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EDUCATION:

19/06/1999 Ph.D. in History from the Department of the Ancient World, faculty of History, State University of Moscow named by M.V. Lomonosov.

1996 – 1999 Designed Doctoral dissertation on ‘The Greek Colonisation of the North Black Sea Between the 7th century and first quarter of the 6th century BC: Problems and Discussions’.

1994 – 1995 Master’s Degree. Department of the Ancient World, Faculty of History, State University of Moscow named by M.V. Lomonosov. Attained Master’s with scholarship from the Centre for Pontic Studies and the Foreign Ministry of Greece.

MASTER’S THEME: ‘Small towns of the Kimmerian Bosphorus and Attica: a Comparative Study’. Attended course on Ancient Epigraphic by Prof. Yu.G. Vinogradov. Department of the Ancient World, Faculty of History, State University of Moscow named by M.V. Lomonosov.

1990 – 1994 Bachelor’s Degree in History Department of the Ancient World, Faculty of History, State University of Moscow named by M.V. Lomonosov, with scholarship from the Centre for Pontic Studies and the Foreign Ministry of Greece.

1990 – 1993 Post-graduate studies specializing in translating from Greek to Russian and from Russian to Greek. State University of Moscow named by M.V. Lomonosov.

1989 – 1990 Completed preparatory course on the Russian language at the State University of Moscow named by M.V. Lomonosov, with a scholarship from the Centre of Pontic Studies and the Foreign Ministry of Greece.

ARCHAEOLOGICAL PROJECTS – LECTURES IN UNIVERSITIES ABROAD:

1st of March 2007 – May 2008 Member of the Scientific Committee of the Project funded by the Greek Ministry of Culture: ‘Intercultural contacts in sea, lake and river corridors of the Southeast Europe.

25th – 30th of April 2007 Participated the delegation of the Greek Ministry of Culture to Uzbekistan.

21st of June 2007 Invited by the University of Oxford, Faculty of Classics, The Ioannou Centre for Classical and Byzantine Studies, 66 St. Gilles', Oxford, to read a lecture on: "Greek Colonization in the Black Sea".

3-22 July 2006 Joined excavations at Maroneia with Students of the Department.

20-30 July 2004 Joined excavations at Maroneia with Students of the Department.

Sept. 2003 Participated as representative of the Archaeological Institute of Northern Greece in the Delegation of the Greek Ministry of Culture in Odessa, Ukraine, for the inauguration of the local Archaeological Museum.

April-May 1998 Participated in the excavation project of Gonour (Ancient Margiane) in Turkmenistan. Head of Project: Prof. V.I. Sariannidi of the Archaeological Institute of the Russian Academy of Sciences.

July-Aug 1997 Participated in the excavation of Panticapaeum (Kertch, Eastern Crimea). Head of Project: Dr. V.P. Tolstikov.

Aug-Sept 1996 Was part of the archaeological delegation of the Greek Ministry of Culture in Crimea.

1990 – 1995 Participated in the excavation of the ancient Greek city of Kimmerikon on the Black Sea as part of the excavation team of the Archaeological Institute of the Russian Academy of Sciences. Head: Prof. G.A. Koshelenko.

FOREIGN LANGUAGES:

Russian – fluent French – (Sorbonne I) English – (Cam. Advanced) Arabic – high level
Italian – high level German – reading level
Turkish – reading level Bulgarian – reading level Roumanian – reading level

Further Scientific Interests:

Cuneiform writing of Hittite Anatolia and the Hittite language (Old Kingdom-New Kingdom). Cuneiform and Hieroglyphic Luwian language and script. Hurrian and Phrygian languages. Hittite history and mythology.

PROFESSION EXPERIENCE:

Was elected **Lecturer in Ancient History of the Black Sea** in the May 2004 for the position at the Department of Languages, Literature and Culture of the Black Sea Countries, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece.

Was elected **Assistant Professor in Ancient History of the Black Sea** in March 2010 for the position at the same Department.

Was elected **Tenured Assistant Professor in Ancient History of the Black Sea** in February 2015 for the position at the same Department.

