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Evaluation of APRePosMa, by the Principal Investigator

This was the first time in Greece that a project in philosophy of such a scope and duration was funded. The chief outcome of the project is that Greece is now considered to be an internationally significant country when it comes to philosophy of science. There is now concentrated expertise in philosophy of science in Greece, especially in the epistemology and metaphysics of science and in particular in the area of scientific realism.

The project aimed to co-ordinate the research of three groups of philosophers of science in Greece. Two were from Athens (UoA and NTUA) and one from Thessaloniki. The integration of the two groups in Athens was almost full. In effect, the two groups were amalgamated into one and had mutually beneficial interactions. The group in Thessaloniki was more isolated—mostly due to the geographical distance.

Achievements of the project

The creation and maintenance of a publication culture. This was not a small feat given the peculiarities of the ways philosophy has been practiced in Greece. There were in total 40 publications and about another 15 are in progress.

Of the 40 publications:

27 were from faculty members
13 were from postdocs
6 of the 27 were collaborative with postdocs.
Postdoctoral fellows of the project were involved in 19 of the 40 publications.
This is almost 50%

Of the 40 publications 30 were by members of the MITHE group. 5 from the AUTH group and 3 from the NTUA group.

Part of the outcome were 7 book reviews, all published by 6 postdocs.

Training. Apart from the various publications by postdocs, there were 4 dissertations and 3 master theses (all supported financially by the project).

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International Visibility

5 workshops were funded by the project. In them there were 23 invited speakers from universities outside Greece.

In these workshops, paper were also presented by 8 faculty members of the project, 6 postdocs and 2 other Greek academics.

At the same time more than 150 papers were presented in seminars, conferences, congresses and workshops around the world. Of them 69 were by postdocs and doctoral students

An important achievement of the project was the Athens Thales Research Seminar which took place from May 2012 to November 2015, with 39 sessions. Of them 20 were by postdocs and doctoral students and 8 by international visitors.

Among the 22 postdocs and doctoral students who worked in the project 12 were **women**. This is important in its own right. The gender balance of the main research team was very unfavourable to women and this is something that has to be addressed and rectified in future projects.

A lasting contribution of the project to the Phil of Science community in Greece and abroad is the creation of the e-journal α nalytica.

Co-ordination Team

Given that the structure of the grant did not allow for secretarial support, the burden from running the project fell on the following members—without them, running of the project would not have been possible Antigone Nounou Eirini Goudarouli Elina Pechlivanidi Stavros Ioannidis

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