Stavroula Michael

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Education

BA Architecture

University of Brighton, Brighton, UK 2009 – 2012

Subjects include: Architectural Practices, Architectural Design, History and Theory of Spatial Design, Architectural Technology and chosen subject of interest, Film and Video as Art

MA Linguistics and Intercultural Communication specializing in International Relations

Yerevan State Linguistic University named after V. Bryusov, Yerevan, Armenia 2012-2014

Subjects include: International Relations, Post-Soviet Transformation, Foreign Policy of the Republic Armenia, Macroeconomics, Sociology, The West and Islamic World, Global Issues, English as a professional language, International Organizations and State-building, Foreign Policy of the Republic of Turkey, Foreign Policy of the US, China in the process of creation New World Order, International Conflicts and Nationalism, European Identities, European Integration, Conflict Resolution and Negotiations, International Law, History of European Political Thoughts, Mathematics for Politicians

PhD Candidate in Architectural History and Theory

University of Cyprus 2015 – present

Subjects include: Political sociology, Advanced Topics in Architectural Theory and History, Theories of Architecture, Research Methodologies, Art and Architecture Synergies in the Public Sphere, Critical History of Ecology, PhD research Phd Thesis Title: "Water of Peace: Water Politics and Landscape Development in Postcolonial Cyprus"

Professional Experience

Special Scientist/Researcher

MesArch research Laboratory, Department of Architecture, University of Cyprus Nicosia, Cyprus *Jul 2019 – Apr 2020*

Conducting archival and literary research for the project "Landscapes of Leisure and Politics: The Architectural History of Tourism and Conflict in Cyprus"

Adjunct Faculty Member/Special Teaching Personnel

Department of Architecture, University of Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus Sept 2018 – present

Teaching the module *ARH 310: History and Theory of Contemporary Architecture* to third year Architecture students. Scored an average of 4.8/5 on the students' evaluation sheet.

The syllabus was prepared in a effort to combine various non-conventional teaching methods and promote critical thinking in the way we learn, discuss and analyse architectural history and theory. This includes lectures, in-class exercises, 2 guest lectures by artists/architects approaching architecture in an alternative yet critical ways, site visits, movie screenings and presentations and discussions directed by students themselves in order to encourage collective knowledge production.

Editor/Translator/Proof-reader

Freelance, Nicosia, Cyprus Sept 2014 – present

Registered Sworn Translator

Proof reading, editing and translating articles and other material intended for publication for individual PhD candidates, academics and university lecturers, including many journal articles and architecture book:

Stratis, S. (editor), "Guide to Common Urban Imaginaries in Contested Spaces: The Hands-on Famagusta project", jovis, Berlin, 2016

Teaching and Research Assistant

Department of Architecture, University of Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus Sept 2015 – present

Member of the Final Year Exhibition Organising Committee

Providing administrative, teaching and research assistance to Associate Professor Panayiota Pyla (past), Associate Professor Christos Hadjichristos (past) and Associate Professor Socrates Stratis (past) for modules ARH 210 Architecture and Society, ARH 211 History and Theory of Architecture, ARH 511/412 Critical History of Architecture and Ecology, ARH 241 Theory of Urban Design, ARH 519 Advanced Theory of Architecture

Researcher

Promitheas Research Institute, Nicosia, Cyprus Nov 2016 – present

Conducting research intended for a book publication including interviews, literature review and data analysis on the issues of Small-Place Communisms in Cyprus and the History of the Cypriot Left, with a focus on the critical decades of the 1940s-50s.

Aiding the organisation of "The critical decades of 1940-1950: The evolution and formation of the relations between the two communities" conference, 09-10/09/2016 organized by Promitheas Research Institute and University of Cyprus, in Nicosia Cyprus.

Proofreading edited volume.

Participating in the Nicosia Book Festival, coordinated by Promitheas Research Institute since 2017.

Conducting research for and participating as a researcher and trainer in the international Erasmus+ Program "Advocacy for Gender Equality and Active Citizenship".

Visiting critic (unpaid)

Department of Architecture, University of Cyprus Nicosia, Cyprus *Sept 2015 – present*

Guest critic to undergraduate and postgraduate modules such as *History and Theory, Critical History of Ecology* and Design Studios.

Member of supervising committee for final year diploma thesis "Sailing towards Primitivism" by Michalis Psaras.

Research Interests

Critical History and Theory of Architecture, Modernisation, Modernism, Developmental History and Theory, History and Theory of Science and Technology, Conflict theory, Political Ecology, Water Infrastructures, Postcolonial History and Theory

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Awards	Kalaydjian Foundation Scholarship for Armenian Cypriot Masters Students in Yerevan 2012-14
	University of Cyprus scholarship for PhD students 2018-19
Memberships	Member of the Eastern Mediterranean Architectural Historians' Network (EAHN) Member of the Cyprus-Cuba Friendship Association
Publications	"Local Communisms: Bastions, Red spots and Little Moscows in Cyprus" Book Chapter co-authored with Yiannos Katsourides in: Katsourides, Yiannos (ed). 2021. The Cypriot Left Popular Movement: Legacies of the past (Routledge Studies in Radical History and Politics), Routledge: London. "Water of Peace": Contested Waterscapes and Landscapes of Postcolonial Cyprus", abstract accepted in peer-reviewed journal Architectural Histories.
Conference papers (peer-reviewed)	"Water of Peace": Contested Waterscapes and Landscapes", paper presented at the EAHN 2017 Thematic Conference "Histories in Conflict: Cities, Buildings, Landscapes", in session "II. Geo-politics", which took place on June 13-15, 2017 at the Van Leer Institute, Jerusalem, Israel. "Traversing continents, appropriating localities: A look at British colonial engineering expertise through the case of Cyprus (1898-1962)", co-authored with Serkan Karas; paper accepted for session "1-C: Travelling Technologies" of the "8th Tensions of Europe Conference: Borders and Technology" to take place on September 7-10, 2017 at the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece.
Attended Conferences and Workshops	22/01/2020: How to write a PhD proposal by Olga Touloumi at the University of Cyprus 17/01/2020: Alternative approaches to Syllabus preparation in Architectural History by Olga Touloumi at the University of Cyprus 05/06/18: Workshop on Landscapes of Leisure: "Architectural Histories of Tourism and Development" 05-07/09/17: "Tensions of Europe" Young Researchers" Summer school Athens, at the National Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece. 13-15/06/17: EAHN 2017 Thematic Conference "Histories in Conflict: Cities, Buildings, Landscapes", at the Van Leer Institute, Jerusalem, Israel. 27-28/10/2016: "Interdisciplinary Workshop on Water, Technology and the Nation-State", Manchester University, UK. 09-10/09/2016: "The critical decades of 1940-1950: The evolution and formation of the relations between the two communities" organized by Promitheas Research Institute and University of Cyprus, in Nicosia Cyprus. 16/11/2014: Participation in the Urban Gorillas workshop "Picole Utopie" held at the University of Nicosia, Cyprus. 21/6/2013: "RSC Special Presentation & Discussion: Assessing the Recent Unrest In Turkey & Implications For The South Caucasus", at the Regional Studies Centre, Yerevan, Armenia. 25/11/2013: "Advancing the Prospects for Peace: 20 years of civil peace- building in the context of the Nagorno Karabakh conflict" organized by RSC, at the Regional Studies Centre, Yerevan, Armenia. 26/11/2013: "NATO as a Modern Model of Security: NATO-Armenia relations" organized by ACRGC and NATO representatives in Armenia