Was elected **Associate Professor in Ancient History of the Black Sea** in January 2018 for the position at the same Department.

Responsible for teaching the courses:

- 1) ‘The History of Hellenism in the Circumpontic Region throughout Antiquity’ (semester B),
- 2) ‘The Archaeological Research in the Greek Colonies of the Euxeinos Pontos’ (semester C),
- 3) ‘Russian History I & II’ (semesters E & F).
- 4) ‘Learning of Pontic Greek I & II’ (semesters C & D).

The above mentioned courses (1, 2 &3) are claimed by the Department of History and Ethnology of the same University to be taught to its students as well.

2006-2103 responsible for teaching the course ‘Special Issues in History: Philosophy of History and Methodology of Historiography’, in the Master’s Program of the same Department (semester A).

Also, taught the course of ‘Russian Language’ from 2001 till 2005 at the Department.

Taught at the International Hellenic University for many years two subjects: 1) Ancient History of the Black Sea, 2) Ancient Religion and Mythology of the Black Sea (<http://www.hum.ihu.edu.gr/index.php/en/ma-in-black-sea-cultural-studies/156-elias-k-petropoulos>).

Teaching at the Master’s Program “Studies of Southeastern Europe” at the School of Law, Department of International Law of the Democritus University of Thrace (2012-2019).

Teaching at the Department of Russian Language and Literature and Slavic Studies, at Athens University.

Has supervised several Master and (7) PhD dissertations.

CONFERENCES – MEETINGS – EXHIBITIONS:

2016

5-9 of April, Aarhus (Denmark). International Scientific Conference on “Bifocal Perspectives on the Black Sea: Macro- and Microcosms”, Aarhus University, Institute of Advanced Studies. Paper given: “Colonisation and Landscape Transformation: Cross-Cultural Interactions in the Cimmerian Bosphorus Region”.

5-8 of May, Athens. International Symposium “The Black Sea in the Context of the Roman Empire” (Committee for Pontic Studies). Paper given: “Greek Traditions in the Rural Territory of the Bosporan Kingdom during the Roman Period”, (co-author Alexander A. Maslennikov)

2015

6th of February, Thessaloniki. “Ancient Greek Colonisation and Modern Scholarship: Colonial Endeavours in the Black Sea Region”. Archaeological Museum of Thessaloniki.

2010

16-18 of September, Mytilene (Lesbos). “The water routes and the Greek colonial policy in the Black Sea area during the archaic age”. Scientific Conference on Historical Geography of Greece and the Eastern Mediterranean.

2009

Invited to the State Historical Museum of the Kremlin in Moscow to read a lecture on ‘Alexander the Great and the Hellenistic era in Central Asia’. A Conference dedicated to the 80th Anniversary of Victor I. Sarianidi.

2007

Invited to participate at the ‘Symposium on Greek Colonization across the Mediterranean’, 25-29 of March 2007, Faculty of Classics, Fildgwilliam College, University of Cambridge. Contribution read: ‘Issues on Greek Colonization: Greek Settlers and Native Population in Northern Euxeinos Pontos’.

Invited by the Greek Ministry of Culture at the Conference ‘Greek Culture without Frontiers’ at the 1st February 2007. The Conference took place at the National Research Foundation. Was a member of the Presidium.

2005

‘On the traces of the Argonauts: A historical and archaeological periplous in the cities of the ancient Greeks in the Black Sea Littoral’, Lecture at the Literary Society of Komotini in 31-10-2005.

‘Ancient Greek Colonies in the Black Sea -2’, Presentation of the new project. Celebration of the 30th Anniversary of Ikiztepe Excavations, September 1-4 2005,

Under the Auspices of Istanbul University - Samsun Governorship - Bafra Municipality.

'The early stage of the Greek Colonization in the Black Sea Area: Chronology and colonial policy' – International Scientific Congress on "Russia and the Mediterranean" at Athens University, 19-22 of May 2005. Also member of the Organizing Committee.

2004

International Conference on the Phenomenon of the Bosporan Kingdom: the problems of dating. St. Petersburg, Russia. March, 2004. Petropoulos, E.K.: 'Colonial Encounters in the Black Sea Region: Dating Problems of the earliest Kimmerian Bosphoros Greek Cities'.

