



## Mourning the Passing of Prof. Phil Taylor



It is with great sadness and shock that the Greek Politics Specialist Group (GPSG) learned of the death, on 6 December 2010, of Prof. Phil Taylor, Professor of International Communications at the University of Leeds.

The GPSG had the privilege of being associated with Prof. Taylor, who was the keynote speaker at our 2009 [“Images of Nations”](#) conference in Athens, Greece. Dr Athanassios Samaras, Academic Convenor of the conference, said that Phil was a “top scholar and a pillar” of the field of strategic communications and propaganda: “He contributed seminal ideas and research. Some of the finer researchers on the field were his students. It was really an honour to have him as a keynote speaker”, said Samaras. Dr Athina Karatzogianni, who participated in the conference, called Phil a “prolific researcher, an inspiring scholar and a fantastic conversationalist indeed”.

The Executive Committee of the Greek Politics Specialist Group would like to extend its condolences to Prof. Taylor’s family and colleagues.

### Links:

University of Leeds announcement:

[http://www.leeds.ac.uk/forstaff/news/article/1328/professor\\_philip\\_taylor](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/forstaff/news/article/1328/professor_philip_taylor)

Prof. Phil Taylor’s website:

<http://ics.leeds.ac.uk/details.cfm?id=18>

Prof. Phil Taylor’s keynote presentation at the 2009 GPSG “Images of Nations” Conference:

[http://www.gpsg.org.uk/athens/docs/GPSG\\_Athens\\_2009\\_Taylor.ppt](http://www.gpsg.org.uk/athens/docs/GPSG_Athens_2009_Taylor.ppt)