

Dr. Despoina Ariantzi

Curriculum Vitae

1. Education

2005-2009 PhD. in Byzantine Studies with distinction, Department of Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies, University of Vienna, Thesis: Aspekte der Kindheit in Byzanz vom 6. bis zum 11. Jahrhundert im Spiegel hagiographischer Quellen (Supervisor: Johannes Koder)

1997-2001 M.A. in Byzantine Studies with distinction, Interdepartmental Postgraduate Program in Medieval Studies, School of Philosophy – University of Ioannina, thesis entitled "The „Augusta“ in the De Cerimoniis aulae Byzantine" (Supervisor Taxiarches Kolias)

03.-06.1999 Erasmus Program, University of Vienna, Institute of Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies

1993-1997 Diploma in History, Department for History and Archaeology - University of Ioannina

2. Professional appointments:

2016-2019: Research associate (full time), Department for Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies, University of Vienna, FWF-Project: Marginalization and subculture groups: Prostitutes, actors, and tavern-keepers in Byzantium (6th to 12th centuries)

2015-2016: Project leader (full time) of the Project "For the sake of salvation and happiness in life. Studies of Byzantine pilgrimage and its origins" at the Research Institute of Roman-Germanic Central Museum in Mainz (funded by the Leibniz Association)

2014 – 2015: Participation by Editing of the Book: Byzanz. Historisch –kulturwissenschaftliches Handbuch (Der Neue Pauly - Supplemente 11)

2011 – 2014: Research associate (full time), Department for Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies, University of Vienna, FWF-Project: Coming of Age, Leaving the Nest: Models of Adolescence in Byzantium (6th to 11th century) (Project director Prof. Johannes Koder)

2010 Visiting Lecturer (full time), Department for History and Archaeology – University of Cyprus-Nicosia

2002-2008: Research associate (part time) in the project „Lexikon zur byzantinischen Gräzität“ at the Austrian Academy of Sciences

2007-2008: Research associate (part time) in the project „Sigillography“ at the Austrian Academy of Sciences

09.2000–04.2001: Research associate (part time) at the Austrian National Library

01.1999-02.1999: Research associate (part time) in the project in the Archive of the Metropolitan Church of Ioannina

3. Research Grants, Scholarships, Memberships

2016-2019 Research Grand for Byzantine History, Austrian Science Fund (co-author of the research proposal together with Prof. Ewald Kislinger)

2011-2014: Research Grant for Byzantine History, Austrian Science Fund (co-author of the research proposal together with Prof. Johannes Koder)

2000-2001: Scholarship of the European Programme „Leonardo da Vinci“: study of the Patriarchal chancellery documents extant in the Cod. Vind. Hist. Gr. 47 in the collection of the Austrian National Library

1998-1999: M.A. Scholarship of the Interdepartmental Postgraduate Program in Medieval Studies, School of Philosophy - University of Ioannina

Member of the Austrian Byzantine Society

Member of the German Byzantine Society

Member of the Greek Byzantine Society

4. Teaching

2015: Lecturer in Byzantine History (Spring Semester 2015), Department of Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies, University of Vienna

Undergraduate Course: Stage of life in Byzantium

2010-2011: Visitor Lecturer (full time), Department for History and Archaeology – University of Cyprus-Nicosia

Undergraduate Courses: 1.Introduction into Byzantine History: Spring Semester 2009-2010;

2.Byzantine Monasticism and Society: Fall Semester 2010-2011

Undergraduate Seminar: Child and Family in Byzantium: Spring Semester 2009-2010

Graduate Seminar: State and Society

07.2000-08.2000: Instruction of Greek language at the Centre for Greek Language and Culture at the University of Ioannina (Director: Univ. Prof. Dr. G. Giannakes).

1998-1999 Tutorial: “How to write an essay on Byzantine history”, Department of History and Archaeology - University of Ioannina.

5. Organisation of conferences and Management

Coordination of the Project “For the sake of salvation and happiness. Studies of Byzantine pilgrimage and its origins”, at the Research Institute of Roman-Germanic Central Museum in Mainz (funded by the Leibniz Association). Mainz 2015-2016

Organisation and administration of the International symposium “For the sake of salvation and happiness. Byzantine pilgrimage and its Origins”, Mainz, 1-4 December 201

Organisation and administration of the International symposium “Coming of Age – Adolescence and Society in Medieval Byzantium”, Vienna, 3-4 February 2014

6. Support of Database

Byzantine Pilgrimage: Bibliographic Database

The bibliographic database was compiled in correlation with the research project *[For the sake of salvation and happiness in life: Studies on Byzantine pilgrimage and its origins](#)* funded by the [Leibniz Association](#) from 2013-2016 at the RGZM. The head of the project Dr. Despoina Ariantzi is taking care of the academic supervision. Recorded are over 1100 titles compiled by the project members and supplemented by Annika Post under supervision of Despoina Ariantzi. The bibliography will not be updated systematically after the end of the project. But it is intended to supplement important Subbibliographic data made known to us regularly.

<http://www3.rgzm.de/pilgrimage.bibliography>.