'Apollonia Pontica in the system of the first Greek settlements In the Black Sea' – In the Bulgarian-Greek Scientific Symposium: 'Apollonia – Argilos: The Western Pontic and the Northern Aegean Area in the Antiquity', Sozopol, September 28- October 1, 2004.

2003

International Symposium THRACIA PONTICA VIII, Sozopol, Bulgaria. 13 – 19 September, 2003. Program: The Ancient Cultures of the Pontic Area and their Association to the Sea. Petropoulos, E.K.: 'Early Greek pottery on the Northern Black Sea and in the Italian Campania: Parallels in creating the colonial 'Middle Ground''.

1st Panhellenic Celebration of the Pontian Youth & Greeks in a Foreign Country/Fellow Greeks, organized by the 'Panaghia Soumela' Association Themi, Thessaloniki, Greece. 6 July, 2003. Petropoulos, E.K.: 'Historical and Archaeological Report on the Presence of the ancient Greeks in the Northern Black Sea Area'.

Scientific advisor for the archaeological Exhibition of Kavala on Ancient Apollonia Pontica (Sozopolis), Archaeological Museum of Kavala, Greece. 24 May 2003.

Cultural Association of Pontians in Alexandroupolis for the Memorial of the Genocide of the Greek Pontians, Alexandroupolis, Greece. 18 May 2003. Petropoulos, E.K.: 'The Presence of the Ancient Greeks in the Black Sea Region throughout Antiquity'.

2002

Scientific Conference in honour of the 80th Anniversary of Dr. Liuba Ognenova-Marinova, Archaeological Institute of the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia, Bulgaria. 11 December, 2002. Petropoulos, E.K.: '*Emporion* on the Black Sea Littoral: A Problem in the Modern Historiography of the Greek Colonization'.

2nd International Symposium '2075 years of Spartacus' Revolt. Thracian-Roman Heritage. 2000 years of Christianity', Sandanski, Bulgaria. 1-4 October 2002. Petropoulos, E.K.: 'Greeks and Thracians: The Greeks by the Black Sea'.

10th International Symposium on the ancient history and archaeology of the Black Sea area 'Urbanism in the Black Sea area in the Archaic and Classical Periods: Polis Hellenis and Polis Barbaron', Vani. 23-26 September 2002. Petropoulos, E.K.: '*Emporion* and Apoikia-Polis in the Northeast Black Sea Area during the 6th and 5th centuries BC: an

urbanistic view’.

2000

1st International Conference ‘Greeks and Natives in the Kimmerian Bosphorus’, Taman, South Russia. 8-15 October, 2000. Petropoulos, E.K: ‘The ‘small cities’ of the Bosporan Kingdom and Attica: some new aspects of the problem’.

1999

1st Panhellenic Conference of Epigraphic, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Faculty of Philosophy, Thessaloniki, Greece. 22-23 October 1999. Petropoulos, E.K: ‘From the epigraphic and archaeological research of the Greek colonization of the North Black Sea’.

1997

Meeting organized by the Pontian Association of Serres Prefecture ‘Euxeinus Pontus Club’, Serres, Greece. 12 May, 1997. Petropoulos, E.K: ‘The Greek City in the Northwest Pontus during the 6th Century BC’.

International Conference on Hellenism in the Former Soviet Union ‘Beyond the Sympligades’, Antoniadios School of Letters and Art, Municipal Council of Veria, Greece. 9-11 May, 1997. Petropoulos, E.K: ‘The Mass Migration of the Ancient Greeks on the Coast of the Kimmerian Bosphorus (6th-5th Century BC)’.

1996

International Scientific Conference, The Ukraine – Greece: friendly relations and prospects of cooperation, Marioupol, the Ukraine. 24-26 May, 1997. Petropoulos, E.K: ‘Small cities of Attica and the European Bosphorus: categories and historical-archaeological parallels’.

