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## EDUCATION

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| 1987-93 | PhD (International Relations) | Keele University, Keele, UK |
| 1984-87 | BA Hons (International Relations) | Keele University, Keele, UK |
| 1983-84 | A'Levels | Stevenson College, Edinburgh, UK |
| 1979-80 | O'Levels | Fettes College, Edinburgh, UK |

Thesis Supervisor: Professor Alan James.
Passed the oral examination without any corrections.

## GENERAL RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Conflict Resolution and International Development
- Non-Western Approaches to IR
- Cross-Civilizational Dialogue
- Islamic Political Thought

## CAREER HISTORY

September 1997 to Date:

**Department of International Relations, University of Nicosia**, 46 MakedonitissasAvenuue, 1700 Nicosia, Cyprus:

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| September 1997: | ***Assistant Professor*** |
| September2002: | ***Associate Professor*** |
| September 2003: | ***Dialogue Chair in Middle Eastern Studies*** |
| February 2010: | ***Full Professor (Deputy Head of Department Since January 2015)*** |

May 2010-March 2014: ***Founder/Executive Director*****, Diplomatic Academy**; University of Nicosia; training Cypriot diplomats upon recruitment to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Republic of Cyprus. First round of training offered to 34 diplomats in May and June 2010.

1997-2005: ***Director of Research,*** **Centre for World Dialogue**, 39 Riga Fereou Street, CY-1087, Nicosia, Cyprus.

1991-97: ***Coordinator*, Friends of Cyprus All-Party British Parliamentary Group**, Houses of Parliament, London SW1A OAA**,** U.K.

Fellowships and Visiting Professorship:

Honorary Fellow, Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, University of St. Andrews, Scotland, United Kingdom.

Spring semester 2018: Visiting Scholar, Institute for Middle Eastern Studies, Elliot School of International Affairs, George Washington University, Washington DC.

February 2012: Visiting Professor at Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS), Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada.

Spring Semester 2007: Visiting Fellow at the Centre for Peace and Conflict Studies, University of St. Andrews, Scotland, United Kingdom.

1997 to date:

**University of Nicosia**

**Responsibilities:**

- Deputy Head of Department
- Teaching core course in BA & MA programs
- Curriculum Review of BA and MA Courses
- Member of The Research Committee
- Supervising MA and PhD theses
- Member of the School Ranking Committee
- Organizing Summer School
- Organizing Regular Scholarly Events

**Teaching Experience:**

- Peace, Security and the United Nations (MA)
- Conflict Analysis (BA & MA)
- International Mediation and Negotiation (MA)
- Theory of International Relations (BA & MA)
- Political Philosophy (BA & MA)
- Politics of the Middle East (BA & MA)
- International Organizations (BA)

**Achievements:**

- Produced major publications including three monographs, two edited volumes and many articles and chapter contributions.
- Assumed the editorship of *The Cyprus Review* for eight years (1998-

2006), during which time I turned the journal into a peer-reviewed and internationally recognized biannual publication on Cypriot affairs.
- Participated in nearly one hundred international events that includes conferences, seminars and delivering lectures in universities and global think-tanks.
- Organized nearly fifty international conferences, seminars, lectures and meetings with participation of leading figures from around the globe.
- Successfully proposed and persuaded the University to establish the Dialogue Chair in Middle Eastern Studies in 2003 and holding the Chair ever since.
- Raised funds and attracted sponsorship from prestigious sources to the amount of $200,000 for the Dialogue Chair.
- Proposed and co-founded the Diplomatic Academy, affiliated to the University of Nicosia, in 2010 and acting as its first executive director; secured contract from the Cyprus Foreign Ministry to train their 34 newly-recruited diplomats.

1997 to 2005:

**Centre for World Dialogue**

**Responsibilities:**

- Directing research and deputizing for the President in his absence;
- Supervising researchers and interns.
- Proposing, researching and organizing international conferences with other international organizations such as UNICEF, UNESCO and Gulf/2000 Project of Columbia University. Helmut Schmidt, Binazir Bhutto, Samuel Huntington, Abdolkarim Soroush, Bishop Kenneth Cragg and Gary Sick have been amongst speakers at these conferences.
- Reviewing research-funding applications (over $250,000).
- Associate Editor of *Global Dialogue*, the quarterly journal of the Centre; authorship by invitation only.

**Achievements:**

- Proposed the launching of the Centre's journal, *Global Dialogue*, in 1999.
- Researched themes for, identified speakers and organized four major international conferences, two of them in collaboration with UNICEF and Rutgers University.
- Produced and edited conference-proceedings.
- Arranged smaller seminars and meetings in cooperation with other think-tanks and NGOs including Gulf/2000 Project and Search for Common Ground.
- Engaged actively in the organizing of an international meeting

between a former hostage, Barry Rosen, and his chief captor, Abbas Abdi, at UNESCO headquarters in Paris in 1999.

1991 to 1997:

**Friends of Cyprus All-Party British Parliamentary Group**

*An amalgamation of MP's, MEP's, Lords and experts seeking to promote the search for a political and democratic solution to the problem of Cyprus:*

***Coordinator*** (A member of the Group since 1997)

**Responsibilities:**

- Analysing, organizing and presenting information suitable to feed decision-making.
- Assessing the state of affairs and preparing policy papers and blueprints for MP and MEPs of the Group.
- Coordinating activities of Member MPs as regarded Cyprus and accompanying them during related visits abroad.
- Producing and editing annual Reports.
- Communicating with political figures and parties in the UK and overseas.
- Liaising with the press and the media.
- Lobbying with the UK government and other belligerent parties to support the activities of the Group.
- Organizing conferences and meetings with decision makers in Cyprus and abroad.
- Arranging the meetings of the Group and drafting the agenda.
- Representing the Group nationally and internationally at the discretion of the Chairman.

**Achievements:**

- Achieved, through lobbying, a twofold enlargement of the number of parliamentary members in the Group to nearly fifty.
- Regularized and edited the publication of the Group's annual Reports.
- Systematized the participation and contribution of members to debates and policy recommendations in UK Parliament and thereby achieved maximum level of official output for the Group.
- Organized unofficial contacts between the leaders of the two communities in Cyprus in 1996.
- Proposed, organized and accompanied senior members of the Group on a special visit to US Congress and the Pentagon in 1996, where several closed-door meetings and extensive discussions with senior congressmen and officials were held.

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Monographs**

**Forthcoming**:

- Historical Dictionary of Cyprus (New Edition), Maryland & Oxford: Scarecrow Press, (due date: 2020).

- *Islamic Critical Thought,* Oxford University Press (due date: 2022).

**Completed:**

- *War & Peace in Islam: A Critique of Islamic/ist Political Discourses*, London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2012.

