

Press Release

Research Grants awarded to the Institute of Historical Research for the implementation of three research projects in the Aegean

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The National Hellenic Research Foundation (NHRF) announces the receipt of three grants for three significant research projects of the Institute of Historical Research, funded by the General Secretariat of the Aegean and Island Policy. These projects are part of the broader effort to promote scientific research and cultural heritage in the island regions of Tenos, Kasos, Karpathos, and Kimolos.

1. Byzantine and Latin-dominated Tenos: Old and new archaeological data

📍 Location: Tenos

💰 Grant: €8,000

The project is conducted by the Institute of Historical Research and the Ephorate of Antiquities of Cyclades. Its aim is to carry out systematic excavation research at the castle of Xombourgo and around the church of Agia Anastasia at the location "Rentia" as well as the recording and documentation of selected monuments and movable finds of Tenos dating back to the Byzantine era and the period of Latin domination (4th - early 18th century). The ultimate goal of the research is to highlight and advance the understanding of the history of Tenos during these periods. The project is led by Anastasia Yangaki, Research Director and coordinator of the Section of Byzantine Research at IHR/NHRF.

🌐 More information: <https://byzlatinos.eie.gr>

2. Underwater Archaeological Research in Kasos and Karpathos

📍 Location: Karpathos

💰 Grant: €8,000

The underwater research focuses on the identification, study, and documentation of submerged cultural heritage in the marine area of Karpathos, in collaboration with the Ephorate of Underwater Antiquities. The project aims to apply innovative methods for mapping ancient maritime routes and revealing new historical evidence. The project is led by Charikleia Papageorgiadou, Research Director of the Greek and Roman Antiquity Section at IHR/NHRF, in collaboration with Xanthie Argiris, research associate at IHR/NHRF and director of the study.

🌐 More information: <https://kasosproject.com/>

3. Defining Ancient Coastlines in Kimolos

📍 Location: Kimolos

💰 Grant: €8,000

This project focuses on studying geomorphological changes and reconstructing the ancient coastline of Kimolos. The research aims to identify historical landscape transformations and harbor structures that influenced navigation and trade in the South Aegean. The project is led by Charikleia Papageorgiadou, Research Director of the Greek and Roman Antiquity Section at IHR/NHRF, in collaboration with Eleni Kolaiti, research associate at IHR/NHRF and director of the study.

The National Hellenic Research Foundation expresses its gratitude to the General Secretariat of the Aegean and Island Policy for its continuous support of research and the preservation of Aegean cultural heritage. These grants play a crucial role in safeguarding and scientifically showcasing the history of the Greek islands.

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