Participation in Encyclopedias:

Author of 11 entries for the ‘Digital Encyclopedia of the Hellenic World’, of the Foundation of the Hellenic World (web: <http://www.ehw.gr/ehw/forms/Default.aspx>)

Author of 2 entries for the ‘Encyclopedia of Ancient World’ edited by Roger Bagnall, Kai Brodersen, Craige Champion, Andrew Erskine & Sabine Huebner. By Wiley Blackwell (web: <http://www.encyclopediaancienthistory.com/default.asp>)

SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS:

Conference Proceedings:

Petropoulos, E.K. (2016) “Colonisation and Landscape Transformation: Cross- Cultural Interactions in the Cimmerian Bosphorus Region”, proceedings: “Bifocal Perspectives on the Black Sea: Macro- and Microcosms”. International Scientific Conference, Aarhus University, Institute of Advanced Studies, 5-9 April 2016. (<http://aias.au.dk/events/bifocal-perspectives-on-the-black-sea/>).

Petropoulos, E.K. (2016) “Greek Traditions in the Rural Territory of the Bosporan Kingdom during the Roman Period”, proceedings: International Scientific Symposium “The Black Sea Region in the Context of the Roman Empire”, held during the 5th – 8th of May 2016 in Athens (Palaion Phaliron), organized by the Committee of the Pontic Studies. Scientific Committee: D. Braund, A. Chaniotis, E. K. Petropoulos (forthcoming in a special edition of the “Archeion Pontou”).

Petropoulos, E.K. (2010) “The water routes and the ancient Greek colonial policy in the Black Sea through the archaic period”, proceedings: “2nd Panhellenic Symposium of Historical Geography”, University of Aegean, Mytilene 16-18 of September 2010. Publication in the Materials of the Symposium, Thessaloniki 2012.

Petropoulos, E.K. (2007) “Colonial Landscapes and Colonial Interactions in Skythia and in Euxeinos Pontos”, proceedings: “*Symposium on Greek Colonization across the Mediterranean*”. 25–29 March 2007, Faculty of Classics, University of Cambridge, Fitzwilliam College.

Petropoulos, E.K. (2005), ‘Issues on Greek Colonization: Greek Settlers and Native Population in Northern Euxeinos Pontos’, read at the ‘Symposium on Greek Colonization Across the Mediterranean’, 25-29 of March 2007, Faculty of Classics, Fitzwilliam College, University of Cambridge (forthcoming).

Petropoulos, E.K. (2005), ‘The Greek Colonization of the Black Sea Area: the early stage’ – International Scientific Congress on ‘Russia and the Mediterranean’ at Athens University, 19-22 of May 2005. Also member of the Organizing Committee (forthcoming).

Petropoulos, E.K. (2004) “Colonial Encounters in the Black Sea Region: *Dating Problems of the earliest Kimmerian Bosphoros Greek Cities*”, proceedings: International conference on the “Bosporskiy Fenomen” (Phenomenon of the Bosporan kingdom): the problems of dating, St. Petersburg, Russia, March 2004.

Petropoulos, E.K. (in press) “Early Greek pottery on the Northern Black Sea and in Italian Campania: Parallels in Creating the Colonial ‘*Middle Ground*’”, proceedings: “*The Ancient Cultures of the Pontic Area and their Association to the Sea*”, 8th International Symposium THRACIA PONTICA, in Sozopol, Bulgaria, 13-19 September 2003.

Petropoulos, E.K. (in press) “*Emporion* on the Black Sea Littoral: a problem in the modern historiography of the Greek colonization”, Proceedings: Scientific Conference

in honour of the 80th Anniversary of Dr. Liuba Ognenova-Marinova, Archaeological Institute of the Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia 11 December, 2002.

Petropoulos, E.K. (in press) “Greeks and Thracians. The Greeks by the Black Sea”. Proceedings: 2nd International Symposium “2075 years of Spartacus’ Revolt”. Thracian Roman Heritage. 2000 years of Christianity. Sandanski, Bulgaria, 1-4 October 2002.

Petropoulos, E.K. (in press) “Mass Migration of the Ancient Greeks to the Coast of the Kimmerian Bosphorus (6th-5th centuries BC)”, proceedings: International Conference on The Hellenism of the former Soviet Union “Beyond the Sympligades”. Antoniadis School of Letters and Art, Municipal Council of Veria, Greece. 9-11 May 1997, in Greek.

