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Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
Thessaloniki, Greece
May 20 – 23, 2004

Wednesday, May 19:

Afternoon:
16:00 – 17:00 Registration
AULA (Old Building)
School of Philosophy
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

20:30 “Getting-to-Know-You” Dinner
Electra Palace Hotel, Aristotle Square

As has become a good tradition at our MESEA conferences, the “Getting-To-Know-You” Dinner serves not only the purpose of meeting the other participants in general, but also and especially as our MESEA way of having our panels meet for the first time “non-electronically” for a hopefully lively academic and non-academic exchange. If tables in the restaurant and individual arrival times permit, we would like to urge panel members and chairs to sign up for this dinner and sit together.
Thursday, May 20:

Morning:
8:00 – 10:00 Executive/Advisory Board Business Meeting

10:30 – 12:00 Registration
AULA (Old Building)
School of Philosophy
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

Afternoon:
14:00 – 14:30 Welcome
AULA (Old Building)
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14:30 – 15:30 Plenary Session 1
AULA (Old Building)
School of Philosophy
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

Sidonie Smith
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA
“Narrated Lives and the Contemporary Regime of Human Rights: Mobilizing Stories, Campaigns, Ethnicities”

Introduction:
Alfred Hornung
Johannes Gutenberg University, Mainz, Germany

15:30 – 16:00 Coffee Break

16:00 – 18:00 Panel Session (1.1. – 1.2.)
Old Building
School of Philosophy

19:00 Reception – The Greek Ministry of National Education and Religions
Garden, School of Philosophy
Friday, May 21:

8:00 – 9:00  **Registration**
AULA (Old Building)
School of Philosophy

9:00 – 10:00  **Plenary Session 2**
AULA (Old Building)
School of Philosophy

**David Trotman**
York University, Canada
“Performing Caribbean Identity in Multicultural Canada”

Introduction:
**Dorothea Fischer-Hornung**
University of Heidelberg, Germany

10:00 – 10:30  **Coffee Break**

10:30 – 12:30  **Panel Session (2.1. – 2.4.)**
School of Philosophy

12:30 – 14:30  **Lunch Break**
(Lunch Meeting on Toni Morrison’s *Love*
Meeting Point: Routledge Book Display
Moderator: Cathy Waegner)

14:30 – 16:30  **Panel Session (3.1. – 3.3.)**
School of Philosophy

16:30 – 17:00  **Coffee Break**

17:00 – 19:00  **Panel Session (4.1. – 4.4.)**
School of Philosophy

19:00 – 20:30  **Dinner Break**

20:30 – 22:00  **Writers’ Night**
AULA (Old Building)
School of Philosophy

**Marie-Hélène Laforest**
**Cleopatra Mathis**

Chair:
**Ekaterini Douka-Kabitoglou**
Vice Rector, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece
Saturday, May 22:

8:45 – 10:45  Panel Session (5.1. – 5.6.)
   School of Philosophy

10:45 – 11:00  Coffee Break

11:00 – 13:00  Panel Session (6.1. – 6.5.)
   School of Philosophy

13:00 – 14:30  Lunch Break

14:30 – 16:30  Panel Session (7.1. – 7.6.)
   School of Philosophy

16:30 – 16:45  Coffee Break

16:45 – 17:30  Roundtable
   Atlantic Studies
   Chairs:
   William Boelhower
   Dorothea Fischer-Hornung
   (Editorial Board, Atlantic Studies)

   AULA (Old Building)
   School of Philosophy

17:30 – 19:00  MESEA General Membership Meeting
   AULA (Old Building)
   School of Philosophy

20:30  Banquet
   Restaurant Palataki
   Plateia Morihovou, Ladadika
Sunday, May 23:

8:45 – 10:45 **Panel Session (8.1. – 8.4.)**
     School of Philosophy

10:45 – 11:00 **Coffee Break**

11:00 – 12:00 **Plenary Session 3**
     AULA (Old Building)
     School of Philosophy

     **Gary Okihiro**
     Columbia University, USA
     “Toward a Pacific Civilization”

     Introduction:
     **Rocio G. Davis**
     University of Navarra, Spain

12:00 **Farewell by MESEA President**
     AULA (Old Building)
     School of Philosophy

13:00 **“See-You-Again” Lunch**
     Restaurant Agora
     Kapodistriou Street

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**Lunch Meeting on Toni Morrison’s Love:** Cathy Waegner (University of Siegen, Germany) has offered to moderate an informal discussion of Toni Morrison’s new novel, *Love*. For those who are interested, meet with her on Friday at 12:30 at the Routledge book display.