- *Historical Dictionary of Cyprus*, Maryland & Oxford: Scarecrow Press, 2009.

- *International Peacemaking in Cyprus*, New York: Routledge; London: Hurst & Co., March 1998.

**Edited books**

- *The Challenge of Globalization: Education for Tolerance, Democracy and Sustainable Development* (co-editor), Sage Publications, 2010.

- *Islam and the Middle East: An Insight into Theory and Praxis*, University of Nicosia Press, 2009.

**Editorships**

- AssociateEditor*, GlobalDialogue* (1999 to date), published by the **Centre for World Dialogue** (Featuring the writings of leading thinkers and scholars the journal is dedicated to promoting the exchange of ideas on a broad range of pressing contemporary issues, social, political, economic and cultural. For the past few years the journal comes out only electronically):

Vo. 1, No. 1, Summer 1999, 162 pp. (***the globalization phenomenon***); Vol. 1, No. 2, Autumn 1999, 138 pp. (***weapons and war***); Vol. 2, No. 1, Winter 2000, 141 pp. (***the new universe of faiths***); Vol. 2, No. 2, Spring 2000, 148 pp. (***the united nations: reform and renewal***); Vol. 2, No. 3, Summer 2000, 167 pp. (***sanctions: efficacy and morality***); Vol. 2, No. 4, Autumn 2000,

150 pp. (***terrorism: image and reality***); Vol. 3, No. 1, Winter 2001, 135 pp. (***the dialogue of civilizations***); Vol. 3, Nos. 2-3, Spring/Summer 2001, 139 pp. (***Iran at the crossroads***); Vol. 3, No. 4, Autumn 2001, 156 pp. (***cold wars, old and new***); Vol. 4, No. 1, Winter 2002, 158 pp. (***the fragile biosphere***); Vol. 4, No. 2, Spring 2002, pp. 149 (***the impact of 11 September***); Vol. 4, No. 3, Summer 2002, pp. 157 (***the al-aqsa intifada***); Vol. 4, No. 4, Autumn 2002, 127 pp. (***the era of mass migration***); Vol. 5, Nos. 1-2, Winter/Spring 2003, 155 pp. (***American empire***); Vol. 5, Nos. 3-4, Summer/Autumn 2003, 136 pp. (***the future of Europe***); Vol. 6, Nos. 1-2, Winter/Spring 2004, 131 pp. (***Islam and democracy***)**;** Vol. 6, Nos. 3-4, Summer/Autumn 2004, 160 pp. (***Africa in crisis***); Vol. 7, Nos. 1-2, Winter/Spring 2005, 154 pp. (***humanitarian intervention***); Vol. 7, Nos. 3-4, Summer/Autumn 2005, 148 pp. (***the volatile Caucasus***); Vol. 8, Nos. 1-2, Winter/Spring 2006, 152 pp. (***nuclear perils***); Vol. 8, Nos. 3-4, Summer/Autumn 2006, 141 pp. (***exporting democracy***); Vol. 9, Nos. 1-2, Winter/Spring 2007, 113 pp. (***the rise of china***); Vol.9, Nos. 3-4, Summer/Autumn 2007, (***Europe and Its Muslims***); Vol.10, 2008 (***Latin America Turns Left***); Vol.11, Winter/Spring 2009 (***After Georgia***); Vol. 12, No.1, Winter/Spring 2010 (***Working the Dark Side***);Vol. 12, No. 2, Summer/Autumn 2010 (***Race and Racisms***); Vol. 13, No. 1, Winter/Spring 2011 (***Failed States***);Vol. 14, No. 1, Winter/Spring 2012 (***Networking for Sustainability***); Vol. 14, No. 2, Summer/Autumn 2012 (***Slavery Today***); Vol. 15, No. 1, Winter/Spring 2013 (***Genocide***); Vol. 15, No. 2, Summer/Autumn 2013 (***Water: Cooperation or Conflict?***).

- Editor, *The Cyprus Review* (1998-2006: Vol. 9 to Vol. 18), published by **University of Nicosia** (A bi-annual, refereed journal that focuses on Cyprus, engaging with and commenting on the social, economic and political issues pertinent to the island):

Vol. 9, No. 2, Fall 1997, 136 pp; Vol. 10, No. 1, Spring 1998, 112 pp; Vol. 10, No 2, Fall 1998, 150 pp; Vol. 11, No. 1, Spring 1999, 126 pp; Vol. 11, No. 2, Fall 1999, 116 pp; Vol. 12, No. 1, Spring 2000, 140 pp; Vol. 12, No. 2, Fall 2000, 158 pp; Vol. 13, No. 1, Spring 2001, 133 pp; Vol. 13, No. 2, Fall 2001, 143 pp; Vol. 14, No. 1, Spring 2002, 127 pp; Vol. 14, No. 2, Fall 2002, 147 pp; Vol. 15, No. 1, Spring 2003, 184 pp; Vol. 15, No. 2, Fall 2003, 169 pp; Vol. 16, No. 1, Spring 2004, 166 pp; Vol. 16, No. 2, Fall 2004, 127 pp; Vol. 17, No 1, Spring 2005, 163 pp; Vol. 17, No. 2, Fall 2005, 171 pp; Vol. 18, No. 1, Spring 2006, 185 pp.

- Editor, *Friends of Cyprus Report* (1991-2000:Issues 31 to 42) published by the All-Party British Parliamentary Group, **Friends of Cyprus** (Authorship is sought by invitation; an annual Report that includes analysis and commentary by parliamentarians and experts on international political developments affecting and relating to the Cyprus problem):

No. 31, 1991, 18 pp; No. 32, 1991, 24 pp; No. 33, 1992, 16 pp; No. 34, 1992, 28 pp; No 35, 1993, 40 pp; No. 36, 1994, 20 pp; No. 37, 1994, 36 pp; No 38, 1995, 20 pp; No. 39, 1996, 20 pp; No 40, 1997, 12 pp; No 41, 1998, 20 pp; No. 42, 1999, 20 pp; No. 43, 2000, 40 pp.

**Journal Articles**

- "Human Agency, Reason and Justice", *International Studies Review*, Volume 18, Issue1, Oxford University Press, 2016.
- "The Iranian Revolution and Political Realism", *Turkish Policy Quarterly*, Istanbul,

Spring 2013, Vol. 12, No. 1, pp. 77-85.

- "The United Nations and the Cyprus Problem", *The Cyprus Review*, Volume 22, Number 2, Fall 2010, pp.149-158.

- "Camouflaging the Divide or Narrowing the Gap: An Insight Into the Views of Mohammad Khatami on Dialogue of Civilizations", *British Journal of Middle Eastern Studies*, Volume 34, Number 3, December 2007, pp. 305-316.

