

7th Annual Report
of the
Greek Politics Specialist Group
January 2011

Aims and Membership

2010 Accounts

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Draft 2011 Action Plan

Background:

The *Greek Politics Specialist Group* (GPSG) was established by the approval of the Political Studies Association (PSA) Executive Committee at its July 2004 meeting. The original application form was submitted by Roman Gerodimos (Bournemouth) and Maria Zisouli (AUERB), Convenors-Designate; it was backed by 64 prominent academics and researchers of Greek politics in the United Kingdom and Greece.

The GPSG's aims are:

- To promote the understanding of Greek government and politics via the encouragement of systematic research and teaching.
- To strengthen the ties between the UK and Greek academic communities and facilitate the exchange of research and expertise between the two countries.
- To support comparative and interdisciplinary political analysis, by collaborating with other PSA Specialist Groups and academic research centres, and by highlighting an expanding body of work on public administration, international affairs, psephology, political communication, political marketing, political theory etc.
- To provide UK-based scholars of (and from) Greece with a much-needed forum for the free exchange of ideas and to facilitate networking within the academic community.

Current Membership: 231 (as of 27 January 2011)

of which

- 41 are Full Members
- 91 are Affiliate Members
- 99 are members that have not yet transferred to the new membership scheme

GPSG Structure

Convenors

Dr Roman Gerodimos (Bournemouth University)

Dr Andrew Liaropoulos (University of Piraeus)

Executive Committee

Dr Dimitris Tsarouhas (Bilkent University)

Dr Stella Ladi (Panteion University)

Antonios Aggelakis (University of Crete)

Dr Vasilis Leontitsis (LSE)

Advisory Committee

Prof Theodore Chadjipadelis (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

Prof Prodromos Yannas (Technological Educational Institution of Western Macedonia)

Dr Ioannis Andreadis (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)

Dr Anastasios Chardas (University of Sussex)

Dr Marina Petrelli (University of Athens)

Dr Athanassios Samaras (University of Piraeus)

Dr Anna Vallianatou (University of Athens)

Dr Chrisanthos Tassis (University of Peloponnese)

Dora Giannaki (Queen Mary, University of London)

Manto Lampropoulou (University of Athens)

2010	INCOME	EXPENSES	
	<i>Carried forward from 2009: £41.70</i>	GPSG Fieldwork Competition Prize ("Greece Beyond the Crisis")	£400.00
	£950 <i>(PSA Funding)</i>	Customer relations database (stage 1)	£200.00
	£93.90 <i>(membership fees: £36 NatWest £57.90 PayPal)</i>	Website design and maintenance services	£200.00
		Podcast editing and uploading	£50.00
		Promotional material	£22.90
		Equipment (printer, scanner & photocopier)	£68.97
		Telephones	£57.57
		Postage	£18.04
		Stationery	£16.77
		Website domain and hosting	£35.00
TOTAL	£1,085.60	TOTAL	£1,069.25
		<i>Carried forward to 2011</i>	£16.35

Review of 2010 Action Plan

No	Action Description	Outcome / Revisions
1	Develop Working Paper series	Achieved & Ongoing
2	Launch 2 nd annual prize competition for the Graduate Student Conference of Princeton University's Hellenic Program, May 2010	Removed (replaced by -6-)
3	Develop the edited volume of the proceedings from the 2009 International Conference on "Images of Nations: Strategic Communication, Soft Power and the Media", organised under the auspices of the Greek Ministry of Foreign Affairs (funding secured)	In progress
4	Draft new constitution and launch consultation/approval process (Full Members only)	Completed
5	Implement organisational/structural changes including committee membership and appointment of executive positions	Completed
6	Launch competition for GPSG-sponsored small research project (fieldwork)	Completed
7	Convene panels and roundtable at the 60 th annual conference of the PSA (Edinburgh) and prepare proposals for the 61 st annual conference (2011).	Completed
8	Establish ties with affiliate organisations and develop ties with existing collaborators	Achieved & Ongoing
9	Introduce "Media Experts" service [Full Members only]	In progress
10	Consider the strategic role of the Thematic Networks	In progress

Draft Action Plan for 2011

No	Action Description	Timeline
1	Develop Working Paper series	Ongoing
2	Convene panels at the 61 st annual conference of the PSA (London, 2011) and produce podcast	Spring 2011
3	Develop the edited volume of the proceedings from the 2009 International Conference on “Images of Nations: Strategic Communication, Soft Power and the Media”, organised under the auspices of the Greek Ministry of Foreign Affairs (funding secured)	Ongoing / late 2011
4	Prepare panel proposals for the 62 nd annual conference of the PSA	Autumn 2011
5	Convene GPSG panel at the 2011 ECPR General Conference, Reykjavik	Summer 2011
6	Launch 3 rd annual GPSG competition (paper or research fieldwork)	Summer 2011
7	Produce Directory of Members with research interests, contact details and media availability	Spring/Summer 2011
8	Establish ties with affiliate organisations and develop ties with existing collaborators	Ongoing
9	Explore options for an Athens-based seminar or event	Spring/Summer 2011
10	Seek funding for the production of a special publication (booklet) on the theme of “Greece: Beyond the Crisis”	Summer 2011