



Olympia Summer Academy 2022 Global Discord and Cooperation July 13 – 16, 2022 Athens, Greece















2022 marked the 21st consecutive year of the Olympia Summer Academy, which consistently succeeds in offering a competitive, academically intensive, summer program. In total, 46 students from 7 countries participated, attending 9 sessions, totaling 16 hours of class over four days, taught by 6 professors, three of whom travelled from abroad to teach.

The Context

The world appears mired in discord. Disagreements seem to be proliferating among major and smaller powers alike, within alliances and across the Global North and Global South. Backlash against globalization has many observers worried that processes of de-globalization and fragmentation will undermine foundational elements of global governance. And that the world will be prevented from successfully meeting the big challenges of the 21st century. But not everyone shares this outlook. Other observers point to heightened levels and sophistication of international cooperation. They add that international cooperation has always been hard, that populists often are displaced, and that global structures have overcome existential threats in the past. This interdisciplinary course examines rival perspectives that inform debates about the state of global governance. With examples from the earliest periods of global governance to the present age, the course features studies of discord and cooperation in the global political, economic, and security areas.

The Course Outline

13th of July

- 1. Theorizing Discord and Cooperation (Orfeo Fioretos)
- 2. Transatlantic Relations and Rifts (Orfeo Fioretos)

14th of July

- 3. The Enemy within: Populism and the Decline of Western Liberalism (Dimitris Keridis)
- 4. Enduring challenges of nationalism (Paschalis Kitromilides)
- 5. The War in Ukraine and the Reshaping of Europe (Evangelos Venizelos)

15th of July

- 6. Rupture, Resilience, and the Politics of Compounding Crises: Evidence from Greece and Beyond (Kristin Fabbe)
- 7. When Fifth Columns Fall: Populism and Religious Regulation in Erdogan's Turkey (Kristin Fabbe)

16th of July

- 8. Political Risk in a Multipolar World (Wolfango Piccoli)
- 9. Emerging Markets and Political Risk in a Multipolar World (Wolfango Piccoli)



The Faculty



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Evangelos VenizelosProfessor of Constitutional Law
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Testimonials

This was my first time participating in the Academy and the last 4 days exceeded my expectations. I couldn't -prior to these days - imagine coming into close contact with such distinguished people from my sector of studies. I gained a lot of knowledge during the OSA, discussed about current affairs with some of the most qualified professionals on these issues and learned about new areas that I could possibly be interested to work in, in the future. I definitely look forward to participating again next year.

Maria

The 2022 Olympia Summer Academy is an exemplary program for aspiring academics and graduate students alike. I was able to experience a cutting-edge academic program with scholars from all around the world. The fact that the faculty consisted of both academics and practitioners resulted in a more holistic view of the subjects that were discussed. It also shed some light on the different ways that these professionals approach different issues of concern. Furthermore, the existence of a richly varied and multicultural student body facilitated the exchange of different ideas, beliefs, and points of view. I can confidently say that this program and the subsequent interactions with both the faculty and the attendees helped me to discover new and interesting topics of research.

Apollon

I am delighted to have been a part of this summer school. There were 4 days full of knowledge related to my subject of studies, new experiences and of course new people from around the world. We were able to meet experts, develop our communication skills and broaden our horizons. The lectures were extremely interesting and the professors tried to help us understand the interactions between states nowadays. I am very satisfied by the organisation and, of course, I was very glad to have visited the Hellenic Parliament. Taking everything into consideration, I really hope to be able to attend the Olympia Summer Academy next year.

Emilena

The Olympia Summer Academy is a long-lasting and very successful tradition that managed, despite serious issues such as the health and energy crisis, to unite students and great scientists from all over the world. Personally I think it was an experience of a lifetime. I feel that the indepth analyses in combination with the constructive dialogue with renowned scientists on topical issues, have an added value in my education as an incentive for greater research. In these 4 days we managed to delve more substantially into the traditional theories of international relations but we also discovered the importance of the risk analysis industry. We were given the opportunity to exchange views and develop ties with the students, but the most important thing was the acquaintance and guidance given to us by successful professionals in their scientific field.

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Photo Gallery





























