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Announcement of Grant in Memory of Professor Georgios Despinis (16.04.1936 – 13.09.2014)

The Administrative Board of the *Society of Archaeologists of Greece 'Eos'* announces the decision to address a wide call for a specific fund raising action in memory of Professor Georgios Despinis.

Georgios Despinis was one of the most eminent and creative teachers and scholars in the field of Classical Archaeology. His loss left an irreplaceable void in the academic community, worldwide.

Considering particularly that Georgios Despinis served above all as a teacher for generations of archaeologists, either from the position of his academic chair, or from his constant interaction with colleagues, researchers and students, the *Society of Archaeologists of Greece 'Eos'* has appraised that the best opportunity to honor his distinguished work and life course would be support offered towards the research career of a young archaeologist.

In this perspective, the *Society* invites all friends –archaeologists or other– of the Honored to add their contribution toward the achievement of this mission.

The Despinis Grant will be a one-time funding to enable fulfillment of the publication of (at least) one defended PhD thesis in the field Classical Archaeology, in the field of Ancient Greek Sculpture. The relevant call will address PhD holders from Greek-state-accredited Departments of Archaeology, in Greece or abroad (Greek citizens). Candidates will be invited to submit their dissertation under publication, accompanied by their curriculum, for evaluation by a Scientific Committee.

Donations may include amounts regardless height. Further details on the specific terms and requirements for the call of the potential grant candidates, as of the ways donors will be mentioned in the publication, will be announced by the end of the donation period, in September 2017.

Donations should be sent to the specific bank account for the Grant (Piraeus Bank, *Society of Archaeologists of Greece 'Eos'*, acc. n. 5120-084903-152; **IBAN GR47 0172 1200 0051 2008 4903 152**). Donators are kindly requested to consider notice of their names on the transfer and subsequently inform the *Society* by sending a copy of the transaction receipt to the following email address: georgiosdespinisgrant.eos@gmail.com. Donation period starts on **June 1st, 2017** and ends on **September 15th, 2017**.

With the present announcement, the *Society* invites you to support the Despinis Grant with your active contribution and the wider distribution of the call.

The *Society of Archaeologists of Greece 'Eos'* would like to thank every contributor in advance.

* Heads of figures 31 and 32 on slabstone IX from the north side of the Parthenon frieze. Wien, Kunsthistorisches Museum, inv. no. I 1092: G. Despinis, 'Παρθενώνεια Μικρά', *Επαινος Luigi Beschi*, Benaki Museum, 7th Supplement, Athens 2011, 87-94, fig. 3.