



Goa University

Name of Directorate: Directorate of Visiting Research Professor Programme

NAAC Report on Public Lecture by Prof. Vasileios Syros

1. Title of the Event/Activity/program	"Greece-India Engagement: Historical Connect Shaping Contemporary Convergences"
2. Date and Time	24th October 2024 (Thursday), 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM
3. Mode of conduct (Physical/Online)	Physical (In-person)
4. School/ Directorate/ Section	Directorate of Visiting Research Professors Programme (VRPP), Goa University
5. Collaborating Agency/School/Directorate:	School of International and Area Studies (SIAS), Goa University
6. Detail of the Resource Person (Brief biodata)	Enclosed
7. Number of Faculty attended/participated	03
8. Number of Student attended / participated	17
9. No. of external students/faculty/other participants	02

<p>10. The objectives of the Program/activity/event</p>	<p>The public lecture aims to illuminate the historical ties between Greece and India, exploring their significance in contemporary contexts. The objectives include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To analyse the multifaceted interactions between Greece and India throughout history. • To understand the implications of these historical connections for modern diplomatic, cultural, and economic relations. • To foster interdisciplinary dialogue among scholars, students, and the public regarding the shared heritage and future collaborations between these two nations.
<p>11. Description of the Program/activity/event</p>	<p>The lecture, led by Prof. Vasileios Syros, will delve into the rich historical engagement between Greece and India, tracing the roots of their interactions from ancient times to the present day. The session will explore how these historical ties have influenced contemporary relationships and shaped various facets of society, including culture, philosophy, and trade. The lecture will be coordinated by Dr. Dattesh D. Parulekar, Assistant Professor and Programme Director at SIAS, ensuring an engaging and insightful experience for all participants.</p>
<p>12. Benefit/Key outcomes of the Program/activity/event</p>	<p>The public lecture is expected to provide numerous benefits, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhanced Understanding: Participants will gain a deeper appreciation of the historical connections between Greece and India, fostering a sense of shared heritage.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contemporary Relevance: The insights offered will highlight the importance of these connections in today's globalized world, encouraging future collaborations in various fields. • Interdisciplinary Dialogue: The event will promote discussions among students and faculty from diverse disciplines, enriching academic discourse. • Inspiration for Further Research: Attendees will be encouraged to explore the topics discussed further, potentially leading to collaborative research initiatives.
13. Enclosures with report	Photos, Attendance of participants, Bio Data of resource person.

Bio Data

Prof. Vasileios Syros

Professor Vasileios Syros is a Distinguished Fellow at the Centre for Military History and Conflict Studies at the United Service Institution of India (USI), India's oldest and foremost tri-service think tank (est. 1870) for research into national security and military affairs. Prof. Syros is a Life Member of Clare Hall, University of Cambridge, and holds concurrent appointments as Senior Research Fellow at the Institute for European Global Studies at the University of Basel (Switzerland) and the Director of the Early Modern Greek Culture Program at The Medici Archive Project (Florence, Italy). His areas of interest include the history of medieval and early modern political thought (Christian, Islamic, and Jewish traditions), cross-cultural leadership, and Indian strategic thought.

Prof. Syros received his PhD in Medieval and Modern History from the University of Heidelberg, conducted postdoctoral research at the Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, and was appointed Docent in Political History at the University of Helsinki. He has held research positions and fellowships at Harvard University, Princeton University, Columbia University, the University of Pennsylvania, the University of Michigan, the University of Notre Dame, the University of Wisconsin-Madison, the Waseda Institute for Advanced Study, Waseda University (Japan), the Academy of Finland, the Swedish Collegium for Advanced Study, the Swedish Research Institute in Istanbul, and the Humboldt University of Berlin. His research has been funded by institutions and organizations, such as the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, New York University, the Nordic Council of Ministers, the Joint Committee for Nordic Research Councils in the Humanities and Social Sciences, the Finnish Ministry of Education and Culture, the Finnish Centre of Excellence in Political Thought and Conceptual Change, the Swedish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Swiss National Science Foundation, the Dutch Research Council, and the Royal Society of Edinburgh.

Prof. Syros served as Full Professor and Greek Chair (sponsored by the Government of the Hellenic Republic) at Jawaharlal Nehru University (New Delhi, India). He has previously taught at Stanford University, McGill University, The University of Chicago, the École Pratique des Hautes Études, the École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (Paris), and the University of Navarra (Spain). He was also a Lady Davis Visiting Professor at The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, a Royal Netherlands Academy of Arts and Sciences Visiting Professor at Radboud University Nijmegen, and a Descartes Senior Fellow at Utrecht University. He has lectured on global/cross-cultural leadership and comparative political theory at Beijing University and Nankai

University (China), the National Research University Higher School of Economics (Moscow and St. Petersburg, Russia), the University of São Paulo (Brazil), Koç University (Türkiye), and Al-Farabi Kazakh National University (Kazakhstan). Since 2014, Prof. Syros has been teaching the Global Leadership & Sustainability course at Sungkyunkwan University (Seoul, South Korea). He also teaches public diplomacy and cognitive warfare at the Thessaloniki International Media Summer Academy (THISAM) in Greece - part of the United Nations Academic Impact (UNAI) initiative.

