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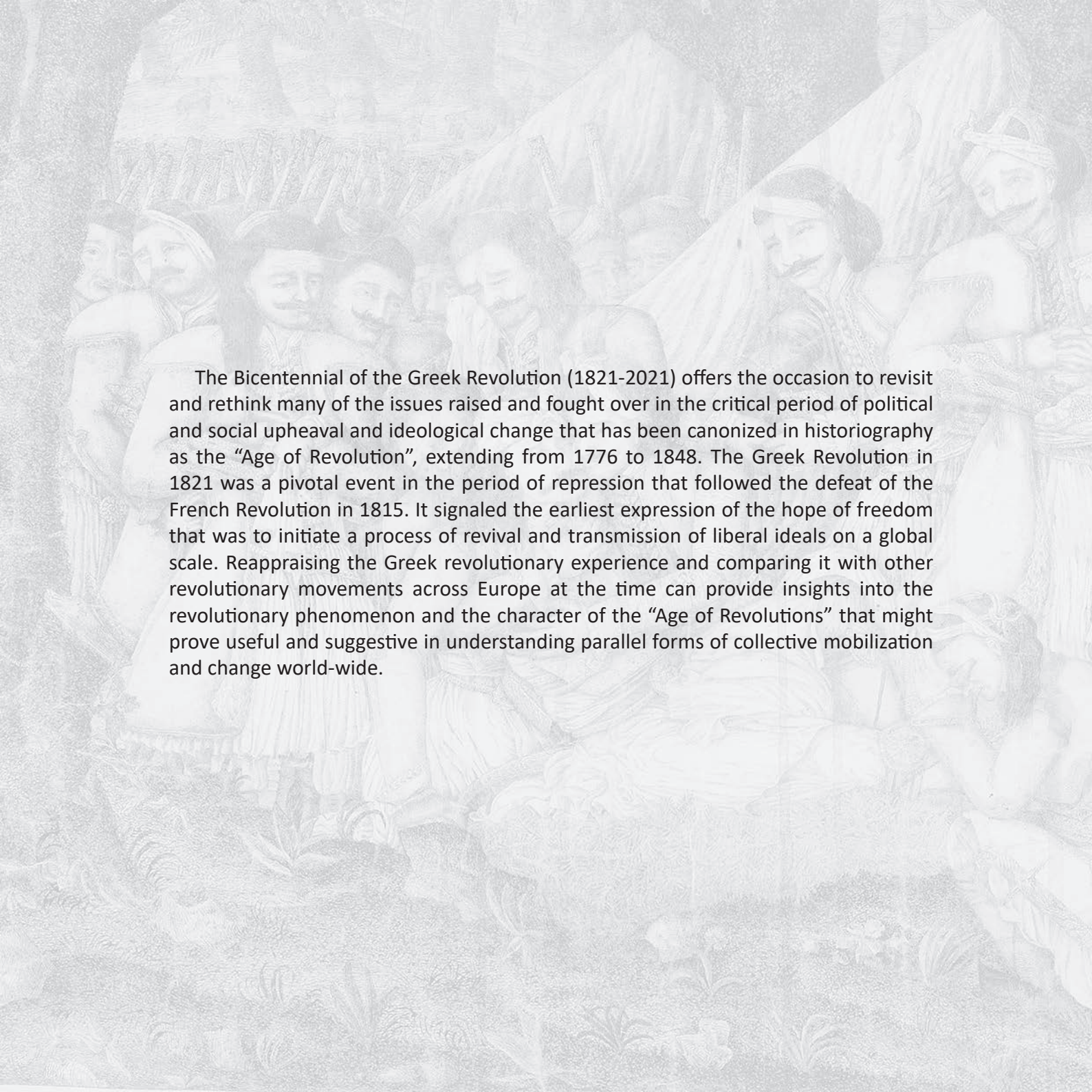
**BICENTENNIAL OF THE GREEK REVOLUTION (1821-2021)**

*The Greek Revolution in the Age of Revolutions (1776-1848)  
Reappraisals and Comparisons*

**INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE**

**12-13 MARCH 2021**



The background of the page is a faded, sepia-toned illustration. It depicts a group of men, likely revolutionaries or political figures, standing in front of a large, draped structure that resembles a tent or a stage. The men are dressed in 19th-century attire, including long coats, waistcoats, and hats. Some are looking towards the viewer, while others are engaged in conversation. The overall tone is historical and somber, reflecting the theme of the Greek Revolution discussed in the text.

