Anastasopoulou (SEESOX, University of Oxford)

- **Teaching Greek within the community framework as a factor of social, cultural and economic interactions: the case of Marseilles from 1971** - Ioanna Mousikoudis (University of Aix-Marseille)

Chair: tbc

**SESSION 4 – DIASPORA AND CHURCH**

- **The Ecumenical Patriarchate as a diaspora actor: Between the end of the Cold War and the Greek economic crisis** - Ioannis N. Grigoriadis (Bilkent University)

- **Homeland’s everlasting crisis: The Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America and Greece in historical perspective** - Athanasios Grammenos (Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom, Athens)

- **The Greek American church, the community & Greece: The state of play in the early 21st century** - Alexander Kitroeff (Haverford College)

- **Intra-European mobility, emigration, and new dynamics within Greek-Orthodox Religioscapes** – Georgios E. Trantas (University of Erfurt)

Chair: Renee Hirschon (SEESOX, University of Oxford)

**COFFEE BREAK** (Served in the lobby of the Hilda Besse Building)

**SESSION 5 - NEW MEDIA AND THEGREEK DIASPORA**

- **From diasporic communities to transnational networks of practice: Social media use transforming the experience of place and diaspora** – Ioanna Doutsou (Athena Research and Innovation Center)

- **“It’s all Greek to me”: The impact of mass media on contested immigrant identity** - George Topalidis (University of Florida)

- **“Are they really Greek?” Reports on the interaction between new and old migrants through blogging** - Maria Palaktsoglou (Flinders University)

Chair: Lamprini Rori (Exeter University)

**FILM** By Nikos Stampoulopoulos (New Diaspora)
Saturday 23 June

9:00 – 10:30  **SESSION 6 – DIASTORA AND ECONOMY**

- From popular markets, to family entrepreneurship, to Russian products stores: An horizontal economy of the "poor" as survival strategies of the repatriates of the ex-USSR, from mid-1980's until nowadays - Dimitris Kataiftsis (University Paris IV-Sorbonne) and Anastasios Grigorakis (University of Macedonia)
- The new Greek emigration and the remittances sending patterns in the crisis period - Aymeric Faure (London School of Economics)
- “Migrants mean remittances!” Perhaps not anymore! - Sokratis Koniordos (University of Crete)
- Pensions and the Greek diaspora: International portability as a lifecycle bridge - Platon Tinios (Piraeus University)

Chair: tbc

10:30-11:15  **KEYNOTE ADDRESS: Policies on brain-drain in Greece** - Lois Labrianidis (University of Macedonia)

11:15 -11:30  **COFFEE BREAK** (Served in the lobby of the Hilda Besse Building)

11:30-13:00  **SESSION 7 - NEW DIASTORA AND BRAIN-DRAIN**

- Student migration from Greece to the UK: Contexts, decision-making, experiences and plans - Vasiliki Toumanidou (University of Leeds)
- Measures and policies intended to reduce the Greek brain drain – Anthi Koskina (College IdEF / Université Paris XIII)
- Greek diaspora interactions between Gastarbeiter and neo-immigrants in Germany - Eleni Tseligka (Staffordshire University)

Chair: Franck Duvell (University of Oxford)

13:00-14:00  **BREAK FOR LUNCH**

14:00-15:30  **SESSION 8 – DIASTORA ENGAGEMENT**

- The Greek diaspora in Australia: Decoupling identity and obligation towards the homeland - Elizabeth Mavroudi (Loughborough University)
- Engaging the Greek-Australian diaspora: The potential to advance Greece’s relations with the Asia-Pacific region - Andonis Piperoglou (Australian Catholic University)
- Greek diaspora in Poland: Public relations of the economy - Olimpia Dragouni (Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin)
• *Surveying the Greek Diaspora in the UK: preliminary findings* – Anastasia Kafe (Panteion University)

Chair: Katerina Lagos (California State University, Sacramento)

15:30-17:00 **DIASPORA INITIATIVES: WHAT IS TO BE DONE?**

Nikolaos Theodorakis (BrainGain), Effi Kyrtata (Reload), Nikos Stampoulopoulos (New Diaspora), Lois Labrianidis (Knowledge Bridges), Manolis Pratsinakis & Kalypso Nicolaidis (SEESOX, University of Oxford)

Chair: Othon Anastasakis (SEESOX, University of Oxford)