ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE 20th ACADEMIA HOMERICA

14-23 July 2017

Celebration of 20 years from the establishment of Academia Homeric in Oinousses 1998

The 20th Academia Homerica will take place from the 14th to 23rd of July 2017, in Athens, on the islands of Chios and Oinousses, and perhaps a visit to Minor Asia, to Ephesos via Cesme and Smyrna.

The programmes will be offered

- a) Students' Programme
- b) Scholars' / Hellenists' Programme
- c) Modern Greek Programme
- d) Modern Greek literature Programme with music (for all)
- e) Traditional Greek dances (voluntarily).

The programme of visits and some lectures will be common to all.

General Information

July 14	Arrival of all participants in Athens.
	Stay at the Titania Hotel, 52 Panepistimiou Str. (between Syntagma and Omonia Square).
	Dinner.

- July 15 Visits to archaeological sites and museums in Athens. Departure to Chios by ship in the late afternoon.
- July 16 Arrival in Chios and check-in at the Boarding House of the Aegean University and hotels.

Official opening of the Academia Homerica at the Homereion Cultural Centre.

- July 16-23 Lessons and lectures in the Homereion (or at *Maria Tsakos Foundation*), various activities and trips: sightseeing visits to places in Chios town and island Kardamyla, Archaeological, Byzantine, Naval Museums and archaeological places, the Byzantine Monastery ("Nea Moni"), the Chios library "KORAIS", the Mastic Producers Manufactory, Daskalopetra (Homer's School) -, and crossing to Oinousses island where the first Academia Homerica was run in 1998: visits to the Naval Museum and the Monastery of the Holy Annunciation. Lectures and honorary celebration.
- **July 23** Students' and others participants' presentations.

Official closing of the congress.

Departure for Piraeus by ship in the evening.

July 24 Arrival at the Piraeus in the early morning and return to town by bus. (N.B. Participants are kindly requested not to book return flights before noon. Private direct return by bus/metro from Piraeus to the Airport is possible.)

Deadline for applications

Please submit your registration by May 20th, 2017 on the following website: <u>www.euroclassica.eu</u> > the Academia Homerica 2017 button in the horizontal banner > Registration.

Participation fees (for ALL participants; unfortunately no financial support from EUROCLASSICA is available).

500 EUROS (this covers full board in Athens and Chios in mostly double/triple rooms*, ship tickets, and all excursions). Flight tickets to and from Athens are not included. No money can be reimbursed for flight tickets.

* N.B. A list of the hotels can be sent to the participants wishing to book a room at their own expense; please contact Christine Haller for more information.

Bank Details for transfers

NATIONAL BANK OF GREECE, Branch (146)

3, Mitropoleos Sq., 105 56 Athens

SWIFT/BIC code: ETHNGRAA

Account Nº: 146/205897-97

IBAN: GR16 01101 46000 00146 20589 797

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N.B. Participants who need a **visa** (Eastern European countries, South America, etc.) must **apply as soon as possible** to arrange for their official invitation and receive their visa on time.

Professors and students must have their **University or school identity card** for free/reduced entrance fee to the museums and archaeological sites.

All participants should also have valid **travel and health insurance** for their stay in Greece.

Final information about the programme, bus, metros and the hotel in Athens will be sent by the beginning of July.

a) Students' Programme

- Students will read from Homer's Odyssey and Iliad on Homer's island!
- They will attend their lectures and lessons mainly at the *Homereion Cultural Centre* in Chios, at *Maria Tsakos Foundation*, and at the *Cultural Centre*, or *Captains' Academy* in Oinousses.
- They will be taught by Professors of Classics, polyglots.
- The programme also contains educational tours and visits together with the participants of other sessions.

Participant Profile and Pre-requisites

The sessions are geared towards those who have previously been exposed to Ancient Greek; whether High-School students, university students, Graduates or Post-graduates, either as a supplement to their studies, a refresher or for the simple pleasure of it.

b) Scholars' / Hellenists' Session

Scholars and Hellenists can attend the programme of lectures on the theme *Homer in the World*. Lectures will be given by Members of Academies, Professors of Universities, and others, principally in Modern Greek (possibly with English summaries), but also in English, French or in any other language provided that an English summary can be handed out.

Some general lectures will be common to all participants.

The programme also contains educational tours and visits together with the participants of the other sessions.

N.B. Participants who wish to give a lecture in the Scholars' / Hellenists' Programme are kindly requested to communicate the topic and the language in which it will be given to Dr. Maria-Eleftheria Giatrakou. They must also send an English summary of the lecture to be photocopied and handed out, and a brief CV.

c) Modern Greek Programme

This programme will be devoted to **Modern Greek language**, with intensive courses morning and afternoon, under the direction of qualified professors.

All participants of this session will participate with the other ones in educational tours and visits as well.

d) Modern Greek Literature with Music for all the sessions (12:30 – 13:00 every day)

e) Traditional Greek dances (voluntarily).

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