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Academic Degrees

- 2010-2014 **Pontifical Oriental Institute (PIO), Rome**
PhD in Oriental Ecclesiastical Sciences at the Section of Oriental Ecclesiastical Sciences.
Dissertation: The Coptic Passion of Saint Philotheus of Antioch according to the Codex M 583 of Pierpont Morgan Library in New York.
- 2006-2008 **Theological School, University of Athens, Greece**
MA in Historical Theology (Note: 9/10)
Master Thesis (submitted in 2012): The encyclical «In Suprema Petri» of pope Pius IX (1848): Historical Context and Theological Argumentation.
- 2002-2006 **Theological School, University of Athens, Greece**
BA in Theology (Note: 8,2/10)

Professional Experience

- 2014 **Brepols Publishers, Thessaloniki, Greece**
Free-lance Text Editor
Duties: Reading of Coptic and Syriac texts, separating them in short paragraphs and controlling whether the modern translation correspond to the ancient text.
- 2008-2012 **Pontifical Belgian College, Rome**
Librarian
Duties: Direction of the ordering, cataloging, classifying and processing of the new library material

Teaching Experience

2015-2016

Theological School, University of Athens

Taught the free-optional course of *Coptic Language (Sahidic dialect) for Beginners* under the supervise of Ass. Prof. Dim. Moschos

Languages Skills

Modern Western Languages: English (excellent command), French (very good command), Italian (fluent), German (good command), Greek (native speaker)

Ancient Languages: Ancient Greek (advanced knowledge), Coptic (advanced knowledge), Syriac (advanced knowledge), Latin (intermediate knowledge), Hieroglyphics (basic knowledge)

Research Interests

- Late Antique and Byzantine Egypt, History of Religions in Late Antiquity, History and Spirituality of Ancient Oriental Churches, Early Christian Literature, Coptic Language and Literature, Syriac Language and Literature, Hagiography, Paleography, Papyrology

Memberships

Member of the International Association for Coptic Studies (IACS)

Member of the Greek Society for the Study of Ancient Egypt (EEMAA)

Member of the Greek Scientific Society for Middle Eastern Studies (ΕΕΕΣΜΑ)

Publications

KOUREMENOS N., «The Account of Seventy Idols in Coptic Hagiographical Tradition» in BUZI P. - CAMPLANI A. - CONTRARDI F. (ed.) *Coptic Society, Literature and Religion from Late Antiquity to Modern Times: Proceedings of the Tenth International Congress of Coptic Studies, Rome, September 17th-22nd, 2012*, [Orientalia Lovaniensia Analecta 247], vol. II, Leuven 2016, pp. 1095-1115.

KOUREMENOS N., «The garden of Jannes and Jambres: Intertextual approach between apocrypha, hagiography and monastic literature», in *International Symposium on Ancient Christian Literature and Apocryphal Literature*, Thessaloniki. (forthcoming)

KOUREMENOS N., «The order of deaconesses in the liturgical tradition of Ancient Oriental Churches», in *Proceedings of the International Conference: Deaconesses Ordination of Women and Orthodox Theology, 22nd-24th January 2015*, Thessaloniki. (in Greek, forthcoming)

«The reception of the Ancient Oriental Churches in the historiographical work of Chrysostomos Papadopoulos» in *Theological Portraits III: Chrysostomos Papadopoulos Archbishop of Athens: Theology and Ecclesiastical life during the Interwar Period*, Saturday 2nd April 2016, Academy of Theological Studies, Volos, Greece (in Greek, forthcoming).

«Una valutazione dell'insegnamento di Matta el Meskin sotto la prospettiva della spiritualità ortodossa», in *Convegno Internazionale di Spiritualità, «Matta el Meskin: Un padre del deserto contemporaneo»*, 21st - 22nd May 2016, Bose, Italy. (forthcoming)

Lectures

«Coptic Language and the its contribution to the decipherment of Hieroglyphics» in the Egyptological Seminary “*Egypt and Mediterranean People through the centuries*„, organized by the Greek Society for the Study of Ancient Egypt, November 2015 - February 2016, Athens, Greece (in Greek).

Conference Contributions

«The doctrine of Resurrection in Gnosticism: Hermeneutic approach to the *Gospel of Philippus* and the *Treatise of Resurrection*», in the 18th Postgraduate Conference of the Theological School of Athens “*Death and Resurrection in the Theology and the Life of the Church*„, 6th-9th July 2012, Santorini, Greece. (in Greek)

«Mary Magdalene in early Coptic Literature», in the 2nd Theological Meeting of Anafi “*St. Mary of Magdalene: Life and Tradition*„, 10th-12th July 2012, Anafi island, Greece. (in Greek)

«La celebrazione del primo millennio del monachesimo athonita (963-1963): un crocevia tra memoria e rinnovamento», in XII Convegno Internazionale di Studi sulla cultura e spiritualità della Santa Montagna “*Testimonianze e Percorsi Spirituali nell'Athos contemporaneo*„, 8 Maggio 2013, Roma, Italia.

«The *Index Apostolorum* of Saint Dorotheus of Tyrus», in the 3rd Theological Meeting of Anafi “*Martyrs and Saints of Byzantium*„, 27th-29th August 2013, Anafi island, Greece. (in Greek)

«Saint Libertinus, first bishop of Agrigentum and the martyr Pelegrinus» in the 4th Theological Meeting of Anafi “*Sicily of Greeks*„, 29th -31st August 2014. (in Greek)

«Paganism and Christianity in Late Antique Egypt: How Progressive was the Christianization of Pharaoh's Land» in the 18th Annual Mediterranean Studies Congress, 27th - 30th May, 2015, Athens, Greece.

«The resistance of Paganism in Byzantine Egypt according to the Coptic Hagiographic Tradition», in the Two-days Workshop of the Greek Scientific Society for Middle Eastern Studies “*East and West: Greek-Arabic*”, 25th-26th April 2015, Kifissia, Greece. (in Greek)