The Bicentennial of the Greek Revolution (1821-2021) offers the occasion to revisit and rethink many of the issues raised and fought over in the critical period of political and social upheaval and ideological change that has been canonized in historiography as the “Age of Revolution”, extending from 1776 to 1848. The Greek Revolution in 1821 was a pivotal event in the period of repression that followed the defeat of the French Revolution in 1815. It signaled the earliest expression of the hope of freedom that was to initiate a process of revival and transmission of liberal ideals on a global scale. Reappraising the Greek revolutionary experience and comparing it with other revolutionary movements across Europe at the time can provide insights into the revolutionary phenomenon and the character of the “Age of Revolutions” that might prove useful and suggestive in understanding parallel forms of collective mobilization and change world-wide.





Friday, 12 March 2021

**16:00** Conference Opening

**Welcome Address:**

**MELETIOS - ATHANASIOS DIMOPOULOS**

Rector of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

**GEORGE HANDJINICOLAOU**

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Introduction to the Conference: **PASCHALIS KITROMILIDIS**

*The Greek World in the Age of Revolution*

**16:45 Resonances of the Age of Revolution (I)**

Chair: **EVANTHIS HATZIVASSILIOU**

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**JOHN DAVIS**, *Greece and the Liberal Revolutions of 1820-1823 in Southern Europe*

**MIROSLAV ŠEDIVÝ**, *Austria and the 1820s Revolutions: Between the Heritage of the Congress of Vienna and Political Change*

**ANNIE JOURDAN**, *Revolutions in Europe (1776-1848)*

**17:45-18:15:** Discussion



**18:20 Resonances of the Age of Revolution (II)**

Chair: **VANGELIS KARAMANOLAKIS**

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**JOSÉ MARIA PORTILLO VALDÉS**, *Greece, Spain and the Theory of Emancipation in Early European Liberalism*

**CHRISTOPHER CLARK, CHRISTOS ALIPRANTIS**, *Greece and 1848: Direct Responses and Underlying Connectivities*

**ANNA KARAKATSOULI**, *Transnationalism and Cosmopolitanism in the 1820s: Philhellenism(s) in the Public Sphere*

**19:20-19:50:** Discussion

**19:55 Resonances of the Age of Revolution (III)**

Chair: **DIMITRIOS KARADIMAS**

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**DAVID A. BELL**, *From Philadelphia to Athens: Why Revolutions Come in Waves*

**FRANCESCO SCALORA**, «*Che dura prova è tentar di greca aquila il dorso*».  
*The Greek War of Independence and its Resonance in Sicilian Culture of the Nineteenth Century*

**ŞÜKRÜ ILICAK**, *The Decade prior to the Greek Revolution: A Black Hole in Ottoman History*

**20:55-21:25:** Discussion



Saturday, 13 March 2021

**11:00 Reverberations of Revolution in Southern and Eastern Europe**  
Chair: **PARASKEVAS KONORTAS**

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**MARIA EFTHYMIU**, *Internal Conflicts and Civil Strife in the Serbian and the Greek Revolution: a Comparison*

**HARALD HEPPNER**, *The Serbian, Greek and Romanian Revolutions in Comparison*

**SIMON DIXON**, *Russia and Greece in the Age of Revolution*

**12:05-12:35:** Discussion

**12:40 Revolutionary Waves in the Greek World (I)**  
Chair: **ANASTASIA PAPADIA-LALA**

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**OLGA KATSIARDI-HERING**, *From the Revolts to the Greek Revolution: Economic-Political Realities and Ideological Visions among the Greeks (End of the Eighteenth C.-1821)*

**NASSIA YAKOVAKI**, *When Exactly Did the Greek Revolution Begin? The Philiki Etaireia as Part of Revolutionary Action during the Year 1820*

**VASO SEIRINIDOU**, *The Vigilant Eye of the Revolution: Public Security and Police in Revolutionary Greece*

**GELINA HARLAFTIS, KATERINA GALANI**, *The Sea and Nation-building: Between a Privately-owned, Privateering and "Piratica" Merchant Fleet and a Revolutionary National Navy, 1821-1829*

**14:00-14:40:** Discussion





**14:45 *Revolutionary Waves in the Greek World (II)***

Chair: **KOSTAS KOSTIS**

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**ANNA MARIA RAO**, *Economy and Politics in the Correspondence of the Neapolitan Consuls in Greece*

