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## **‘Byzantine Talks NIA’**

### **dedicated to the memory of Professor Spyros Troianos**

The previous years, the NIA had the honor to accept the core of the Professor Troianos’s Library. The book collection consists of approximately 2.000 books, issues of journals, etc., focusing mainly on Byzantine law but covering also various subjects of Byzantine culture, such as economy, society, and history. The NIA in order to honor the donator, housed the book collection in a separate place in the Library and named the collection after him. Besides the Troianos Collection, the main collection of the Institute’s Library also contains more books that refer to fields of Byzantine studies, for example Byzantine archaeology and art.

Furthermore, the Institute wanted to honor the memory of Professor Spyros Troianos, who passed away in January 2024, and decided to establish a new series of lectures, in connection with the Troianos Collection. The goal of this new activity entitled ‘Byzantine Talks NIA’, which will start in May 2024, is to show the attention that the NIA has invested in the Byzantine collections of its Library.

The series of lectures with a Byzantine theme will be an opportunity for Byzantinologists -who cover all Byzantine fields- from all over the world, but also within Greece, to meet at the NIA on the occasion of the lecture and share their perspectives and expertise on the field. Thus, an opportunity for dialogue and scientific cooperation will be created between the NIA, the international academic community and the interested audience in Greece.

The lectures will be taking place once a year in May and will be live-streamed as well. The duration of the lectures will be approximately two (2) hours.