Petropoulos, E.K. (in press) “*Emporion* and Apoikia-Polis in the Northeast Black Sea Area during the 6th and 5th centuries BC: an urbanistic view”, proceedings: 10th International Symposium on the ancient history and archaeology of the Black Sea area. “Urbanism in the Black Sea Area in the Archaic and Classical Periods: Polis Hellenis and polis Barbaron”. Vani, Georgia, 23-26 September 2002.

Petropoulos, E.K. (2001) “From the Epigraphic and Archaeological Research of the Hellenic Colonization of the Black Sea”, proceedings: 1st Panhellenic Conference on Epigraphic. 22-23 October, 1999. Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Faculty of Philosophy, pp. 125-135, in Greek with summary in English.

Petropoulos, E.K. (1996) “The ‘small cities’ of Attica and the European Bosphorus: Categories and historical – archaeological parallels”, proceedings: International Scientific Conference, ‘The Ukraine –Greece: friendly relations and the prospect of cooperation’ Marioupol, the Ukraine, 24-26 May, 1996, pp. 29-30, in Russian with summary in English.

Journal Publications:

Petropoulos, E.K. (2001) The Taurus Peninsula: history of the research of the early settlement. *Archaeology and Arts*, 81.

Petropoulos, E.K. (2001) The Greek city in the Northeast Black Sea during the 6th and 5th centuries BC: the urbanistic formation of the Bosphorus Kingdom. *Makednon*, 9. (Journal of the Pedagogic Faculty in Florina, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece).

Petropoulos, E.K. (2000) A few aspects of the early history of the Black Sea: the arrival and the first permanent settlement of the Greeks. *Archaeology and Arts*, 76.

Petropoulos, E.K. (1997) Greek colonies of the Black Sea. *Archaeology and Arts*.

Book Publications-Editions:

Grammenos, Dimitrios V. & Petropoulos, Elias K. (eds.), “Ancient Greek Colonies in the Black Sea”. 2 volumes. Published by the Archaeological Institute of Northern Greece and the Archaeological Receipts Fund (Greek Ministry of Culture). Thessaloniki, 2003.

Petropoulos, E.K., “Problems in the history and archaeology of the Greek colonization of the Black Sea”, in Grammenos Dimitrios V. & Petropoulos Elias K., (eds.), *Ancient Greek Colonies in the Black Sea*, 17-92. Published by the Archaeological Institute of Northern Greece and the Archaeological Receipts Fund (Greek Ministry of Culture), Thessaloniki, 2003, vol. 1.

Grammenos Dimitrios V. & Petropoulos, Elias K., (eds.), “Ancient Greek Colonies in the Black Sea – II”. 2-volume edition. Published by the British Archaeological Reports International Series 1675. Oxford, 2007.

Petropoulos, E.K. (monograph) “Hellenic Colonization in Euxeinos Pontos: Penetration, Early Establishment, and the Problem of “*emporion*” Reconsidered”, In *British Archaeological Reports International Series 1394*. Oxford, 2005.

Petropoulos, Elias K. & Alexander A. Maslennikov, (eds.), *Sacral Monuments in the Black Sea Area*. Thessaloniki, 2010.

Petropoulos, Elias K., “Apollo’s Cult in the Black Sea Greek Cities”, In Petropoulos Elias K. & Alexander A. Maslennikov, (eds.), *Sacral Monuments in the Black Sea Area*. Thessaloniki, 2010.

Petropoulos, Elias K., “Homer and the East on Aegean Crossroads (Όμηρος και Ανατολή στο σταυροδρόμι του Αιγαίου)”. *Kleidarithmos: Athens (Monograph, Athens 2018, in Greek with extend English summary, Pp. 531)*.

Braund D. & Elias K. Petropoulos, “The Ancient World of the Black Sea” (forthcoming in Routledge, in 2022). Dedicatory volume of the 70th Anniversary of A. A. Maslennikov (Institute of Archaeology, Russian Academy of Sciences, Moscow). Containing 41 articles on Black Sea Antiquities by different specialists, including Historians, Epigraphists and Archaeologists.

