



## Online workshop

### US politics and transatlantic relations after the 2020 elections

organized by  
the Department of Political Sciences (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)  
and  
the Department of Political Science (University Of Alabama)

**19-20 May 2021**

#### Program

**Day 1. 19 May 2021. 10.00 CDT (Tuscaloosa) and 18.00 EET (Thessaloniki)**

#### **US politics after Trump**

18.00-18.10 Welcome by university authorities, organizers, and introduction to the objectives of the workshop

#### **18.10 – 19.20 Session 1: Analysis and lessons from the electoral results**

Chair: Theodore Chadipantelis (professor, AUTh). Duration 70' (speakers 7-10')

- George Hawley (associate professor, UoA): *The current state of polarization and negative partisanship in politics*
- Ioannis Andreadis (professor, AUTh): *The U.S. voter vis-a-vis the Greek voter: Similarities and Differences*
- Rich Fording (professor, UoA): *The U.S. Extreme Right*
- Ioanna Kostarella (assistant professor, AUTh): *Misinformation, echo chambers and political polarization*

19.20-19.30. Break

#### **19.30-20.25 Session 2: Long-term issues in US politics**

Chair Joe Smith. Duration 55'. Speakers 7'

- Regina Wagner (assistant professor, UoA): *Bipartisanship in the System*
- Ioannis Papageorgiou (associate professor, AUTh): *Is the US political system becoming more European?*
- Steve Borrelli (professor, UoA): *The Role of Political Elites*

- Joe Smith (associate professor, UoA): *The U.S. Constitution - an obstacle to governance?*
- Yannis Stavrakakis (professor, AUTH): *American Populism(s): Then and Now*

**Day 2. 20 May 2021. 10.00 CDT (Tuscaloosa) and 18.00 EET (Thessaloniki)**

## **US, Greece and the EU in the Biden era**

### **18.00-19.10 Session 3: US-Greek relations in the Biden era**

Chair Eftychia Teperoglou (assistant professor, AUTH).. Duration 70'. Speakers 8-10'

- Ioannis Stefanidis (professor, AUTH): *Greek-American Relations: pointers from the Past*
- Theodoros Bizakis (Minister Counselor-Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Greece to the U.S.A.): *Greek-US Relations: Salient issues for the Greek government*
- David Burger, (Deputy Chief of Mission, US Embassy, Athens) *US- Greek Relations: Salient Issues for the US government*
- Harris Mylonas (associate professor, Elliot School of International Affairs, GWU): *A Commentary on the US-Greek relations*
- Daniel Levine (associate professor, UoA): *Conclusions/analysis*

19.10-19.20 Break

### **19.20-20.15 Session 4: US and Europe in the Biden era**

Chair Joe Smith. Duration 55', Speakers 7'

- Petros Vamvakas (associate professor, Emmanuel College, Boston): *Reviving multilateralism?*
- Grigoris Zarotiadis (associate professor, AUTH): *Europe in the new bipolarism*
- George Andreou (assistant professor, AUTH): *Euro-Atlantic relations and the future of the EU*
- Waleed Hazbun (professor, UoA): *Will the US Pivot from the Middle East into a New Cold War?*

20.15 Conclusions. Closing of the workshop