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HAROKOPIO UNIVERSITY

INVITATION-ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

International Conference

“Port cities and maritime routes in Eastern Mediterranean and Black Sea (18th - 21st century)”

Athens, 22-24.11.2018

The **Harokopio University** in collaboration with the **University of Macedonia**

invites you to the **International Conference:**

“Port cities and maritime routes in Eastern Mediterranean and Black Sea (18th - 21st century)”

The conference will take place on **22 - 24 November 2018**
at the premises of **Harokopio University in Athens**.

After the successful completion of the International Symposium “Culture and Space in the Balkans 17th – 20th century”, the concept of proceeding a similar scientific meeting concerning culture, ekistics and anthropogeography arised among a group of members of the Organizing Committee of the Symposium that was held in 2014 at the University of Macedonia (organized by the Department of Balkan, Slavic and Oriental Studies in Thessaloniki, 21 - 22.11.2014).

Indicative thematic topics:

1. Theoretical approaches. Policies-geopolitical strategies and ekistics
2. Socio-economic development process of settlements and coastal regions
3. Urban and regional maritime space and networks, natural and manmade environment (geography, cartography, coastal mapping, shipping)
4. Ekistics reserve, cultural heritage (monuments, archaeological sites, historical places) and sea
5. Management and enhancement of ekistics reserve and cultural heritage
6. Ports, waterfront, city culture and semiotics. Local/global encounters
7. Promotion of cultural reserve in port cities and tourism

Additionally, other thematic fields of the Conference could include maritime journeys, routes, ships (technical characteristics), smuggling, cartography, approaching possibilities of the island ports, “parallel” and “transversal” commerce in islands, the relationship with the inland network, ideological and semiotic approaches regarding port cities and maritime routes, ekistics and cultural heritage in those commercial centers, traditional professions that relate to the sea, a number of socio-economic features as well as development potentials and land uses of port cities and maritime routes of Eastern Mediterranean and the Black Sea (18th – 21st century).

The conference aims at becoming a forum among various scientific specializations like: architects, planners, geographers, economists, historians, philologists, anthropologists, political scientists, experts in geopolitical issues etc.

Specifically, the conference would offer to those that are activated in the above cognitive areas-members of the scientific community, academics, employees in public and local government administration, self-employed, as well as young researchers, post-graduates, PhD candidates and students-the possibilities:

- **to attend speeches of eminent academics of Greek and foreign Universities and Research Institutes**
- **to present their papers and research findings**
- **to attend a number of presentations with a variety of scientific subjects**
- **to take part in a prosperous conversation with a view to create perspectives for future scientific challenges.**

In the above framework all relevant participants are invited to submit their proposals.

More information about submission details you can find on the following web site:

<http://portroutesmedblacksea.gr>

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