

17.45-17.55 Short break

17.55-18.15 Complementary elections of SY.N.T.H.E.SI. for selecting a student as a member of the Committee as well as for partial renewal of a limited number of members.

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Dr Chrysoula Kosmidou-Hardy, *Honorary Consultant of the Hellenic Pedagogical Institute (P.I.), ex Chair of the Careers Education and Counselling Sector in the P.I., President of the SY.N.T.H.E.SI. Society*

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## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

**Active Research: The Political Dimension  
of Research and Evaluation.**  
*Students & Teachers Co-researchers  
aiming at Change and Development*

January 26 2013

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#### INFORMATION

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The conference speakers



08.30-09.00 Registration

09.00-09.30 Opening by: Dr Chrysoula Kosmidou-Hardy, *President of SY.N.T.H.E.SI.* and Dr Panos Kanellis, *President of the American Farm School of Thessaloniki*  
Addresses

09.30-11.45. PART I.

**Our Theoretical Paradigm: Fundamental Issues**

PANEL. *Burcik V, di Cataldo F, Kosmidou-Hardy Chr., Kyritsis D., Pejiopoulos N.*

**Active Research grounded on the Critical, Developmental Model of Cross-subject-border Pedagogy: Turning to the Future and to Development**

Dr Chrysoula Kosmidou-Hardy, *Honorary Consultant of the Hellenic Pedagogical Institute (P.I.), ex Chair of the Careers Education and Counseling Sector in the P.I., President of the SY.N.T.H.E.SI. Society*

**The Living Theory produced by Teachers and Students as a basis for Change and Development**

Dr Jack Whitehead, *U.K. Adjunct Professor -Liverpool Hope University U.K., Honorary Research Fellow – Cumbria University U.K., Visiting Professor Ningxia Teachers University–China, Transnational Member of the SY.N.T.H.E.SI. Committee*

**Biopedagogy. A New Theory of Learning: Implications for new teaching methods and Active Research**

Dr Stamatis Alahiotis, *Professor of Biology at Patras University, ex President of the Pedagogical Institute in Greece* • Venetia Nikita, *Teacher, PhD candidate of Pedagogy* • Dr Eleni Karatzias-Stavlioti, *Associate Professor of Pedagogy at Patras University*

**Narrative as a critical voice of experience in contemporary career management**

Dr Bill Law, *Founding Senior Fellow of the UK National Institute for Careers Education and Counseling - <http://www.hihohiho.com>*

11.45-12.15 Discussion

12.15-12.30 Break

12.30-14.45. PART II.

**Research ‘Moments’ of the Sociopolitical Reality**

PANEL. *Kosmidou-Hardy Chr., Law B., Whitehead J., Giossi S.*

**Building a Learning Community of Educators through Active Research: The case example of the American Farm School in Thessaloniki**

Slavoudis Dimitris, *Educator, Information Technology, MSc*

**The importance of Historical Conscience for a creative return to the future: Researching collaboratively the liberation of Thessaloniki as a case example for liberation by our modern ‘enemies and demons’**

Dr Demetris Kyritsis, *Philologist, Special Scientist at the University of Macedonia, Collaborator at the Centre of History in Thessaloniki, Greece*

Dr Franco di Cataldo, *Professor, Mathematician, ICT expert, University of Venice, Italy*

Dr Cennet Engin-Demir, *Associate Professor at the Middle East University of Ankara, Turkey*

**“Delete the teacher. The ‘deity’ of technology can do it all!”**

**Researching and problematizing the use of technology in education and the future of the teacher**

Nikos Pejiopoulos, *Educator at the American Farm School of Thessaloniki*

Dr Vladimir Burcik, *World Summit Award multimedia and e-Content expert, Professor at Comenius, Ss. Cyril and Methodius Universities and Arts Academy, Rooney International Visiting Prof. at Robert Morris University, Member of the SY.N.T.H.E.SI. Committee*

**The politics of Research and Evaluation.**

**From analyzing towards suggesting:**

- **The Fear of Evaluation: Job or Identity Evaluation?**
- **Towards the collaborative implementation of an Active Research project-proposal for holistic evaluation aiming at development**

Dr C. Kosmidou-Hardy and Dr J. Marmarinos, *Hon. Professor at Athens University*

14.30-14.45 Discussion

14.45-15.30 Break

15.30-18.00. PART III.

**The Political Dimension of education and evaluation<sup>1</sup>**

Critical committee members:

*Kosmidou-Hardy C., Lygeros N., Pejiopoulos N., Student*

15.30-16.00. Unit A.

**Moving from a conservative towards a liberating education: Students’ theorize**

- **Identities constructed at school today: Critically thinking and responsible citizens or beings with a ‘given’ identity?**
- **The role of the student which I need to have and is required today**
- **The educator that I dream of and our new times demand**
- **The politics that is required for an effective Ministry of Education and the Minister I need as a student and citizen: Beyond narrow party politics**

16.00-16.45. Unit B.

**The Teachers’ Voice**

- **‘Let him who is without sin among you be the first to throw a stone at her’: Evaluation needs to start from ‘above’**
- **The teacher’s identity constructed in tertiary education and legitimized by educational policy-makers: Beyond the anecdotal**
- **The teacher of the future: Which direction?**
- **The educational leaders required for the support of teachers’ educational work**
- **Politicians at the Ministry of Education: Through which processes and with what consequences are they selected?**

16.45-17.45. Unit C.

**On the Republic: Politicians and Citizens**

**«From the development of the republic to the opening up of the homeland»**

An introductory presentation by Dr Nikos Lygeros, *Strategic Consultant*

Discussion on the following topics

- **Which Republic do we serve as politicians and as citizens?**
- **Serving the Republic and the Citizens: The True Politician**
- **Who is going to ‘guard the guards’? In search of the True Citizen**

1. The majority of the selected texts will be publicized online at <http://studentresearcher.wikispaces.com/>.