HEC HELLENIC PROFESSORS & PhDs FORUM (a HEC Project)

A. Forum Purpose

The Forum is intended as a means of assisting Scholars in communicating with each other on academic research and matters related to Hellenism. HEC provides also an internet site, the <u>HEC Scholars Blog</u>, which is open to all "Scholars" and can be used by the Forum subscribers, subject to the set of specific Guidelines below. Appropriate moderation is applied to both the Forum and the HEC Scholars Blog. All The Forum posts can be viewed in the <u>Listserv archives</u>.

- The Forum is Not HEC.
- The Forum subscribers are not HEC members.
- To become a HEC member and volunteer see HEC Members page.
- The Forum is a Project of HEC and operates into the HEC domain therefore its subscribers must be aware and comply with the HEC by-laws.

B. Forum Goals & Objectives

The Forum has almost 5,000 subscribers with the best expertise in many areas. Collectively and in small groups, the participants can work on constructive projects. We in HEC are ready to provide our technical expertise and communications to take upon any organized project for a worthwhile cause within the boundaries of our Charter. We have enabled a registration system creating a database of participants willing to participate, with specific skills matrix of areas of expertise. At some point this effort could be evolved as a distinguished "think tank" of Greek minds.

• Encouraging following the "Five (5) – Steps Approach to Success" by Prof. Groumpos.

C. About The Hellenic Electronic Center (HEC)

Founded on March 1, 1995, the Hellenic Electronic Center (HEC) is a volunteer, non-profit, non-political organization. HEC is a cultural and educational Center whose main objective is to promote Hellenic culture and establish a network among Hellenes, Philhellenes, and Hellenic organizations around the world. HEC provides free computer services and technical support to non-profit Hellenic organizations and projects. It was incorporated in the State of Delaware, USA in 1995, and on April 1997, the US Dept. of Treasury, IRS, granted HEC the non-profit 501(c)(3) status.

- We do get involved in research and publishing of artifacts based on widely accepted documentation.
- We organize events as Pan-Hellenic Gathering in Thrace.
- We do work on projects related to our history, heritage and promoting the Greek culture.
- We are organizing, by engaging our volunteers, HEC projects like "In The Steps of Pausanias", "Nemea Games", "Parthenon Marbles Awareness", "Alexandria", "Romiosini" etc. just to name a few (See links in the Projects section of our website)
- We encourage you to read and learn as much as you can about the HEC culture in the "About Us" section of our Portal.

D. Guidelines

- 1. **Scope.** The Forum's scope is limited to discussions of Academic nature and of interest to Hellenism.
- 2. **Signature.** All messages and essays must be signed by full name, title and institution, if permitted by the institution.
- 3. **Significance.** The Forum accepts contributions that are important enough for a scholarly understanding of matters of interest to Academic and to Hellenism. Participants are required to evaluate the significance of their own messages before posting.
- 4. **References.** Messages and essays should be short, carefully checked for spelling and syntax, well documented with supporting arguments and references where is needed.
- 5. **Personal.** Messages should be addressed to the general audience, and not to individuals.
- 6. **Cut/Paste** Participants should avoid posting cut/paste articles from other sources. Instead, should provide a short summary paragraph and a web link to the source.
- 7. **Frequency.** Posting into the forum should be limited by specific quotas for each participant.
- 8. **Abuse.** Offensive language, personal insults, partisan topics, collection of information from the forum networks, advertisements and promotional activity, explicit or implicit, are strictly prohibited.
- 9. **Language.** Part of the forum objectives is to reach and educate non-Greek speaking people. Therefore, primary language is English but Greek also can be used.
- 10. **Projects.** Participants of the forum are encouraged propose to initiate a project subject to approval by HEC EC, and/or participate into one already in progress.
- 11. **Moderation.** The Moderators reserve the right to suspend all messages of users that abuse the Forum network or the Forum guidelines without further notice.
- 12. **Grievances & Resolutions**. The moderators by vote among themselves could impose suspension for a period of time or even permanent suspensions to forum participants. In turn, a suspended participant could bring his or her case to HEC's Executive Council for mediation. The EC decision is final.
- 13. **Disclaimer.** HEC is not responsible for any opinions or ideas expressed by the Forum participants. *The opinions expressed are those of the author(s) and not necessarily those of HEC.*
- 14. **Acceptance.** All participants must declare that they accept the Forum Guidelines, in order to be admitted to and remain in the Forum.

E. Subscription

The Forum is open to any Professors, PhDs and Scholars, and accepts subscriptions by submitting their Curriculum Vitae (CV). There is no subscription fee, but participants are expected to make a small annual contribution, of minimum 25 euros.

- Information for cancellation and various listsery commands.
- This entire information can be found in the Guidelines section of the HEC Scholars Blog