



**Olympia Summer Academy 2021**  
**Leadership and Global Governance Challenges**

**July 7 - 10, 2021**

**Athens, Greece**



## **OSA's 20<sup>th</sup> consecutive year**

**2021 marked the 20th consecutive year of the Olympia Summer Academy, which has managed to thrive, despite the restrictions associated with the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.**

**The interest in our course, from both Greece and abroad, remained remarkably high. In total, 40 students from 9 countries attended the course, two of whom were PhD researchers, seven were students studying towards a master's degree, 25 were undergraduate students and six were high school students who were thrilled to get a glimpse of what it feels to attend demanding, high-level academic lectures. The participants attended 8 sessions, totaling 16 hours of class over four days, taught by 6 professors, three of whom travelled from abroad to teach.**

## **Course Description**

**The study of global issues is more critical than ever as we are confronted with many pressing and often competing global governance challenges. The decisions that we make in the next few years will determine our collective future and the nature of the 21st century.**

**This course, taught by an interdisciplinary team of academics and practitioners, provided students with an opportunity to consider the role of leadership and the key global challenges it faces. It was designed to equip participants with the necessary knowledge and attitude for them to become effective members of a globally interdependent society.**

## Faculty



**Despina - Ino Afentouli**

**Program Manager, NATO Public Division.**



**Orfeo Fioretos**

**Associate Professor of Political Science, Temple University, Philadelphia.**



**Dimitris Keridis**

**Professor of International Politics, Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences; Director, Olympia Summer Academy.**



**Harry Papatotiriou**

**Professor of International Politics, Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences; Director, Institute of International Relations.**



**Wolfango Piccoli**

**Co-president and Director of Research, Teneo Intelligence.**



**Betty Tsakarestou**

**Associate Professor at Panteion University, Dept. of Communication, Media & Culture, Greece, Head of Advertising and PR Lab.**

## Course Outline & Schedule



**Wednesday, July 7**

1. History and Theory of Global Governance (Orfeo Fioretos)
2. Leadership and Public Diplomacy Challenges (Ino Afentouli)



**Thursday, July 8**

3. Varieties of Global Governance (Orfeo Fioretos)
4. Entrepreneurial Public Diplomacy (Betty Tsakarestou)



**Friday, July 9**

5. The Trajectory of American Global Leadership (Harry Papasotiriou)
6. European Leadership in a Post-Brexit Europe (Dimitris Keridis)



**Saturday, July 10**

7. Populism, Democracy and Governance: Lessons from Turkey, 2001-2021 (Wolfgang Piccoli)
8. Leadership and Risk Governance in a Pandemic World (Wolfgang Piccoli)

## Testimonials



The 4-day course was an amazing and unforgettable experience. As a high school graduate, it was an introduction into the world of politics, economics, diplomacy, greater issues like the COVID-19 pandemic or the relations between nations, and how every action affects global governance. The Academy was truly an incredible experience, a journey of knowledge and interaction with an intelligent and knowledgeable group of people, from whom I learned a great deal. This would not have been possible without the generous help of the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung. I am very grateful for the opportunity, and I hope that in the future many other young people like me will benefit from this great program.

Konstantina

It is truly unbelievable how much one can achieve within the span of four days. This was the best academic experience I've ever had so far. I will always be grateful that I broadened my knowledge in pressing global issues, met, and collaborated with individuals from around the world and grew as a person.

Kleoniki

During the intensive classes I felt privileged to interact with the academical staff, but also with passionate and motivated students with unique and diverse backgrounds coming from different parts of the world. The conversations, the structured dialogue and opinion exchange, helped me understand the multiple aspects of international problems and crises like the COVID-19 pandemic, and changed my mindset after comprehending the complexity that characterises these global challenges. OSA was an enriching experience.

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## Photo Gallery







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