



INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM

COLD WAR BORDERLANDS

Empire, Space, and Conflict

in Thessaloniki and Northern Greece (1946-49)

Monday, 18th May 2026 | 10:15 – 15:45

Devon House, Room 136, NU London

Welcome and greetings (10:15-10:30)

Panel 1 (10:30-12:30):

Oliver Ayers (Northeastern University London), “Geospatial Approaches to Urban/Imperial Histories”

Maria Kyriakidou (Anatolia American University), “Thessaloniki Under Reconstruction: International Relief, Civic Engagement, and Gender in the Early Cold War”

Christos Aliprantis (Anatolia American University), “Policing the Cold War Borderlands: Security practices and institutions in Northern Greece during and after the Greek Civil War”

Zinovia (Jenny) Lialiouti (National and Kapodistrian University of Athens), “A Stage of Rival Mirrors: Macedonia and the Cultural Cold War”

Moderation: **Georgios Giannakopoulos** (City St. George’s University London)

Light Lunch break (12.30-13.30)

Panel 2 (13:30-15:30):

Alexis Ntitorakis Exarchou (Charles University of Prague), “The Repatriation Dilemma: The Contested Return of Eastern Macedonian and Thracian Refugees in 1945”

Lisa Camichos (International School of Trieste), “From Orlando to Volos: Diaspora Humanitarianism and Cold War Borderlands in Northern Greece”

Anna Irene Baka (Charles University of Prague), “Borderland Constitutionalism: Competing Narratives, Foreign Intervention, and the Formation of Constitutional Identity in the Greek Civil War” [online]

Charalampos Minasidis (Yale University), “Securing Macedonia: The United States and the Macedonian Question during the Greek Civil War” [online]

Moderation: **Christos Aliprantis** (Anatolia American University)

Concluding remarks (15:30-15:45)