

## GPSG Newsflash

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Dear All,

The following three items may be of interest to colleagues:

### **(1) GPSG Working Paper 16**

**The Gift of the Monks and the Economic Avaton of Athos:  
Re-evaluating the relationship between Church and State in Greece**  
Dr Michelangelo Paganopoulos (Goldsmiths, University of London)

For an issue that rocked the Greek political system and contributed to public mistrust of government (although it does not appear to have eroded attitudes towards the Church), the Vatopedi scandal has received little attention in the scholarly literature. In the 16th addition to the GPSG Working Paper Series, Dr Michelangelo Paganopoulos (Goldsmiths) reflects on the Vatopedi affair based on his own fieldwork at Mount Athos and highlights interesting tensions between the principles and realities of monastic life there.

The paper, along with others in the series, is available on our website at

<http://www.gpsg.org.uk/publications/working-papers/>

### **(2) Crisis and Populism: Leverhulme Lectures with Yannis Stavrakakis** **Queen Mary, University of London**

The TheoryLab at Queen Mary invites you to three Leverhulme Lectures with Prof Yannis Stavrakakis this autumn. Yannis Stavrakakis is currently Leverhulme Visiting Professor in the School of Politics & International Relations, and he will be lecturing on 'Crisis and Populism'. The first Lecture is on Wednesday 29 October, and there is a reception afterwards. At each Lecture we are joined by a discussant: Dany Nobus, Engin Isin and Chantal Mouffe respectively.

The programme for the lecture series is attached. A poster is available at:

[https://dl.dropboxusercontent.com/u/6523371/leverhulmelectures\\_poster3.pdf](https://dl.dropboxusercontent.com/u/6523371/leverhulmelectures_poster3.pdf)

### **(3) Call for Papers: *Science and Society* (Επιστήμη και Κοινωνία)**

A call for papers is attached for a special issue of the Greek scholarly journal *Epistimi kai Koinonia* (*Science and Society*) on the topic of 'Conspiracy Theories in Politics' to be edited by

profs. Vassiliki Georgiadou, Nicolas Demertzis and Tereza Capelos. The deadline for full papers is 1 March 2015. Please note the call is in Greek. More info is available at:  
<http://www2.media.uoa.gr/sas/pages/info.html>

Best wishes

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- on behalf of the GPSG Executive Committee

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