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Education

Ph.D. – Hull University, UK, 1992
M.A. – Lancaster University, UK, 1989
B.A. – Aristotelio University of Salonica, Greece, 1988.

Work Experience

<i>Dates:</i>	Oct. 2015 onwards
<i>Occupation of position held:</i>	Professor
<i>Areas of teaching and research:</i>	Modern History, International Relations
<i>Name of institution:</i>	University of the Aegean

<i>Dates:</i>	Sept. 2008 onwards
<i>Occupation of position held:</i>	Research Assistant
<i>Areas of teaching and research:</i>	Greek and European Modern History
<i>Name of institution:</i>	Hellenic Open University

Teaching

- *Undergraduate level*

Modern European History
Greece and the Mediterranean in the 20th century
History of International Relations

- *Postgraduate level*

Strategy and Diplomacy in the Eastern Mediterranean (in English)
Modern History of the Mediterranean (in English)

- *Teaching through the Erasmus Programme*

- a. Mannheim University, Germany, May 2008 on the EE and the World
- b. Padova University, Italy, April 2012, on the European Crisis after 2008.

- *Teaching in International Summer School MediSec 2012, Rhodes 30 July - 6 Aug. 2012, "Mediterranean Security: Old Conflicts and New Challenges". Contribution entitled «The Arab-Israeli Conflict: Problems and Prospects for Peace».*

- *Director of two e-learning programmes on Greek and European History*

Expertise on

- Modern Mediterranean and Middle East history and politics
- Cold War in the Mediterranean
- Social movements, religion, migration in the Mediterranean
- The role of the Great Powers in the Mediterranean and the Middle East since the 19th century with an emphasis on colonialism, imperialism and the movement of anticolonialism after World War II.
- Historical discourses and troubled historical legacies. The Mediterranean and its traumatic past (especially in the 20th century - rise of fascism, World War II, civil wars, Arab nationalism).

Research Projects

- From 2009 to 2013 I was an evaluator of the Thales Programme (2007-2013), co-financed by the EU and Greek national funds through the Operational Program "Education and Lifelong Learning" of the National Strategic Reference Framework. I have peer-reviewed several proposals for funding.

<http://excellence.minedu.gov.gr/thales/en>

- Since 2010 I have been an expert at the EMUNI University (the Euro-Mediterranean University) supervising the progress of the ENPI PROJECT as one of the most important projects encouraging cooperation in higher education and contributing to the establishment of the Euro-Mediterranean Higher Education, Science and Research Area.
- Partner in INTERREG II named Gaia (history) 2000-3.
http://www.interact-eu.net/interreg_ii/interreg_ii/347/5752
- Partner in Pythagoras II Funding of research groups in the Universities, entitled "Greek-Egypt antiquity. Historical and Archaeological study with the aid of natural sciences", 2003-5.
- Thales (ESPA), "From World War II to the Cold War. International Relations and Domestic Developments", 2012-15.
<http://excellence.minedu.gov.gr/thales/en/thalesprojects/380436>

Administrative Responsibilities

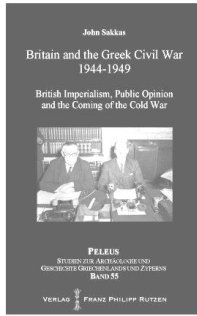
- EU Expert proposal evaluator and project reviewer
- Head of the Post-graduate Program of the Department of Mediterranean Studies, University of the Aegean, "Government, Development and Security in the Mediterranean", Jan. 2015 -
- Coordinator of the Erasmus Program in the School of Humanities in Rhodes (2010-13).
- Expert of the EMUNI University (Euro-Mediterranean University, Slovenia) in developing the projects achieved by the University.