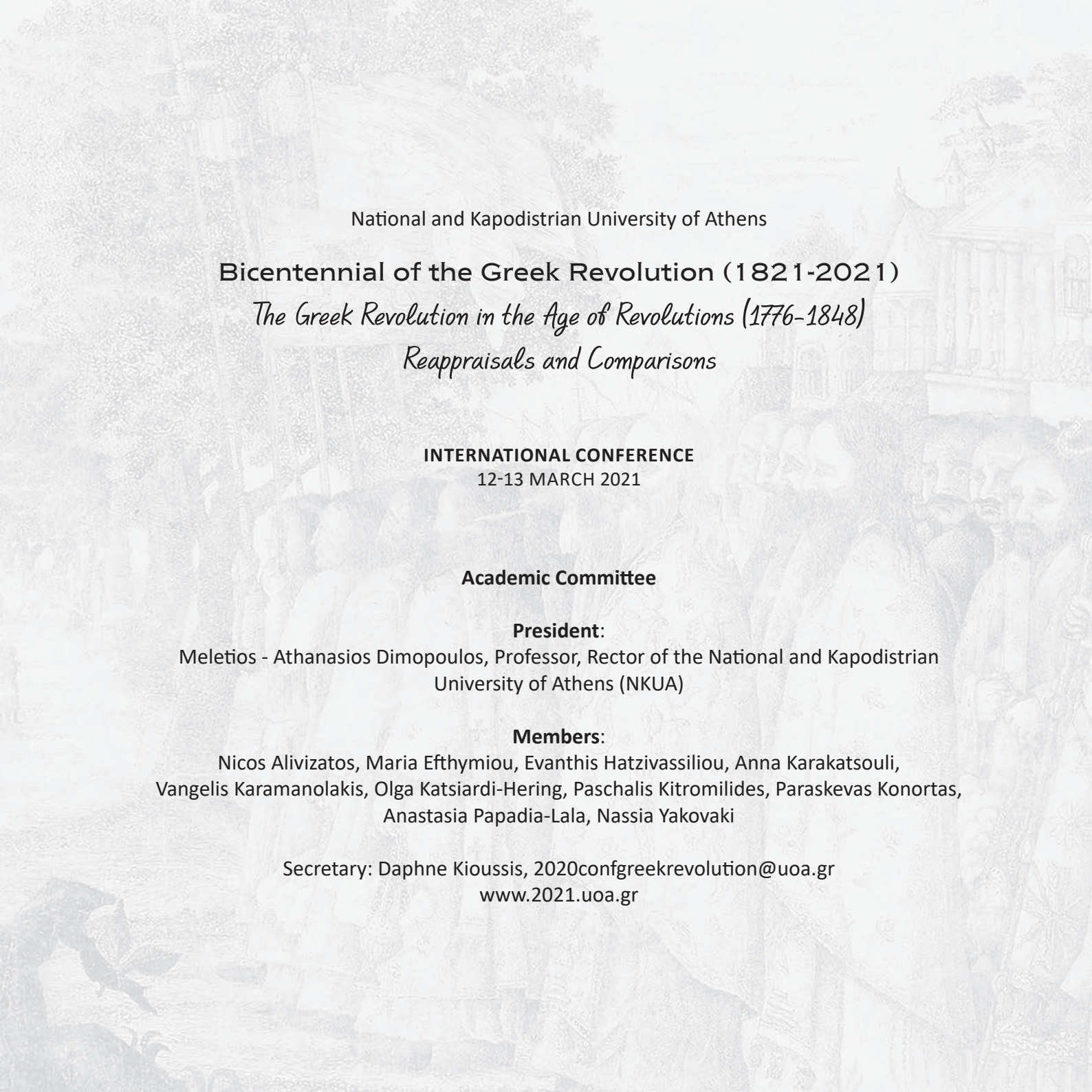
**SPYROS VLACHOPOULOS**, *The Vision of the Rebellious Greeks for a Democratic and Liberal State: the Constitutions of the Greek Revolution and the first Post-revolutionary Constitutions*

**KONSTANTINOS PAPAGEORGIOU**, *Ideals of Freedom in the Greek Revolution and the Political Discourse of Modernity*

**15.45-16.15:** Discussion

**OLGA KATSIARDI-HERING**, *Concluding Reflections*





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*"When a nation desires independence, a revolution is probable;  
but when it is spurred into action by an appetite for revenge as well as  
by a passion for liberty; [...] a revolution becomes inevitable"*

*George Finlay*