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12th A. G. Leventis Conference
Thursday 18 November–Saturday 20 November 2021

The Greek Revolution of 1821
Contexts, Scottish Connections, the Classical Tradition

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The 12th A. G. Leventis Conference takes place in the Playfair Library,
Old College, South Bridge, Edinburgh EH8 9YL

THURSDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2021

16.30   Coffee

17:00   Opening of the 12th A. G. Leventis Conference

Professor Peter Mathieson, *Principal & Vice-Chancellor, The University of Edinburgh*
Professor Douglas Cairns, *Professor of Classics, The University of Edinburgh*
Mr George A. David, *Trustee, The A. G. Leventis Foundation*
HE Mr Matthew Lodge, *HM Ambassador to the Hellenic Republic*
Mr Christos Goulas, *Consul, Embassy of Greece in London*
Dr Lucy Grig, *Head of Classics, The University of Edinburgh*

Opening keynote lecture
Chair Dr Lucy Grig

17.40   Professor Roderick Beaton FBA FKC (King's College London &
            The University of Edinburgh),
'The Greek Revolution of 1821: Contexts, Scottish connections, the classical tradition'

18:45   Reception

FRIDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2021

9.00	Registration and Coffee

Scottish connections, I
Chair Constanze Güthenke (University of Oxford)

9.15	Thomas Ahnert (The University of Edinburgh), 'Paganism, philosophy and civil religion in the thought of William Robertson'
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

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	*Christine Philliou (University of California, Berkeley), 'Whose laws? Whose politics? Questioning the Ottoman context on the eve of 1821'
16.30	*Simos Zenios (University of California, Los Angeles), 'Popular sovereignty and revolutionary spectacle in Adamantios Korais' *Asma Polemistirion*'
17.15	Tea

Remote presentations are marked with an asterisk (*)

SATURDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2021

9.00	Registration and Coffee

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

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 FBA FRSE (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

Closing keynote lecture
Chair Niels Gaul (The University of Edinburgh)

17.00	*Paschalis Kitromilides (Academy of Athens)
18.00	Closing remarks and closing of conference
18.15	Reception

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