- "Peacekeeping and Peacemaking: The Example of Cyprus", *Contemporary Review*, Oxford, UK, Volume 288, No. 1680, Spring 2006, pp. 37-46.

- "Shi'ism and Iran's Foreign Policy", *The Muslim World,* Washington DC: Blackwell Publishing, Vol. 94, Issue 4, October 2004, pp. 555-563.

- "Islam and Humanitarian Values", *Refugee Survey Quarterly*, Geneva: UNHCR, Oxford University Press, Vol. 21, No. 3, September 2002, pp. 139-150.

- "Islam and Nationalism", *The Iranian Journal of International Affairs*, Tehran: Institute for International and Political Studies, Vol. XII, No. 4, Winter 2000-2001, pp. 607-621.

- "Conflicting Interests: The UN versus Sovereign Statehood", *Global Dialogue*, Nicosia: Centre for World Dialogue, Volume 2, Number 2, Spring 2000, pp. 78-87.

**Chapters in Books**

- "An Unequal World", in Sundeep Waslekar and IlmasFutehally (eds.), *The Big Questions of Our Time, The World Speaks,* Strategic Foresight Group, Mumbai, India, 2016.

- "Iran and the West: A Nuclear Settlement and its Aftermath", in Elahee and Sadari (eds.), *Reintegrating Iran with the West: Challenges and Opportunities*, Canada: Emerald Press, June 2015.

- "Iran: An On-going Challenge after Three Decades of Revolution" in Ondrej Beranek (ed.), *Iran: Between Power and Civil Society*, Prague: Metropolitan University Prague, 2011.

- "The United Nations and the Cyprus Problem", in Hubert Faustmann & Emilios Solomou (eds.), *Independent Cyprus 1960-2010: Selected Readings*, Nicosia: University of Nicosia Press, 2011.

- "Islam and Liberal Peace" in Farid Mirbagheri et al. (eds.) *The Challenge of Globalization: Education for Tolerance, Democracy and Sustainable Development,* Sage Publications, 2010.

- "Introduction" by Farid Mirbagheri et al, in Farid Mirbagheri et al. (eds.) *The Challenge of Globalization: Education for Tolerance, Democracy and Sustainable*

*Development,* Sage Publications, 2010.

- "Shi'ism and Its Impact on Iran's Politics" in Farid Mirbagheri (ed.) *Islam and the Middle East: An Insight into Theory and Praxis*, Nicosia: University of Nicosia Press, 2009.

- "Introduction" and "Postscript" in Farid Mirbagheri (ed.) *Islam and the Middle East: An Insight into Theory and Praxis*, Nicosia: University of Nicosia Press, 2009.

- "Narrowing the Gap or Camouflaging the Divide: An Analysis of Mohammad Khatami's 'Dialogue of Civilisations'", in Lloyd Ridgeon (ed.) *Iranian Intellectuals 1997-2007*, London and New York: Routledge, 2008.

- "Cultural Precepts and Their Security Impact: Islam and the West", in James Leigh and Eric Loo (ed.) *Outer Limits: A Reader in Intercultural Studies and Communication*, Canberra: Language Australia, 2004.

- "Middle East Perceptions of the United States and the EU", in James Sperling et al (ed.) *EU Enlargement And New Security Challenges In The Eastern Mediterranean*, Nicosia: Intercollege Press, 2004.

- "Political Culture and Its Impact on Politics: The Case of Iran", in Ella Akerman (ed.) *Political Culture Case Studies*, Surrey: Conflict Studies Research Centre, Defense Academy of the United Kingdom, March 2003.

- **"**The Cyprus Problem: History and Prospects", in John Charalambous et al (ed.), *Cyprus: 40 Years on from Independence*, Mannheim: Bibliopolis, 2002.

**Electronic Journals**

- "The Cyprus Crisis and the Day After", *In Depth*, Cyprus Centre for European and International Affairs, Volume 10, Issue 6, December 2013.

- "National Security vs. Human Security: A Conceptual Assessment of Conflicting Narratives in the Middle East" (extended version), *Journal on Southeastern European Security, Strategy and Transatlantic Leadership*, Strategy International, co-sponsored by the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO), Volume IV, October 2012, pp. 19-23.

- "National Security vs. Human Security: A Conceptual Assessment of Conflicting Narratives in the Middle East" (brief version), *In Depth*, Cyprus Centre for European and International Affairs, Volume 9, Issue 3, June 2012.

- "War in Gaza", *In Depth*, Cyprus Centre for European and International Affairs, Volume 6, Issue 1, February 2009.

- "The Response of the Islamic Republic of Iran to the Arab Spring", *In Depth*, Cyprus Centre for European and International Affairs, Volume 9, Issue 2, April 2012.

- "The Middle East and Recent Developments", *In Depth*, Cyprus Centre for European and International Affairs, Volume 8, Issue 2, April 2011.

- "Iran: An on-going Challenge after Thirty Years of Revolution", *In Depth*, Cyprus Centre for European and International Affairs, Volume 6, Issue 6, December 2009.

**Book Reviews & Commentary Articles**

- Kenneth Cragg, *Praise, Penitence and Petition, Common Prayer: A Muslim-Christian Spiritual Anthology*, Oxford: One World Publications, 1999, in *Global Dialogue*, Vol. 2, No. 1, Winter 2000, pp. 131-133.

- Commentary Article, "S-300 Revisited", *The Cyprus Review*, Vol. 10, No. 2, Fall 1998, pp. 137-139.

**Other Publications**

- "Rumi and Confucius: Advancing for World Peace through Peace Within", , Conference Proceedings, *International Confucian Forum- A Dialogue between Asian Civilizations*, International Confucian Association, Beijing, 8-12 July, 2016.

- "What led to Changes in North Africa and the Middle East?" Conference Proceedings in Katherine Clerides (ed.) *Recent Developments in the Eastern Mediterranean: How Should the EU Respond?*, Centre for European Democracy, The University of Nicosia & the Institute of EurodemocracyGlafkosClerides, 2012, pp. 13-23.

- "New Foreign Policy: A Paradigm Shift?", Conference Proceedings in NiyaziKizilyrek (ed.) *Turkey in 21st century: Challenges and Prospects*, Centre for European Studies & the Institute of EurodemocracyGlafkosClerides, 2009, pp. 91-5.

**OTHER RESEARCH DISSEMINATION**

**Conferences Papers:**

- "Why Sadat still Matters"***, 40 Years After the Begin-Sadat Agreement – A Historical Assessment and Future Prospects,*** **The Center for European and International Affairs**& **Dialogue Chair in Middle Eastern Studies,** University of Nicosia, 23 October, 2017.