Petropoulos, Elias K., “Myths’ Great Journey: between Ancient Greece and the Near East (Το μεγάλο ταξίδι των μύθων ανάμεσα στον αρχαίο ελληνικό κόσμο και την Εγγύς Ανατολή)”. *Kleidarithmos: Athens (Monograph, Athens 2021, in Greek with extend English summary, Pp. 500)*.

Book Reviews:

1) Bryn Mawr Classical Review (BMCR, internet), 18/12/2005. David Braund (ed.), *Scythians and Greeks: Cultural Interactions in Scythia, Athens and the Early Roman Empire (sixth century BC - first century AD)*. Exeter: University of Exeter Press, 2005. Web: <http://ccat.sas.upenn.edu/bmcr/2005/2005-12-19.html>

2) Bryn Mawr Classical Review (BMCR, internet), 20/02/2006. Irad Malkin (ed.),

Mediterranean Paradigms and Classical Antiquity. London and New York: Routledge, 2005. Web: <http://ccat.sas.upenn.edu/bmcr/2006/2006-02-41.html>

3) Bryn Mawr Classical Review (BMCR, internet), 06/03/2007. Octavian Bounegru, *Trafiquants et navigateurs sur le Bas-Danube et dans le Pont Gauche à l'époque romaine*. PHILIPPIKA. Marburger Altertumskundliche Abhandlungen 9. Wiesbaden: Harrassowitz, 2006. Web: <http://ccat.sas.upenn.edu/bmcr/2007/2007-03-17.html>

4) Bryn Mawr Classical Review (BMCR, internet), 03/05/2007. Pia Guldager Bilde, Vladimir F. Stolba, *Surveying the Greek Chora: The Black Sea Region in a Comparative Perspective*. *Black Sea Studies*, 4. Denmark: Aarhus University Press, 2006. Web: <http://ccat.sas.upenn.edu/bmcr/2007/2007-05-06.html>

5) American Journal of Archaeology, 111.4 (October, 2007), p. 811-2. *Rome and the Black Sea Region: Domination, Romanisation, Resistance*. Proceedings of the Fifth International Conference, University of Southern Denmark, Esbjerg, January 23-26, 2005. Edited by T. Bekker-Nielsen. Web: <http://www.ajaonline.org/index.php?ptype=toc>

6) Elias K. Petropoulos, Bryn Mawr Classical Review (BMCR, internet). I. A. Oltean, *Dacia: Landscape, Colonization, Romanization*. Routledge Monographs in Classical Studies. Routledge Taylor & Francis Group. London/New York: Routledge, 2007. Web: <http://ccat.sas.upenn.edu/bmcr/2008/2008-09-10.html>

7) Elias K. Petropoulos, Bryn Mawr Classical Review (BMCR, internet). Tsetskhladze, Gocha R. (ed.). *Greek colonisation: an account of Greek colonies and other settlements overseas*, Volume Two. Mnemosyne, Supplementa 193. Leiden; Boston: Brill, 2006. Web: <http://ccat.sas.upenn.edu/bmcr/2009/2009-03-14.html>.

8) Elias K. Petropoulos, American Journal of Archaeology. Docter, Roald, Kristina Panayotova, Jan de Boer, Lieve Donnellan, Winfred van de Put, Babette Bechtold. *Apollonia Pontica 2007*. Department of Archaeology, Ghent University, Gent 2008. (<https://www.ajaonline.org/book-review/953>).

Translation of Russian Scientific books into Greek:

1) V. I. Sarianidi, *Royal Tombs in Bactria* (Thessaloniki, 1995). Part-translation and editorial work.

2) A. A. Maslennikov, *Ancient Greeks on the Northern Black Sea Littoral*. (Thessaloniki, 2000).

3) Uspenskij F. I., Benesevic V. N., *The ACTA of the Vazelon Monastery: Issues of rural and the monasterial land property in the Byzantine Empire during the 13th – 15th centuries*. (Thessaloniki, 2007).

4) V. I. Sarianidi, *Zoroastrism: The new homeland of the ancient religion*. (Thessaloniki, 2009).