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**Call for Applications: Position for Post-Doc Researcher with a PhD in Ottoman History and/or Literature (or similar thematic topic)**

Application deadline: **March 3, 2014**

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The **Program of Ottoman Studies** of the **Institute for Mediterranean Studies - Foundation for Research and Technology Hellas (IMS-FORTH)**, which is located in **Rethymno, Crete (Greece)**, announces a Post-Doctoral scholarship for a scholar to participate in the implementation of the project '**OTTPOL – A History of Early Modern Ottoman Political Thought, 15<sup>th</sup> to Early 19<sup>th</sup> Centuries**', which is implemented under the "Aristeia II" Action of the 2007-2013 Greek National Strategic Reference Framework (Operational Programme "Education and Lifelong Learning"), for a **total duration of up to 16 months (end of term: July 2015)**.

**Research objectives:**

The post-doctoral fellow will be involved in primary research concerning Ottoman political thought, focusing in a sub-issue to be specified after the needs of the project and her/his own interests (e.g.: "fundamentalist" trends in 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> century legal and political thought; imperial ideology and the caliphate; and so forth), finally producing a chapter in a monograph on the history of Ottoman political thought, as well as at least two papers in English and/or French. S/he is also expected to locate and study unpublished manuscripts in Ottoman Turkish. S/he will also assist in the administration of the project through the organisation of a workshop and the future publication of its proceedings.

**Location:** The fellow is expected to be in residence at Rethymno until July 2015.

**Contract duration / Salary:** The duration of the post is up to **16 months**, with a fixed end of term in **July 2015**. The fellow will receive a monthly net salary of ca. 1,200€ (plus social security costs etc.), depending on their personal situation, plus funds covering research trips and conference participations.

**The potential candidate should have:**

1. A PhD in Ottoman History and/or Literature (or similar thematic topic), preferably specialized in the history of ideas; applicants should have obtained their doctorate within the last two years.



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2. Participation in a number of research projects or previous experience in archival research, with an emphasis to the study of manuscripts; applicants should read fluently Turkish and English; knowledge of other major languages (French, German) will be appreciated.
3. A significant publication record in peer-review international journals and or conferences.
4. Experience of working with Islamic manuscripts in Ottoman Turkish language; knowledge of Arabic and/or Persian will also be appreciated. The candidate should also have a proven ability to write fluently in English.

Application materials must be submitted to the Principal Investigator of the project, Dr. Marinos Sariyannis, by e-mail at [sariyannis@ims.forth.gr](mailto:sariyannis@ims.forth.gr) by **March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2014**. Please submit curriculum vitae, a copy of your Ph.D., a one-page description of your specialization and your potential research plan in the general framework of the project, and contact information of one or more referees.

For further information please contact  
Dr. Marinos Sariyannis

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### Review of Applications

1. Among all the applications that will be submitted within the deadline above, the one that fits better the above description will be selected.
2. Applications are considered in time if they are received to the mail or email addresses mentioned above by the deadline of the application.
3. If it is deemed necessary, applicants may be called for a personal interview.
4. Please note that the call for proposals for a contract for the lease of this project is not competitive, while any option counterparty has the character of acceptance of a proposal rather than "hiring".
5. The applicants selected will be notified personally for the acceptance of the contract as well as for submitting the original certifications (or certified copies



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of them). In case the original documents do not match the copies that have been submitted with the application, the applicant is dismissed from the application procedure.

6. FORTH reserves the right to accept or not the submitted applications.

**Additional Information**

A) The applications will be evaluated based on the following criteria

QUALIFICATIONS	GRADES
PhD in Ottoman History and/or Literature (or similar thematic topic), preferably specialized in the history of ideas (obtained within the last two years)	30%
Publications in peer review journals and/or international conferences.	30%
Knowledge of Ottoman paleography; experience in working with Ottoman manuscripts; related skills	20%
Participation in a number of research projects and/or previous experience in archival research, with an emphasis to the study of manuscripts	10%
Very good knowledge of Turkish and English; other abilities	10%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100%</b>

B) The results of the review and evaluation procedure will be published on the web page of the Institute for Mediterranean Studies (<http://www.ims.forth.gr>).

C) Any objections to the results of the candidates' evaluation should be presented strictly within five (5) working days from the day following the announcement of the results on the website IMS ([www.ims.forth.gr](http://www.ims.forth.gr)). Objections should be specific and submitted by hand or sent by post to: Institute for Mediterranean Studies (I.M.S.), Foundation for Research and Technology, Hellas (F.O.R.T.H.), Melissinou & Nikiforou Foka 130, Rethymno, 74100, Crete, Greece.

D) The right of access to personal files and data relating to the other candidates is exercised only in written and in favor of the applicant in accordance with the combined provisions of Law 2472/1997 and Law 2690/1999, under c / EX/4163-1/6-7-2012 document for the Protection of Personal Data in order to exercise his rights in accordance with the legal procedure (written request, documentation overriding legitimate interest etc).