- "Understanding Brexit and the Election of Trump: A Return of the Nation State?"***The New International Order, The Return of the Nation State and Contemporary***

***Geopolitics,*** **The Center for European and International Affairs,** University of Nicosia, 15-16 June, 2017.

- "Critical Theory and Islamic Mysticism", ***Bridging the Conceptual and Theoretical Divides on Peace and Peacebuilding*****, International Studies Association (ISA),** Baltimore, USA, 22-25 February, 2017.

- "Political Islam in the Eastern Mediterranean", ***Prospects and Challenges in the Eastern Mediterranean***, **ERPIC (European Rim Policy and Investment Council)**, Larnaca, Cyprus, 5-7 December, 2016.

- **"**Rumi and Confucius: Advancing for World Peace through Peace Within", ***A Dialogue between Asian Civilizations***, **International Confucian Forum**, Beijing, 8-12 July, 2016.

- "The Rise and Fall of Islamist Fundamentalism", *Geopolitical Developments and Change in the Eastern Mediterraneanand the Middle East***, The Center for European and International Affairs of the University of Nicosia,** 16 June, 2016.

- "An Islamic Perspective", ***Bridging the Conceptual and Theoretical Divides on Peace and Peacebuilding***, **International Studies Association**, Atlanta, USA, 16-19 March, 2016.

- "The Cyprus Solution: A Two Tier Approach", ***The Cyrus problem, Its Solution and Broader Implications***, **The Center for European Studies and International Affairs**, University of Nicosia, 11 March, 2016.

- "Presidential Theme Panel: Global IR (I): Challenges and Prospects", **International Studies Association (ISA)**, New Orleans, USA, 18-21 February, 2015.

- "Peace and Islamic Gnosticism", **Heart Security Dialogue III**, Afghan Institute for Strategic Studies, Heart, Afghanistan, 27-8 September, 2014.

- "Gnosticism and Its Potential in Resolving the Conflict Between Human Rights and Cultural Relativism in Muslim Countries", ***Global Governance: Engaging New Norms and Emerging Challenges***,**Academic Council on the United Nations System(ACUNS)**, Kadir Has University, Istanbul, Turkey, 19-21 June, 2014.

- "Peace-Building to Secure Power and Peace Within",***Power and Peacebuilding,*****Humanatarian and Conflict Response Institute (HCRI),** The University of Manchester, UK, 12-13 September, 2013.

- "Islamic Critical Theory: A Gnostic Contribution to Peace Discourses", ***Leadership in Global Governance*****,Academic Council on the United Nations System**

**(ACUNS),** University of Lund, Sweden, 17-19 June, 2013.

- "Peace-building to secure peace within", ***The Politics of International Diffusion: Regional and Global Dimensions***, **International Studies Association (ISA)**, San Francisco, 3-6 April, 2013.

- "Analyzing Iran's Policies in the Middle East: Prospects, Challenges and Threats", **Strategy International 4th Annual Conference**, Thessaloniki, Greece, 8-9 March, 2013.

- "Peace Within, Peace Without: An Islamic Critical Approach to Peace", ***Islam and Conflict Transformation***, **Humanitarian and Conflict Response Institute, University of Manchester & Islamic Relief Worldwide**, The University of Manchester, 24 January, 2013.

- "What Led to the Changes in North Africa and the Middle East?" ***Recent Developments in the Eastern Mediterranean: How should the EU respond?*****The Institute for EurodemocracyGlafcosClerides, University of Nicosia and the Centre for European Studies (CES) – Brussels**; University of Nicosia, 30 November, 2012.

- "National Security vs Human Security? A Conceptual Analysis of Conflicting Narratives in the Middle East", ***New Threats and Challenges for Regional Security in the Eastern Mediterranean***, **Centre for European and International Affairs of the University of Nicosia & the Embassy of the Russian Federation in Cyprus and the Representation of Rossotrudnichestvo**, University of Nicosia, 24 April, 2012.

- "Iran and the Arab Spring", ***The Arab Middle East: Political and Strategic Aspects***, **Centre for European and International Affairs of the University of Nicosia & Ministry of Defense, Republic of Cyprus**, University of Nicosia, 13 March, 2012.

- "The Challenge of Change in Iran", ***Iran: Democratization, Civil Society and Human Rights***, **Metropolitan University Prague** in cooperation with the **Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Czeck Republic**, Metroplolitan University Prague, 18 April, 2011.

- "Cyprus and the United Nations", ***Cyprus - 50 Years of Independence; Achievements and Challenges***, **Cyprus Centre of London Metropolitan University**, London, 30, June 2010.

- "New Security Challenges", ***Fear – Fear not!! Reflections on security, threats – Risks: Human Security and vulnerability,*** **Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS)**, **Vienna International Centre, Austrian Parliament**, Vienna, 3 - 6 June, 2010.

- "Islam and Christianity" for the **Islamic Education as a Contribution to Muslim Integration in Europe, University of Vienna,** Constanta, Romania, 15 May, 2010.

- "Cyprus: Political Culture and Regional Proximity – Dialogue of Civilizations", ***The EU and the Middle East: The Role of Cyprus***, **The Dialogue Chair in Middle Eastern Studies** in cooperation with **The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, The Republic of Cyprus**, University of Nicosia, 16 December, 2009.

- "Iran: A Continuing Challenge After Thirty Years of Revolution", ***Current Trends in International Relations***, **Cyprus Centre for European and International Affairs**, University of Nicosia, 12 October, 2009.

- "War & Peace in Islam", ***Exploring the Past, Anticipating the Future*****,International Studies Association (ISA)**, New York, 15-18 February, 2009.

- "The Challenge of Liberal Peace in Post-Conflict Societies: The Case of Iraq", ***The UN and the Global Development Architecture***, **Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS**), Bonn, Germany, 5-7 June, 2008.

- "Constructing Liberal Peace in Iraq in the post-2003 Invasion Phase", ***Bridging Multiple Divides***, **International Studies Association (ISA),** San Francisco,26-29 March, 2008.

- "Peace and Cultural Paradigm", ***Shared Visions and Futures: Education for Sustainable Development across Disciplines and Cultures*****, The University of Cyprus**, **The Dialogue Chair in Middle Eastern Studies**, **University of Nicosia**, **The Cyprus Ministry of Education and Culture** and **The Mediterranean Information Office for Environment, Culture and Sustainable Development**, The University of Cyprus, 15-17 November, 2007.

- "Dialogue or a Clash? A Critical Assessment of Dialogue Among Civilizations", ***The Study of International Organizations: Past, Present and Future?*****Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS**), Ralph Bunche Institute, CUNY, New York, 6-8 June, 2007.

- "Islam and Liberal Peace Project", ***The North-South Divide and International Studies***, **International Studies Association (ISA),** San Diego, 22-25 March, 2006.

- "Temporal religion and/or Spiritual Politics: A Theoretical Analysis of Religious Discourse in Islamic Tradition", ***State, Religion, National Identity and the Advent of the European Union***, **Research and Development Centre in cooperation with Dialogue Chair in Middle Eastern Studies, University of Nicosia**, Nicosia, 18-19 March, 2005.