Prof. Syros has successfully graduated from the Building Integrity for Senior Leaders Course offered by the Defence Academy of the United Kingdom. In addition to his academic work, Prof. Syros has served as the Director of the Cultural Property Protection Course at CMDR COE, and was appointed as the Director of the Cultural Property Protection Course/Team Leader of the Mobile Education & Training Team (METT) at the Multinational Peace Force South-Eastern Europe (MPFSE)/South-Eastern Europe Brigade (SEEBRIG). He has professional experience, conducted fieldwork, and analyzed lessons related to the protection of cultural heritage in Iraq as an official guest of the Consulate General of Greece in Erbil. He has also been a recurrent lecturer for courses on Cultural Property Protection offered by the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe and the Multinational Peace Support Operations Training Center of the Hellenic National Defence General Staff. He has lectured widely on strategic leadership, cross-cultural awareness, cognitive warfare, civil-military relations, crisis management, and military ethics at numerous institutions, defense colleges, and think tanks including the Ministry of Peshmerga Affairs (KRI/Iraq), the American University of Iraq, Sulaimani, and at various security and defense training institutions, including the Manohar Parrikar Institute for Defence Studies and Analyses, the Maritime History Society (India); the Indian Society of International Law; the European Security and Defence College; the Hellenic National Defence College; the Supreme Joint War College (Greece); the Brazilian Defense College; the Centre for Sea Power and Strategy, University of Plymouth & the Royal Navy Strategic Studies Centre (UK); the Baltic Defence College; the Spanish Joint Staff College (ESFAS); CoESPU-Center of Excellence for the Stability Police Units (Italy); the Hellenic Air Force War College; the Hellenic Army Artillery School; the Hellenic Army Engineer School; the Engineer Officers' Technical Training School of the Hellenic Army; the Hellenic Army Academy; and the Diplomatic Academy of the Hellenic Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Prof. Syros has provided research, analysis, and advisory services to government agencies and NGOs on cultural heritage preservation in conflict and post-conflict zones, and crisis management.

Poster of Public Lecture



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By

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VRPP Lecture Hall

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Attendance Sheet

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Speaker: Prof. Vasileios Syros

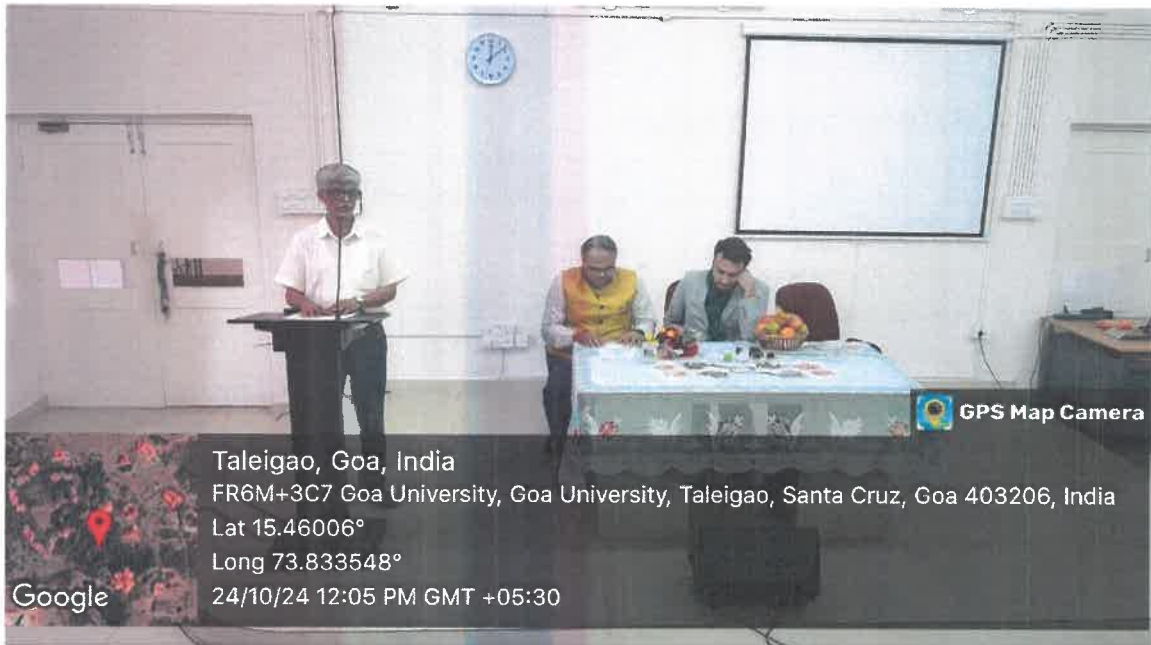
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Time: 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

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1. 2018-19-2019-20
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Date: 24th October, 2024

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