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CURRENT POSITION

- **PhD Candidate in International Relations**, School of International Service, American University  
Concentration: U.S. Foreign Policy  
Research Focus: Military innovation and variation in state reactions to first movers' military technological advantages  
Teaching Experience:
  - a. Adjunct Instructor (AU SIS)
    - Planning, Forecasting and Decision Making (on-line Masters in International Relations)
    - National Security and Intelligence (pre-college Summer programs, NSLC)
  - b. Teaching Assistant
    - Head TA for World Politics (undergraduate level)
  
- **Non-Resident Research Fellow**, Pacific Forum CSIS (Center for Strategic and International Studies)

EDUCATION

- 2009-2010: **MA, International Conflict Studies**, War Studies Department, King's College London, UK  
Final Grade: Distinction  
Major: Military Strategy, Conduct of Contemporary Warfare  
Minor: IR Theory  
MA Thesis: Nuclear Strategy in South Asia: Coercion, Escalatory Dynamics and the Impact of Bush's Policy of 'De- Hyphenation' on the Regional Stability
- 2005-2009: **BA, International Relations and European Studies**, Panteion University of Athens, Greece  
Final Grade: Honors  
Major: IR and Strategic Studies  
Minor: International Law and International Political Economy  
BA Thesis: Air Force as a Coercive Instrument; Case Study: Operation 'Allied Force', Kosovo
- 2007-2008: **Exchange student**, one year at IEP/*Sciences Po (Institut d'Etudes Politiques)* of Lille, France

PUBLICATIONS

- **Journal Articles**
- Ji young Lee and Eleni Ekmektsioglou, "Inadvertent Signaling and the Security Dilemma in Asia: The U.S. Ballistic Missile Defense Policy and China" *under final review*
- Nina Sefarino and Eleni Ekmektsioglou, "Congress and National Security" in Derek Reveron (ed.), *Oxford Handbook on National Security* (Oxford University Press, forthcoming in January 2018)
- Eleni Ekmektsioglou, "Paper Tigers and Iron Tigers: China's Limited Nuclear Arsenal and the Reasons Behind its Choice of Strategic Restraint", *under review*
- Book review of Hugo Meijer (ed.) "Origins and Evolution of the US Rebalance", *European Review of International Studies*, Vol. 2, Issue 3 (2015), pp. 157-161
- "Hypersonic Weapons and Escalation in East Asia", *Strategic Studies Quarterly* (Summer 2015), pp. 43-68
- "The U.S.-China Relationship: Avoiding a New Cold War", *Issues and Insights*, Vol: 10/ Issue: 12, Pacific Forum CSIS, Shanghai, 2012

## • Selected Opinion Pieces and Policy Briefs

- “How Hypersonic Missiles Push America and China towards War”, *The National Interest*, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2015
- “AirSea Battle and Escalation”, *The Diplomat Magazine*, New Leaders Forum, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2011
- Eleni Ekmektsioglou and Matthew Hallex, “Chinese Submarines and U.S. Anti-Submarine Warfare Capabilities”, *e-IR* (August 2011)
- Brad Glosserman and Eleni Ekmektsioglou, “Strategic Stability in U.S.-China relations”, *ISPI Policy Brief*, No 210 (May 2011)

## PREVIOUS PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1. **Project Manager**, EUISS (European Union Institute for Security Studies), Paris, France, December 2011-January 2013

### Research focus:

- Transatlantic cooperation in the Asia Pacific
- Maritime Security in Southeast Asia and why it matters to Europe
- U.S. rebalancing and its strategic implications

2. **Resident Research Fellow**, Pacific Forum CSIS (Center for Strategic and International Studies), Honolulu, U.S., April-October 2011

### Research Focus:

- Chinese Maritime Strategy and Naval Modernization
- AirSea Battle Concept and Anti-Submarine Warfare
- U.S. network of alliances in the Asia Pacific region

3. **Project Coordinator and Research Assistant**, European Institute for Asian Studies, Brussels, Belgium, September 2010-February 2011

### Research Focus:

- EU-China relations
- Chinese Maritime Strategy and Naval Modernization
- Nuclear stability and security in South and Southeast Asia
- Coordinator of the roundtable series: Maritime security in the Indo-Pacific

4. **Assistant Project Manager**, Embassy of Germany in Greece & EUCA (European Union Club of Athens), Athens, Greece, 2007-2008

## ASSOCIATIONS - AFFILIATIONS

- Member of the CSIS Pacific Forum Young Leaders Program
- ISA (International Studies Association)
- APSA (American Political Science Association)
- WIIS (Women in International Security)
- AASE (American Academy for Strategic Education)
- CHAIR conference at Upenn (2016)
- Bridging the Gap/ New Era Workshop (2018)

## AWARDS

- Recipient of the William C. Olson award for outstanding teaching by a PhD student for the academic year 2016-2017
- Recipient of AU SIS travel grant for research and conference presentations (2013-2018)
- Recipient of the Greek Government Award for Academic Excellency for 6 consecutive years (2004-2010)

## LANGUAGES

- 1) Greek, native speaker
- 2) English, excellent oral use and writing skills, IELTS 8/9, 2009 and TOEFL 117/120, 2012
- 3) French, excellent oral use and writing skills, C2 with honors, 2008
- 4) Spanish, very good oral use and writing skills, Basico, 2006
- 5) Turkish, good oral use and writing skills, Orta, 2009
- 6) Chinese, conversational level