- "Religious Tolerance and Democracy", ***The Challenge of Globalization: Education for Tolerance, Democracy and Sustainable Development***, **Dialogue Chair in Middle Eastern Studies** in cooperation with **Centre for World Dialogue**, Nicosia, **University of Cyprus, University of Delhi and Nehru Memorial Museum and Library**, Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, New Delhi, 20-22 January, 2005.

- "Human Rights and Human Security in International Relations", ***Human Security: Issues, linkages and Challenges***, **Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS)**, Geneva, Switzerland, 30 June-2 July, 2004.

- "Monopoly of Interpretation or Pluralism of Understanding", ***Middle East: Problems and Prospects***, **Dialogue Chair in Middle Eastern Studies, University of Nicosia**, Nicosia, 18-19 June, 2004.

- "Diplomacy for a Cold Peace and *Realpolitik*: The Case of UN Peacekeeping in Cyprus since 1963", ***Conflict Prevention, Security Issues and EU Enlargement in the Eastern Mediterranean***, **The 2004 Vane Ivanovic Conference,Kingston University**, London, 10-11 June, 2004.

- "GhaemMagham, Amir Kabir and Qavam al-Saltaneh and Their Impact on Iran's Foreign Policy", ***The Fifth Biennial Conference on Iranian Studies,*** Hyatt Regency Hotel, Bethesda, Washington DC, 28-30 May, 2004.

- "The UN and the Cyprus Question: The Record and Future Prospects", ***Cyprus Accession to the EU and the Day After***, **The European Movement, Cyprus Council**, University of Nicosia, Nicosia, 20-21 May, 2004.

- "Religion, Violence and the Middle East: A Global Perspective", ***Democracy and Democratization: A Comparative Assessment***, **Research and Development Centre** in cooperation with the **Dialogue Chair in Middle Eastern Studies**, University of Nicosia, Nicosia, 20-21 February, 2004.

- "Shi'ism and Its Impact on Iran's Foreign Policy", ***Hegemony and Its Discontents*****, International Studies Association (ISA)**, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, March 17-20, 2004.

- "Middle-Eastern Perceptions of the West Before and After the Iraq War", ***Evolving Relationships: European Union Enlargement and New Security Challenges in the Eastern Mediterranean***, **Lyman LemintzerCenter for NATO and European Studies**, University of Nicosia, 16-17 May 2003.

- "Shi'ism and Iran's Foreign Policy", ***Annual Meeting***, **Centre for Iranian Research and Analysis (CIRA)**, California State University, Northridge (CSUN), March 28-30, 2003.

- "The Iraq Crisis and the Civilizational Approach", ***The International Environment after the Iraq Crisis***, **University of Nicosia & Centre for World Dialogue**, **University of Nicosia**, Monday, 3 March 2003.

- "Islam and Human Rights", ***Muslims in Europe***, **Al-Khoi Foundation**, London, 25-26 January 2003.

- "Middle East and Europe: A Security Review", ***The European Union in the 21st Century***, **Centre for European Studies**, Cuba, 3 October 2002.

- "UN Efforts Toward the Resolution of the Cyprus Problem: The Rhetoric and the Record", ***The Cyprus Problem and Cyprus' Accession to the European Union,*** **University of Nicosia,** Nicosia, 4-6 April 2002.

- "Islam and Humanitarian Values', ***Humanitarian Values in the Twenty First Century,*** **Webster University**, Geneva, 21 February 2002.

- "Dealing with the Symptoms or Rooting out the Causes: An Islamic Approach to the Question of Terrorism", ***The USA, the EU and the International Environment after September 11, 2001,*** **University of Nicosia & the European Institute of Cyprus,** Nicosia,3 December 2001.

- "Islam and Universalism", ***Globalization***, **The University of Cyprus**, 17 March 2001.

- "Cyprus, A Problem of Incompatibilities, A Study into the Attitude of Belligerent Parties", ***Cyprus: History and Prospects,*** **The University of North London**, 17 November 2000.

- "Globalization and the Erosion of Sovereignty", ***Erosion of Sovereignty***, **Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS**), Oslo, 16-18 June 2000.

- "Iran-US Foreign Policy, A Comparative Study in Theoretical Framework", ***Iran and the Challenges Ahead*****, Centre for Iranian Research and Analysis (CIRA)**, Hyatt Hotel, Bethesda, Washington DC, 27-27 April 2000.

- "Nationhood, Statehood and the Problem of Cyprus", ***First Mediterranean Programme***, **Robert Schuman Centre**, Florence, 24-26 March, 2000.

- "Confidence-building Measures and the Feel Safe Factor", ***War-torn Societies***, **Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS)**, United Nations HQ, New York, 16-18 June, 1999.

- "Islam and Nationalism", ***Islam and Politics***, **Centre for Iranian Research and Analysis (CIRA)**, Near Eastern University, Boston, 27-28 April, 1999.

- "Peacekeeping and peacemaking: An Accommodation of Functions", ***Fifty Years of Peace-keeping***, **Academic Council on the United Nations System (ACUNS)**, Pearson International Peacekeeping Centre, Nova Scotia, Canada, 16-18 June, 1998.

- "Islamic Dialogue and/or Western Civilization: Epistemological Underpinnings of an Intellectual Encounter", ***Dialogue of Civilizations***, **Institute for International and Political Studies (IPIS)**, Tehran, Iran, 14-17 December, 1997.

- "European Security and the Middle East, Strategic Dependence, Economic Interdependence, Cultural Independence", ***Mediterranean Security in the Post Cold War Era***, **University of Cyprus**, Nicosia, Cyprus, 24-25 November, 1997.

**Seminars, Talks and Panel Participation:**

- **11$^{Th}$ Annual Enriching the Middle East's Economic Future**, Sheraton Hotel, Doha, Qatar, 30 May-1 June, 2016.

- ***Spiritual and Intellectual Safety in the Light of Religious Doctrines*, 12$^{th}$ Doha Interfaith Dialogue Conference**, Sheraton Hotel, Doha, Qatar, 16-17 February, 2016.

- ***The Big Bang and the interfaces of knowledge: towards a common understanding of logic?***, **Wilton Park in partnership with CERN (European Organisation for Nuclear Research)**, Lucens, Switzerland, 9-11 November, 2015.

- "The Changing Middle East: ISIL's Ambitions for an Islamist Takeover", ***Perspectives on Developments in the Middle East and Broader Implications***, **Center for European and International Affairs**, University of Nicosia, 2 December, 2014.

- "Political Islam in the Middle East", ***Roundtable on the Rise of the Islamic State in the Middle East and its Implications for Regional Security***, Department of Social and Political Sciences, University of Cyprus, Nicosia, 24 September, 2014.

