

## GPSG Newsflash

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Dear Colleagues,

A couple of items that may be of interest:

### 1. GPSG Working Paper #18

#### **Migrant Lived Experiences and Resistance to the Securitisation of Migration in Greece: The Modern '300'**

Georgios Karyotis and Dimitris Skleparis

In January 2011, approximately 300 irregular migrants in Greece went on a 44-day hunger strike, which attracted public (albeit short-lived) attention and led to certain concessions from the state with regard to their legal status. Drawing on 52 face-to-face interviews, this study by Karyotis and Skleparis, funded by the Carnegie Trust, focuses on migrants' own motivations, narratives and lived experiences and provides us with important insights on an aspect of the immigration debate that is usually overlooked.

The paper is attached and can also be freely accessed on our website at

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

### 2. Images of Nations: International Crises, Soft Power and Strategic Communication

**Workshop on Rhetoric & Persuasion and GPSG Book Launch  
University of Piraeus**

Monday, 15 December, 9am-8:30pm

The Greek Politics Specialist Group in collaboration with the University of Piraeus invites you to a one-day conference on rhetoric and persuasion, focusing on international crises, soft power and strategic communication. The conference will take place this coming Monday and will include the launch of the GPSG's first book in Greece. The programme and poster for the conference are attached [in Greek].

As this is the last GPSG Newsflash of 2014, and on behalf of my colleagues at the Executive Committee, may I take this opportunity to wish you all a happy Christmas and all the best for the New Year.

Kind regards,  
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