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- Born in Athens (1941)
- University Studies: Paris University +EHESS (1961-1970)
- == Doctorate and Master in Economics (<u>History-Politics-Forecast</u>)

== Classical Studies in Literature and History

- Author of extensive Professional Economic Scientific and Research Studies.
- Late specialization in <u>Hellenism in the Orient</u> (M. East and Central Asia), specially studied for several years at the foreign Archeological Schools in Damascus-Syria and at the excavations and archeological sites of the region. Only scholar in Greece with a direct on the spot knowledge of the subject.
- Author of many Studies, Articles, Lectures, presentations in TV programs concerning Hellenism in the Orient.
- = Languages: Greek, French, English, Spanish, Italian.
- International carrier (1970-1983):
- == in the Academic field (*Paris University, Inst. History Studies*)
- == in International Organizations (*Finsider-Siderfrance, Paris, Consultant*, **EEC**-Economic Forecast Committee, Brussels, *member*),

== interruption by a marriage with a Diplomat, translocations and life abroad.

- Large spectrum of knowledge and interest in Economics, Politics and History, extensive culture and creativity.
- Universal person with a cosmopolitan life abroad (45 years) in different countries, (France, Belgium, Syria, Jordan, Sweden, Spain, Portugal, Bulgaria, US, etc.)
- Organizer and sponsor, in these different countries, of Cultural Associations, cross-roads of civilizations, political and economic relations between the locals and Diplomats of various nationalities (inside the diplomatic frame).
- Author of many lectures and events, promoting Greek and French civilization.
- Settled in Greece since 2003, she created and sponsored two Cultural Associations, one French speaking for foreign diplomat's wives (Cercle Culturel) and one for Greeks (PALMYRA), with systematic lectures and promotion of the Greek civilization.

- <u>Teaching ''Hellenism in the Orient'', at the Laiko University of</u> Athens, a subject almost unknown (attended by a big audience).
- Author of many lectures in different Cultural Associations in Greece and abroad and in International Seminars on the subject (ex. - lectures in Washington for American Senators and foreign Diplomats, 2007, -Lectures at Uzbekistan universities, organizer of an event for honoring Uzbekistan archeologists of Hellenism, on behalf of the Greek Ministry of Culture.
- <u>Organizer of an International Symposium in Athens</u> with the most important Archeologists of different countries, specialized in Hellenism in the Orient and excavating in Asia, presenting their most important findings on Hellenistic Era.
- Author of two books on the subject, one in Greek and one in French, sent to all French and Greek Universities and Professors of History,
- Subject, herself, of various articles, distinctions, awards and medals (UNESCO, Alexander's, Artemis) for all these volunteer cultural activities and for her dedication to Hellenism in the Orient.

N.B. It is important to specify that all these cultural activities, Associations (creation and organization), lectures, International Seminar in Athens, teaching at the Laiko University, articles in newspapers and magazines, presentations in TV, books, as well as the travels abroad for lectures and collecting archeological material, all expenses and necessary work are nobly sponsored by Mrs. Grigorakou herself.