- "Perspectives on Recent Developments in the Middle East", Panel Discussion, **Centre for European and International Affairs in cooperation with Department of European Studies and International Relations**, **University of Nicosia**, 17 December, 2012.

- "Iran and the Arab Spring", ***The Meaning of Arab Spring, A Symposium on Regional and International Perspectives***, **PRIO (Norwegian Institute of Peace Research) Cyprus Centre**, Chateau Status, Nicosia buffer zone, 2 December, 2011.

- "New Foreign Policy: A paradigm Shift", ***Turkey in the 21$^{st}$ Century: Challenges and Prospects***, **The Institute for EurodemocracyGlafcosClerides**and **the Centre for European Studies, Brussels,** Journalists'' House, Nicosia, 8 December 2009.

- "Islam and Liberty", ***Problematizing Liberal Peace Project***, **University of Stellonboch**, South Africa, 4 August 2006.

- "Beyond Black and White: Confronting Modern Realities of Racism and Xenophobia in Asia & Europe", ***Talks on the Hill***, organized by **ASEF** (**Asia Europe Foundation**and supported by the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, UK), Barcelona, 13-15 November 2005.

- "The Role of International NGOs in Inter-cultural Dialogue", ***Dialogue of Civilizations: Globalization, Regionalization, and Democratization***, organized by **Toda Institute for Global Peace and Policy Research** in Collaboration with **Dialogue Institute**, **Simon Fraser University,Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue**, Vancouver, Canada, June 14-16, 2003.

- ***Civil Forum Meeting***, organized by **The European Union**, Chania, Greece, 1-4 May 2003.

- ***Meeting on Cultural and Religious Dialogue,*** high-level discussion organized by ***The*** InterAction Council (made up of former Heads of states and governments), Habibi Centre, Jakarta, 10-12 March 2003.

- ***Security and Democratization in West Asia,*** expert-group discussion organized by**The TODA Institute,**Le Meridien, Limassol, Cyprus, 29-31 March 2002.

- ***The Future of Iraq,*** discussion of experts organized by ***Gulf/2000 Project*** of Columbia University, Nicosia Hilton, 15-17 July 2000.

- ***Security in the Persian Gulf,*** several panel discussions organized by **The TODA Institute,**Le Meridien, Limassol, Cyprus, 27-29 May 2000.

- ***High Level Expert Group Meeting on Religion and the Middle East***, organized by the **InterAction Council** (made up of former Heads of states and governments), Le Meridien, Limassol, 30 April-1 May 1999 (chaired by the former German Chancellor, Helmut Schmidt).

**Lectures:**

- ***Iran in International Relation***, **George Washington University**, DC, 19 March 2018.

- ***Prospects and Challenges for Rohani's new Government in Iran,*** Czech Diplomatic Academy, **Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Prague**, 12 September 2013.

- ***Internal and External Challenges Facing Rohani's Government,*** The Oriental Institute, **Czech Academy of Sciences**, Prague, 12 September 2013.

- ***Islamism and Peace in the Middle East,***University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia, USA, 2 April, 2013.

- ***Peace Within, Peace Without: A Paradigm Shift in Securing Global Peace,*** Center for Justice and Peace-Building and Center for Inter-faith Dialogue**, Eastern Mennonite University**, Virginia, USA, 2 April, 2013.

- ***A New Perspective on US Policy on Iran***, **Foundation for Defense of Democracies**, Washington DC, 1 April, 2013.

- ***Islam, West and Democracy,***Aegean University Summer School, Rhodes, Greece, 3 August, 2012.

- ***Peacemaking and Peacekeeping in Cyprus,*** **Aegean University Summer School**, Rhodes, Greece, 2 August, 2012.

- ***A Critique of Dialogue of Civilizations,*** Academic Council on the United Nations System & the Department of Global Studies, **Wilfrid Laurier University**, Waterloo, Canada, 14 February, 2012.

- ***Constructing Liberal Peace in Iraq in the Post-2003 Conflict Phase***, **University of Nicosia**, Cyprus, 23 November, 2011.

- ***Plus ça change: Iran after Thirty Years of Revolution; Cyprus in Search of a Settlement***, Center for Transatlantic Relation, School of Advanced International Studies, **Johns Hopkins University**, Washington DC, 22 September, 2011.

- ***Crisis and Decisions in Cyprus: Euro-Contagion and Prospects for Reunification***, **Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars**, Washington DC, 21 September, 2011.

- ***Cyprus's Strategic Significance: New Directions***, American Hellenic Institute, Washington DC, 20 September, 2011.

- ***Religion in Cyprus,*** **International Summer School on Religion and Public Life**, Tel Aviv University and Boston University, 27 July, 2010.

- ***Iran: Domestic and International Perspectives***, **University of Piraeus**, Athens, 3 December, 2009.

- ***Clash of Civilizations, University of*** **St Andrews**, Scotland, 16 March, 2007.

- ***Iran Under Khatami,*** **University of Glasgow,** Scotland, 26 February, 2007.

- ***The Role of Iran in the Greater Middle East,*****European Rim Policy and Investment Council (ERPIC)**, Hilton Park Hotel, Nicosia, 28 November, 2006.

- ***Cyprus: Entering Another Stalemate?,*** Joint session on Cyprus between **Chatham House** (London) and **University of Nicosia**, University of Nicosia, 23 November, 2005.

- ***Islam and Liberal Peace Theory,*****University of St Andrews**, St Andrews, Scotland, 17 March, 2006.

- ***TheImpact of Shi'ism on Iran's Foreign Policy,*****University of St Andrews**, St Andrews, Scotland, 1 March, 2004.

- ***Religion and International Relations,*** **University of Tehran**, Tehran, 15 October, 2003.

- ***Love and Wisdom in Islamic Mysticism: A Survey of Rumi's Discourse*****, Centre for World Dialogue,** Nicosia, 8 April, 2003.

- ***The Concept of Freedom in Islamic Theology,*** **University of Cyprus**, Nicosia, 12

February, 2002.

- ***Islam and International Relations***, **Vienna Diplomatic Academy**, Vienna, 10 December, 2001.

- ***Shari'ah and Democracy: The State of Law and Politics in Islamic Discourse,*** **National University of Iran**, Tehran, 21 May, 2001.

- ***Religion and Religiosity: The Case of Islam,*** **Centre for World Dialogue,** Nicosia, 14 September, 2001.

- ***Islam and International Relations,*** **University of Kingston,**London, 20 November, 2000.

- ***The UN and Cyprus,*****Association for Cypriot, Greek and Turkish Affairs**, London, 7 May, 1999.

- ***Peacekeeping and Peacemaking,*** Department of Peace Studies, **University of Bradford**, UK, 6 May, 1999.

