

## Review on the Celebration of the International Archives Day 2017

In the context of the celebration of the International Archives Day 2017, the General State Archives have organised a series of events both in the Central and Regional Services.

The Central Service of the G.S.A. in close collaboration with the General Secretariat for Gender Equality and the Municipality of Filothei-Psychiko have organised a festive event under the title "through a woman came forth... the better things," routes to the archival sources, on Monday June 19<sup>th</sup> 2017. The event was realised with the participation of *The Bank of Greece*, *The Hellenic Broadcasting Corporation (ERT)* and the Greek Directors Guild.

This year's thematic focused on the female activity/creativity as seen through the archival sources and consisted of relevant supporting speeches; an exhibition of archival material (both prototypes and digital copies) retrieved from the participating parties, as well as the projection of the documentary film "Periskopio-Greek Feministic Documents" from the ERT archival repository.

The exhibition of archival material –based on the aforementioned thematic– was set up in special displays in the Chamber of events and will run from 19/06/2017 until 07/07/2017 and 01/09/2017 until 31/12/2017. Access to the public will be allowed on Tuesdays and Thursdays in consultation with the relevant Department via telephone.

Ms Marietta Minotos, Director of the Central Service of the G.S.A, Mr Pantelis Xyridakis, Mayor of Filothei-Psychiko and Ms Foteini Kouvela, General Secretary of Gender Equality welcomed the public at the event.

The General State Archives were honoured to welcome in its premises Mr Nikolaos Filis, former Minister of the Ministry of Education, Research and Religious Affairs, representing the President of the Greek Parliament Mr Nikolaos Voutsis; Archimandrite, father Michael Stathakis, chairman of the Council of Church of the Holy Temple of St. George in Psychiko, representing his holiness the Archbishop of Athens and Greece Ieronymos; representatives of political parties, archival and cultural bodies, artists and politicians and former presidents of the Greek Parliament, namely, Mr Apostolos Kaklamanis and Mr Demetrios Sioufas. The municipality of Filothei-Psychiko has –once again– been a great contributor and supporter of the work put forth by the General State Archives.

This year's event has had great media coverage and was given great publicity both in Greece and abroad in the context of the extrovert policy set and applied by the G.S.A.

The event was covered and thoroughly presented by the Mass Media. The following links are used as reference:

http://www.ert.gr/archio-tis-ert-gia-tin-pagkosmia-imera-archion/ http://www.thetoc.gr/politismos/article/i-pagkosmia-imera-arxeiwn-2017-sta-genika-arxeia-tou-kratous http://www.elculture.gr

Moreover, Mr David Fricker, Chairman of the International Council on Archives has sent a letter of compliment while expressing his support to the General State Archives of Greece and the specific event. The event has been placed on the website of the International Council on Archives which can be accessed by the following link:

 $\underline{http://www.ica.org/en/wide-range-of-activities-throughout-greece-to-celebrate-the-international-archives-day}$ 

The Regional Services of the G.S.A have organized various cultural events, namely, exhibitions of archival material, projections of historic documentaries, speeches, tours of the archival repositories etc. Following is a list of the participating Regional Services:

G.S.A of Arcadia	Rodopi
G.S.A of the Dodecanese	Fthiotida
G.S.A of Evritania	Chios
Kavala	The Historic Archives of Epirus
Karditsa	The Historic Archives of Crete
Corfu	The Historic Archives/Museum of
Lakonia	Hydra
Lesvos	The Local Archives of Agia
Magnesia	
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For further references and information visit the corresponding websites of the G.S.A.