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February 27-28, 2026



Culture, Borders, and Gender: Research Trajectories, Emerging Themes, and Interdisciplinary Dialogues in the Contemporary World

**Hybrid format:
Conference Hall “Ilias Kouskouvelis” (1st floor),
University of Macedonia, Thessaloniki, Greece**

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PROGRAM

Friday, February 27, 2026

18:00 – 20:00

Conference Hall of the University of Macedonia “Ilias Kouskouvelis”

	Name/Surname	Affiliation	Presentation title
1	Spatharidou Dimitra	PhD Candidate Department of Balkan, Slavic, and Oriental Studies, University of Macedonia	Between the climate crisis and justice: methodological inquiries and ethnographic notes from the Greek field
2	Groballi Christina	PhD Candidate Department of Balkan, Slavic, and Oriental Studies, University of Macedonia	Bordering and crosslocated spaces: Early ethnographic explorations from the Korçë region
3	Stavridou Athanasia	PhD Candidate Democritus University of Thrace	Embodied memories of the Occupation in the present of old age: ethnographic approaches in a nursing home in northern Greece
4	Mihalopoulos Stavros	Post-doc researcher Department of Humanities Democritus University of Thrace	Reflections on the anthropology of disability: autoethnographic trajectories and sonic potentialities

Saturday, February 28, 2026

Conference Hall of the University of Macedonia “Ilias Kouskouvelis”

1st Panel – 10:00 – 12:30

	Name/Surname	Affiliation	Presentation title
1	Katsaggelou Eirini	PhD Candidate Department of Balkan, Slavic, and Oriental Studies, University of Macedonia	Migration organizations, bilateral associations, and institutions of the Chinese community in Greece
2	Tsioumelas Konstantinos	PhD Candidate Department of Balkan, Slavic, and Oriental Studies, University of Macedonia	“Every Romios is Greek, but not every Greek is a Romios”: Issues of origin and social integration within the Greek Orthodox Minority of Istanbul
3	Tsourekis Orfanidis Konstantinos	PhD Candidate Department of Balkan, Slavic, and Oriental Studies, University of Macedonia	Daily life, Education, and Social Mobility in the communities of Greek Political Refugees in Romania and Hungary: A research plan
4	Lampa Aikaterini	PhD Candidate Department of Humanities Democritus University of Thrace	Multiple perspectives on confinement: reflections from my experience in a youth educational care institution
5	Nihal Soğancı	PhD Candidate Department of Social Anthropology Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences	Haunted beginnings: Disorientation as method in migrating on the borders of better days
6	Dallas Nick	PhD Candidate Department of Balkan, Slavic, and Oriental Studies, University of Macedonia	Ethnicity and the Democratic Army of Greece viewed through the Tashkent archives

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Break: 12:30 - 13:00

13:00 – 14:30 Invited speakers

	Name/Surname	Affiliation	Presentation title
1	Ljupčo S. Risteski	Professor of Ethnology and Anthropology, Institute of Ethnology and Anthropology, Ss. Cyril and Methodius University Skopje, North Macedonia	Layers of knowledge: A century of ethnological and anthropological research in the Prespa Region
2	Bogdan Dražeta	Assistant Professor and Senior Research Assistant, Department of Ethnology and Anthropology Faculty of Philosophy, University of Belgrade, Serbia	Identity of the residents of East Sarajevo

Break: 14:30 - 16:00

2nd Panel– 16:00 – 18:00

	Name/Surname	Affiliation	Presentation title
1	Manolas Nikos	PhD Candidate Department of Balkan, Slavic, and Oriental Studies, University of Macedonia	“How we who live on this side of Olympus think”: towards a genealogy of coloniality in northern Greek provincial contexts
2	Andrianopoulou Panagiota	PhD Candidate Department of Balkan, Slavic, and Oriental Studies, University of Macedonia	Janissaries or Boules? Discourse on ritual genealogy as an open archive of transforming heritagization in a northern Greek city
3	Vasiloglou Georgios	PhD Candidate Department of Balkan, Slavic, and Oriental Studies, University of Macedonia	Comics and youth identities: cultural practices and youth communities from postwar Europe to post-dictatorship Greece
4	Papahatzidou Stavroula	PhD Candidate Department of Humanities Democritus University of Thrace	Concluding the ethnographic journey into locality and traditionality in food and wine in Thrace: Gender issues

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