- ***Nationalism and Cyprus,*** Department of International Relations, **University of Keele**, UK, 5 May, 1999.

- ***Islam and Democracy,*** **Centre for World Dialogue**, Nicosia, 3 September, 1998.

**EVENTS ORGANIZED:**

**Conferences:**

- ***Unthinking the Convention in The Middle East*****, Dialogue Chair in the Middle Eastern Studies**, University of Nicosia,7-8 December, 2018.

- ***The Future of Political Islam*****, (**speakers from Egypt, Lebanon and Iran) organized by **Dialogue Chair in the Middle Eastern Studies**, University of Nicosia, 8 May, 2017.

- ***Iranian Perspective of the New Geopolitics in the Region,*** Keynote address by Iran's Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Dr Kazem Sajjadpour, organized by **Dialogue Chair in the Middle Eastern Studies**, University of Nicosia, 9 December, 2016.

- ***The Future of Cyprus Foreign Policy,*** organized by the**Strategy International and** under the auspices of **The Dialogue Chair in Middle Eastern Studies,** University of Nicosia, 24 January, 2013.

- ***The EU and the Middle East: The Role of Cyprus***, in collaboration with **The Cyprus Ministry of Foreign Affairs,** University of Nicosia, 16 December, 2009.

- ***Peace Perspectives in the Middle East: A Focus on the Arab-Israeli Conflict,*** in cooperation with **Daedalos Institute of Geopolitics**, The University of Nicosia, 25

January, 2008.

- ***Shared Visions and Futures: Education for Sustainable Development across Disciplines and Cultures,*** in cooperation with **The University of Cyprus**, **The Cyprus Ministry of Education and Culture** and **The Mediterranean Information Office for Environment, Culture and Sustainable Development**, The University of Cyprus, 15-17 November, 2007.

- ***State, Religion, National Identity and the Advent of the European Union***, University of Nicosia, 18-19 March, 2005.

- ***The Challenge of Globalization: Education for Tolerance, Democracy and Sustainable Development***, in cooperation with the **University of Cyprus**, **University of Delhi** and **Nehru Memorial Museum and Library**, Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, New Delhi, 20-22 January, 2005.

- ***Middle East: Problems and Prospects***, University of Nicosia, 18-19 June, 2004.

- ***Democracy and Democratization: A Comparative Assessment***, University of Nicosia, Nicosia, 20-21 February, 2004.

- ***Judaism, Christianity & Islam: Divinity in a Political World***, in cooperation with **Georgetown University**, Le Meridien Hotel, Limassol, 3-4 May 1999;
- ***Iran in the 21st Century: Continuity & Change***, in cooperation with **Columbia University**, Nicosia Hilton, 18-20 June, 1999.

- ***Children's Rights & Wrongs,*** in cooperation with **UNICEF,** International Conference Centre, Nicosia, 5-6 November, 1998.

- ***Political Islam & the West***, in cooperation with **Rutgers University**, Nicosia Hilton, 30-31 October, 1997.

**Seminars, Workshops and International Meetings:**

- ***The Role of Social Media in Society and Politics: The Case of Iran,*** presented byProfessor Soltanifar,former Director of Press Division, Ministry of Islamic Guidance, Iran,University of Nicosia, 4 April 2019.

- ***Developments in West Asia***, Round table by three experts in the field, University of Nicosia, 18 April 2016.

- ***Political Islam and/or Islamic Politics: An Insight into Theory and Praxis of Islamic Discourse***, Workshop at **ECPR** (**European Consortium for Political Research**) Joint Sessions of Workshops, Nicosia, 25-30 April, 2006. Paper presentations: Dr Olga Demetriou (Oxford University), Prof. Carl Brown (Princeton University), Mohammed Sajid (Bradford University), Prof. Abdullahi Al-Na'im (Emory University), Dr.Farzin Vahdat (Yale University), Prof. IstarGozaydin (Istanbul Technical University), Dr.RaminJahanbegloo (Tehran University), Mete Hatay (International Peace Research

Institute, Oslo), Farid Mirbagheri (University of Nicosia).

- ***Cyprus: Entering Another Stalemate?***, Joint session on Cyprus between Chatham House (London) and University of Nicosia, University of Nicosia, 23 November, 2005.

- ***Persian Gulf in History,*** in cooperation with **Gulf/2000 Project, Columbia University,** St Raphael Hotel, Limassol, Cyprus, 7-10 October, 2004.

- ***The International Environment after the Iraq Crisis***, University of Nicosia, Monday, 3 March, 2003.

- ***Middle East Professional Media People***, organized by **Search for Common Ground** (Washington-based international NGO), Nicosia Hilton, 24-26 June, 1999.

- ***Captive Meets His Captor,*** Meeting, first of its kind, between the former American hostage in Tehran, Barry Rosen, and his chief captor, Abbas Abdi, UNESCO Headquarters, Paris, 31 July, 1998.

**Lectures:**

- ***German Foreign Policy in Changing Times,*** Lecture by H.E. Dr Gabriela Guellil, the German Ambassador to Cyprus, University of Nicosia, 20 May 2014.

- ***Challenges Facing the Middle East***,Lecture by H.E. Dr M. Mottaki, former Foreign Minister of Iran, University of Nicosia, 3 April, 2014.

- ***The Current Economic Crisis,*** Lecture by George Moschovis, Resident Representative of European Commission in Cyprus, 28 November, 2013.

- ***Iran's Nuclear Developments***, Lecture by H.E. Ambassador Ali Rezaee, The Ambassador of I.R. Iran to Cyprus, 25 November, 2013.

- ***Cyprus and NATO's Partnership for Peace***, Lecture by Dr. Marios P. Efthymiopoulos, CEO & Founder, Strategy International, Think Tank, University of Nicosia, Friday 25 October, 2013.

- ***The Impact of Alexander Dubček, Leader of the Prague Spring, on the Fall of the Iron Curtain,*** Lecture by Slovak Writer, former diplomat and politician, Mr. JozefBanáš, in collaboration with the Slovak Embassy in Cyprus, University of Nicosia, Tuesday, 29 November, 2011.

- ***NATO's New Strategic Concept and Enhanced NATO-UN Cooperation: Legacies, Problems and Prospects,*** Lecture by Dr. Alistair D. Edgar, Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada& Executive Director of Academic Council on the United nations System (ACUNS), University of Nicosia, 3 May, 2011.

- ***Cyprus Transatlantic Identity, NATO's PfP Program & the Opportunity for Collaboration in the Wider Mediterranean Region & the Middle East,*** Lecture by

Dr.MariosEfthymiopoulos, Center for Transatlantic Relations, SAIS, Johns Hopkins University, Washington DC,University of Nicosia, 6 April, 2011.