Selected Publications

Books

In English

Britain and the Greek Civil War, 1944-49. British Imperialism, Public Opinion and the Coming of the Cold War (Germany, Verlag, 2013)



In Greek

Greece, the Cyprus Issue and the Arab World. The Cold War in the Eastern Mediterranean, 1947-74 (2012)



The Palestine Question. Part A: Zionism, the Arabs and the International Factor, 1882-1948 (2005)



The Arabs in the Modern and Contemporary Era. History and Society (2002)



The EAM Resistance, 1941-1944. A Critical Appraisal (1998)



Scholarly Articles (in English)

- «Old Interpretations and New Approaches in the Historiography of the Greek Civil War», *Thetis*¹, vol. 20, 2013, 425-39.
- with Natalia Zhukova, «The Soviet Union, Turkey and the Cyprus Problem, 1967-74», *Les Cahiers Irice* (Paris), no. 10, 2013, pp. 123-135.
- «Greece in a changing Europe», *Balkan Studies* 46 (2012), pp. 27-38.
- “Greece and the Mass Exodus of the Egyptian Greeks, 1956-66”, *Journal of the Hellenic Diaspora*, 35.2 (2009), pp. 101-17.
- “The Western Alliance and the Middle East in the early 1970s’, *Études Helléniques/Hellenic Studies*, 14, no.1 (2006): 75-86.
- “The Greek Question in Britain during the 1944 December Events”, *Mésogeios*, 27 (2005), pp. 68-81.
- “The Greek dictatorship, the USA and the Arabs, 1967-74’, *Journal of Southern Europe and the Balkans*, 9, no.3 (2004): 245-57.
- “The Experience of the Civil War (1946-49) in a Greek Village’, *Thetis* (Germany) 9 (2002), σ. 187-95.
- “The League for Democracy in Greece and the Greek civil war, 1946-49”, *Thetis* 3 (1996), σ. 243-54.
- “Greece, the Cold War and the British Labour Movement”, *Thetis* 1 (1994), σ. 105-15.

Book Chapters

- «Conflict and Détente in the Eastern Mediterranean: From the Yom Kippur War to the Cyprus Crisis, Oct. 1973 – April 1974». In Elena Calandri, Daniele Caviglia, Antonio Varsori (eds.), *Détente in Cold War Europe. Politics and Diplomacy in the Mediterranean and the Middle East* (London: I. B. Tauris, Dec. 2012), pp. 141-54.
- «Reconciling Political Identity and Atlantic Partnership. Europe and the Middle East Crisis of 1973-4». In Giles Scott-Smith & Valerie Aubourg (eds.), *Atlantic, Euratlantic, or Europe-America? The Atlantic Community and the European Idea from Kennedy to Nixon*, *Soleb*, 2011, pp. 506-525.
- “Anglo-American Relations and the Palestine Question, 1945-48”. In Victor Mauer and David Moeckli (eds.), *European-American Relations and the Middle East, From Suez to Iraq*, London, Routledge, 2011, pp. 47-61.
- “The first casualty of a socialist foreign policy? Greece and Britain in the 1940s”. In K. Morgan, D. Howell, and Dianne Kirby (eds.), *John Saville: Commitment and History. Themes from the Life and Work of a socialist historian*, London, Lawrence and Wishart, 2011, pp. 73-90.

¹ *Journal issued in Germany (University of Mannheim)*

- “Muhammad Ali of Egypt, the Ottomans and the Greek War of Independence” in M. Efthymiou (ed.), *La Société Grecque sous la Domination Ottomane*, Mesogeios, Athens and Paris, Hêrodotos (2010), pp.325-41.
- “The Civil War in Evrytania”, in Mark Mazower (ed.), *After the War was Over: Reconstructing the Family, Nation, and State in Greece, 1943-1960* (Princeton, Princeton University Press 2000), pp. 184-209.
- “Political Science”, in Stratos Constantinides (ed.), *Greece in Modern Times: An Annotated Bibliography of Works Published in English from 1900 to 1995* (Maryland, Scarecrow Press 2000), pp. 475-503.