



THE UNIVERSITY *of* EDINBURGH

12th A. G. Leventis Conference in Hellenic Studies

Thursday 18 November–Saturday 20 November 2021

The Greek Revolution of 1821

Contexts, Scottish Connections, the Classical Tradition

in connection with the exhibition



*All events related to the conference will take place in the Playfair Library,
Old College, Edinburgh EH8 9YL, unless otherwise noted*

THURSDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2021

Official opening & keynote lecture

16.30	Tea/coffee and registration
17.00	Opening of the 12 th A. G. Leventis Conference in Hellenic Studies
17.30	Keynote lecture Roderick Beaton FBA (King's College London & The University of Edinburgh) Chair: Lucy Grig (The University of Edinburgh)
18.30	Reception

FRIDAY 19 NOVEMBER

9.00	Coffee/tea and registration
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Scottish connections, I

Chair: Constanze Güthenke (University of Oxford)

9.15	Thomas Ahnert (The University of Edinburgh), 'Transforming Logic: Greek philosophy and the "experimental method" in the Scottish Enlightenment'
10.00	Alexia Petsalis-Diomidis (University of St Andrews), 'Through "the eye of an experienced traveller": Robert Wilson (1787–1871) in Ottoman and revolutionary Greece'
10.45	Vassiliki Kolocotroni (University of Glasgow), '"What an awakening of dry bones!" Greek campaigns and Scottish believers'
11.30	Coffee/tea

Contexts, I

Chair: Gonda Van Steen (King's College London)

12.00	Richard Clogg (University of Oxford), '"Unspoken assumptions": prophecies and rumours in the age of Greek independence'
12.45	Lucien Frary (Rider University), 'Russia's Byzantine heritage: sixteenth-century realities and nineteenth-century dreams'
13.30	Lunch

Contexts, II

Chair: Lucien Frary (Rider University)

15.00	Sanja Perović (King's College London), 'Translating the French Revolution: people, commitments, texts, methods'
15.45	*Simos Zenios (University of California, Los Angeles), 'Popular sovereignty and revolutionary spectacle in Adamantios Korais' <i>Asma Polemistirion</i> '
17.00	*Christine Philiou (University of California, Berkeley), 'Whose laws? Whose politics? Questioning the Ottoman context on the eve of 1821'
17.45	Tea/coffee

SATURDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2021

9.00 Coffee/tea and registration

Scottish connections, II

Chair: Roderick Beaton (King's College London & The University of Edinburgh)

- 9.15 Alasdair Grant (The University of Edinburgh & Universität Hamburg),
'Thomas Gordon of Cairness and Buthlaw (1788–1841): soldier, philhellene, historian'
- 10.00 Niels Gaul (The University of Edinburgh), 'Byzantine paratexts of Revolution:
Fom Finlay to Zambelios (and Paparrigopoulos)'

10.45 Coffee/tea

Scottish connections, III

Chair: Thomas Ahnert (The University of Edinburgh)

- 11.15 Iain Gordon Brown FSA FRSE (National Library of Scotland), "'A faithless truant to the
classic page": Sir Walter Scott, Greek, Greece and the Greeks'
- 12.00 Matteo Zaccarini (Università di Bologna), "'Finer than the acropolis": Edinburgh, the
Parthenon and the Scottish *genius*'

12.45 Lunch

The classical tradition

Chair: Douglas Cairns (The University of Edinburgh)

- 14.15 Constanze Güthenke (University of Oxford), 'The Greek Revolution
and classical knowledge in America'
- 15.00 Gonda Van Steen (King's College London), 'The pronunciation of Greek:
a protracted revolutionary debate'
- 15.45 Yannis Hamilakis (Brown University), 'White marbles, white nation?
Antiquities, race and coloniality in the Greek War of Independence'

16.30 Tea/coffee

Closing session

Chair: Niels Gaul (The University of Edinburgh)

- 17.00 *Keynote lecture: Paschalis Kitromilides (Academy of Athens)
- 18.00 Closing remarks and closing of the conference

18.15 Concluding reception

Remote presentations are marked with an asterisk ()*