- ***Recent Developments in the Middle East Peace Process and Their Broader Political Impact: The Quest for Lasting Peace and Stability, Current Obstacles and Future Prospects***,Lecture by theMinister of Foreign Affairs of the Palestinian National Authority, H.E. Dr.RiadMalki, University of Nicosia, 28 January, 2011.

- ***Iran's Nuclear Issue and International Politics,*** Lecture by the Iranian Ambassador to Cyprus H. E. Mr. Ali Rezayee, University of Nicosia, 26 November, 2010.

- ***Challenges and Opportunities faced by Pakistan Within Regional Dynamics,*** Lecture by the Ambassador of Pakistan to Lebanon H. E. Mrs. Raana Rahim, University of Nicosia, 4October, 2010.

- ***An Explanation of United States' Foreign Policy,*** Dialogue Series,Lecture by H. E. Mr. Frank Urbancic, US Ambassador to Cyprus, University of Nicosia, 8 June, 2010.

- ***An Exposition of President Obama's Historic Speech at Cairo University on 4th June 2009,*** Dialogue Series, H. E. Mr. Frank Urbancic, US Ambassador to Cyprus, University of Nicosia, 25 June, 2009.

- ***Gandhian Perspectives on Intercultural Dialogue for Conflict Reduction and Sustainable Development***, Professor N. Radhakrishnan,Chairman, Indian Council of Gandhian Studies,Distinguished Lecture Series on Rethinking International and Intercultural Dialogue, **Dialogue Chair in Middle Eastern Studies in collaboration with the Norwegian Institute of Peace Research (PRIO)**, University of Nicosia, 4 February, 2009.

- ***Intercultural Dialogue or Clash of Civilizations?***ThanosVeremis, Professor of Political History, University of Athens, University of Nicosia, 12 December, 2008;

- ***Transatlantic Relations Under the Obama Administration***, Rick Ridder, President and Co-founder, RBI Strategy and Research, USA, University of Nicosia, 21 November, 2008.

- ***Can God Cry for the Devil?Demonization, Mercy and Dialogue in International Relations,*** Inaugural lecture by Stephen Chan**,** Professor of International Relations, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, Distinguished Lecture Series on Rethinking International and Intercultural Dialogue, Dialogue Chair in Middle Eastern Studies in collaboration with the Norwegian Institute of Peace Research, University of Nicosia, 5 November, 2008.

- ***The Role of International Organizations in Addressing Global Challenges: A US Perspective,*** Lecture by Brian H. Hook,Assistant Secretary of State, Bureau of International Organization Affairs, US State Department, University of Nicosia, 24 October, 2008.

- ***The Role of Small States in International Organizations: The Case of Slovak Republic*****,** Lecture by H.E. Mrs. Anna Turenicova, The Slovak Ambassador to Cyprus, University of Nicosia, 28 November, 2007.

- ***Socialism in Cyprus***,Lecture by Dr.VassosLyssarides (Honorary President of the Socialist Party EDEK and former Speaker of Parliament in Cyprus), University of Nicosia, 27 February, 2006.

- ***The Impact of Lobbying on US Legislation***, Lecture by John Zimmerman, University of Nicosia, 16 November, 2005.

- ***Oral History of Cyprus: A Personal Perspective,*** Lecture by Dr.VassosLyssarides (Honorary President of the Socialist Party EDEK and former Speaker of Parliament in Cyprus), University of Nicosia, Nicosia, 31 October, 2005.

- ***Challenges & Opportunities For The United States In The Middle East: A Critical Analysis of U.S. Policy In The Region,*** Keynote address given by Ambassador Robert Pelletreau (former US Assistant Secretary of State, 1994-97), University of Nicosia, 12 April, 2005.

**Other Scholarly Work:**

- Produced reports for the European Council on Foreign Relations, London, U.K. on:
  - Arab-Israeli Dispute (2012)
  - North African Countries (2013)
  - Littoral Countries of the Persian Gulf (2014)

- Reviewer for the *Review of international Studies*, Cambridge University Press.
- Reviewer for *Roundtable*; Routledge.
- Reviewer for *Democratization*, Routledge.
- Reviewer for *Disasters*, Overseas Development Institute, UK.
- Reviewer for *Muslim World Journal of Human Rights*,De Gruyter, Germany.
- Member of the International Advisory Board, *the Cyprus Review*, University of Nicosia.
- Member of the Advisory Board, *The JMC Review***,** an Interdisciplinary Social Science Journal of Criticism, Practice and Theory, University of New Delhi.

**MEDIA**

- Numerous appearances on the news and commentary programs including the BBC and other English-language media outlets in Cyprus and Greece.

- Monthly columnist on the Middle East and Islamic affairs for the English-language weekly in Cyprus, Sunday Mail.

- "'The Deal' becomes a hard sell in Iran too", *TheWashington Times,* Wednesday 12 August, 2015.

**FUNDING SECURED**

- **G. Leventis Foundation,** based in the UK: 160,000 Euros ($200,000) in respect of the Dialogue Chair in Middle Eastern Studies between 2007 and 2011.

- **UNESCO**: $20,000, towards a project involving a conference on 'Sustainable Development' organized by the University of Cyprus in collaboration with the Dialogue Chair in Middle Eastern Studies (Cyprus, November 2007) in 2006 and a publication on the topic.

- **Diana Shipping,** based in Cyprus: 15,000 CYP ($34,000) in respect of the Dialogue Chair in Middle Eastern Studies between 2003 and 2006.

**OTHER EXPERIENCE**

- Volunteer Mentor, assisting refugees with professional background to find suitable placement, UNHCR Nicosia, 2010.

- Member of the Scientific Board of *Strategy International*.

- Member of the Board of Governors of the Junior School and the Senior School in Nicosia, Cyprus, 2007-2011.

- Member of the Executive Board, Institute for the Study of Conflict, Security and Development (CSDS), Richmond University, London, UK.

- President of Faculty Union (over 300 members), University of Nicosia, 2001-2003; negotiated a new Collective Agreement with the management.

- Member of the original Management Committee of *Jubilee 2000* in London (an international organization seeking the remission of the backlog of unpayable debt by the developing world) headed by its founder Martin Dent, 1994-1997.

**LANGUAGES & COMPUTER SKILLS**

- **English:** fluent, spoken and written.
- **Persian:** fluent, spoken and written.
- **Greek:** semi-fluent, spoken and written.
- **Arabic:** basic but with good knowledge of the grammar.
- **French:** basic with good knowledge of the grammar.

Microsoft Word, Spreadsheets, Power-Point and the internet used extensively and regularly.

**PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

- Member of the *Academic Council on the United Nations System* (ACUNS).
- Member of *International Studies Association* (ISA).
- Member of International Society for Iranian Studies (ISIS).