

## 2024 Hydra Summer University

organized by the

MSc in in American Studies: Politics, Strategy & Economics and

the Center of Global Affairs, New York University

13-15 June 2024, Townhall (Melina Mercouri Room), Hydra Island, Greece

### PROGRAM

#### Thursday 13 June 2024

18.00-20.00

##### 18.00 Welcoming speeches

**Dr. Carolyn Kissane**

Associate Dean and Clinical Professor  
MS in Global Affairs and MS in Global  
Security, Conflict and Cybercrime  
Founding Director SPS Energy, Climate  
Justice and Sustainability Lab  
Faculty Head of the Energy and  
Environmental Policy Concentration  
NYU-SPS Center for Global Affairs,  
New York University

**Dr. Aristotle Tziampiris**

Professor of International Relations,  
Chair of the Department of  
International and European Studies, and  
Director of the MSc Program in  
American Studies: Politics, Strategy &  
Economics, University of Piraeus,  
Greece.

**Dr. Maria Mendrinou**, Professor of  
European Political Economy and  
European Integration, Director of the  
MSc in Energy: Strategy, Law &  
Economics

##### *Setting the Framework for Greek-American Relations: A Historical Perspective*

**Dr. Aristotle Tziampiris**, Professor, Director of the MSc Program in American Studies:  
Politics, Strategy & Economics, University of Piraeus

Q&As

## Friday 14 June 2024

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### Morning Session 10.00-13.00

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#### 10.00-11.00

*Energy Security and the Energy Transition: EU and the US*

**Dr. Carolyn Kissane**, Center for Global Affairs, New York University  
Discussion

#### 11.00-12.00

*Opening Remarks*

**Christin Roberts**, Counselor of Public Affairs, US Embassy, Athens

#### 12.00-13.00

*Civil Society in the US*

**Marilena Simiti**, Professor of Political Sociology Economy, Department of International and European Studies, University of Piraeus

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### 13.00-15.00 Lunch break

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### Afternoon Session 15.00-18.00

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#### 15.00-16.00

*Climate Change and International Security*

**Dr Irene Cheila**, Professor of International Politics, Department of International and European Studies, University of Piraeus

#### 16.00-17.00

*European security and defense policy, EU autonomy and EU/NATO cooperation*

**Dr. Foteini Asderaki**, Professor, Jean Monnet Chair, University of Piraeus and Chair of the European Security and Defence College Doctoral School, Brussels

**Nikolaos Ntarzanos**, Doctoral student, University of Piraeus and PhD Fellow  
European Security and Defence College Doctoral School, Brussels

**17.00-18.00**

*Soft power and current challenges in the digital era*

**Dr. Irene Mamakou**, Senior Teaching Fellow, Department of International and  
European Studies, University of Piraeus

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**20.00 Official Dinner**

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**Saturday 15 May 2024**

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**10.00-11.00**

*Meeting with the Mayor of Hydra Mr. George Koukoudakis (to be confirmed)*

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**11.00-12.00**

*The role of Greece in Southeast Mediterranean/ the Energy Sector*

**Dr. Dionysios Papachristou**, Electrical Engineer, Scientific Expert Director of  
Communication Office, Regulatory Authority for Energy, Waste & Water

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**12.00-13.00 Social activity: Visit at the Historical Museum of Hydra**

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