



Online workshop

US politics and transatlantic relations after the 2020 elections

organized by
the Department of Political Sciences (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)
and
the Department of Political Science (University Of Alabama)

19-20 May 2021

Program

Day 1. 19 May 2021. 10.00 CDT (Tuscaloosa) and 18.00 EET (Thessaloniki)

US politics after Trump

18.00-18.10 Welcome by university authorities, organizers, and introduction to the objectives of the workshop

18.10 – 19.20 Session 1: Analysis and lessons from the electoral results

Chair: Theodore Chadjipantelis (professor, AUTh). Duration 70' (speakers 7-10')

- George Hawley (associate professor, UoA): *The current state of polarization and negative partisanship in politics*
- Ioannis Andreadis (professor, AUTh): *The U.S. voter vis-a-vis the Greek voter: Similarities and Differences*
- Rich Fording (professor, UoA): *The U.S. Extreme Right*
- Ioanna Kostarella (assistant professor, AUTh): *Misinformation, echo chambers and political polarization*

19.20-19.30. Break

19.30-20.25 Session 2: Long-term issues in US politics

Chair Joe Smith. Duration 55'. Speakers 7'

- Regina Wagner (assistant professor, UoA): *Bipartisanship in the System*
- Ioannis Papageorgiou (associate professor, AUTh): *Is the US political system becoming more European?*
- Steve Borrelli (professor, UoA): *The Role of Political Elites*

- Joe Smith (associate professor, UoA): *The U.S. Constitution - an obstacle to governance?*
- Yannis Stavrakakis (professor, AUTH): *American Populism(s): Then and Now*

Day 2. 20 May 2021. 10.00 CDT (Tuscaloosa) and 18.00 EET (Thessaloniki)

US, Greece and the EU in the Biden era

18.00-19.10 Session 3: US-Greek relations in the Biden era

Chair Eftychia Teperoglou (assistant professor, AUTH).. Duration 70'. Speakers 8-10'

- Ioannis Stefanidis (professor, AUTH): *Greek-American Relations: pointers from the Past*
- Theodoros Bizakis (Minister Counselor-Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of Greece to the U.S.A.): *Greek-US Relations: Salient issues for the Greek government*
- David Burger, (Deputy Chief of Mission, US Embassy, Athens) *US- Greek Relations: Salient Issues for the US government*
- Harris Mylonas (associate professor, Elliot School of International Affairs, GWU): *A Commentary on the US-Greek relations*
- Daniel Levine (associate professor, UoA): *Conclusions/analysis*

19.10-19.20 Break

19.20-20.15 Session 4: US and Europe in the Biden era

Chair Joe Smith. Duration 55', Speakers 7'

- Petros Vamvakas (associate professor, Emmanuel College, Boston): *Reviving multilateralism?*
- Grigoris Zarotiadis (associate professor, AUTH): *Europe in the new bipolarism*
- George Andreou (assistant professor, AUTH): *Euro-Atlantic relations and the future of the EU*
- Waleed Hazbun (professor, UoA): *Will the US Pivot from the Middle East into a New Cold War?*

20.15 Conclusions. Closing of the workshop