

ATHINA ARAMPATZI DETAILED CURRICULUM VITAE 2026

Assistant Professor (Tenure-track) in the field of “Urban Sociology, Social Inequalities and Exclusions”, Department of Sociology, School of Social Sciences, University of Crete

RESEARCH INTERESTS:

- Urban policy, urban governance, and socio-spatial inequalities
- Sociology of housing
- Sustainable urban development and social innovation
- Urban commons, urban movements, social and solidarity economy

EDUCATION

2015 PhD in Social Geography School of Geography, University of Leeds, United Kingdom. Thesis Title: “Resisting austerity: the spatial politics of solidarity and struggle in Athens, Greece”. Supervisors: Prof. Paul Routledge, Prof. Paul Chatterton, Prof. Danny MacKinnon. Support Committee: Prof. Andy Cumbers, Sara Gonzalez.

2010 MSc in Sociology/Urban Studies Graduate School of Social Sciences, University of Amsterdam (UvA), Netherlands Awarded with honors (Cum laude). Thesis Title: “Tracing multi-scalar dynamics of urban movements: a case study of neighbourhood associations in the city of Athens, Greece”. Supervisors: Walter Nicholls, Doreen Greshof.

2008 Diploma in Architecture Department of Architecture, Polytechnic School, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (Awarded with honors). Thesis Title: “Urban regeneration at the city limits: the Dendropotamos settlement”. Research Paper Title: “The city in Modernism and its implementation in three new capitals: Chandigarh, Islamabad, Brasilia”. Supervisors: Vilma Hastaoglou, Nikos Papamichos.

2005 ERASMUS exchange program (undergraduate) School of Architecture, Planning and Environmental Policy, University College Dublin (UCD), Ireland

RESEARCH ACTIVITY

2025-to date Researcher “Energy Communities Excellence Hub: catalyzing energy innovation ecosystems”, EU Programmes 2021-2027, Horizon 2021-2027, Widening participation and strengthening the European Research Area. Scientific Coordinator: Giorgos Gritzis, School of Spatial Planning and Development, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.

2024-to date Researcher EUI01-255 “Integrated Participatory Roadmaps for Affordable Co-Living, (Rock the Block)”, European Urban Initiative, Regional Development Fund EU

and Municipality of Egaleo, Attica. Scientific Coordinator: Ioannis Psycharis, Institute of Regional Development, Panteion University of Athens.

2022-2024 Project Principal Investigator (Scientific Coordinator), Postdoctoral Researcher “Social innovation for urban development: the cities of Athens and Thessaloniki, Greece in a comparative perspective”, 3rd Call for H.F.R.I. (ELIDEK) Research Projects to Support Postdoctoral Researchers. School of Spatial Planning and Development, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.

2021-2022 Social fieldwork expert “Social fieldwork research: The fundamental rights situation of long-term residents in the EU”, European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights, Centre for European Constitutional Law (Themistokles and Dimitris Tsatsos Foundation).

2020-2025 Participation in research network “Alter-citizens in the Mediterranean and Middle East. Inventing resistance in times of violence”. Coordinator: Stéphanie Latte (EHESS/ CNRS/ANR), École des Hautes Études en Sciences Sociales (EHESS), Paris, France.

2020-2021 Postdoctoral Researcher “Spatial governance and civil society in the post-crisis period: the case of Athens”, State Scholarships Foundation (IKY). Supervisor: Stavros Stavrides, School of Architecture, National Technical University of Athens.

2017-2019 Postdoctoral Research Fellow Marie Skłodowska-Curie-Horizon2020-EU-IF “Post-crisis urban governance transformations in Southern Europe: a comparativist approach”, Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions, European Union. Supervisor: Fabiola Mota Consejero, Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, Spain.

2015-2017 Postdoctoral Researcher “Social movements and resource sovereignties”, School of Geography, University of Leeds, UK. Supervisor: Prof. Paul Routledge.

DISTINCTIONS and SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2022-2024: Hellenic Foundation for Research and Innovation (H.F.R.I./ELIDEK) 3rd Call to Support Postdoctoral Researchers.
- 2020-2021: State Scholarships Foundation (IKY), “Support for Postdoctoral Researchers - 2nd Cycle” (European Social Fund, EU).
- 2017-2019: European Commission, Horizon2020- Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions, Individual Fellowships.
- 2015-2017: University of Leeds, School of Geography, UK, Postdoc Research Fellowship.
- 2011-2014: Urban Studies Foundation, Glasgow, UK, PhD Research Scholarship.

- 2010: Graduate School of Social Sciences, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands, Stunt field research scholarship.

INVITED LECTURES

- 2025-2026: Technical University of Crete, School of Architecture, Greece. Course (Undergraduate): Social and cultural considerations of space. Lecture: “The production of urban space in neoliberalism and urban movements”.
- 2023-2025: University of Edinburgh, Edinburgh School of Architecture and Landscape Architecture, UK. Course (Postgraduate): Urban strategies and design. Lecture: “Touristification and urban social movements in Athens”.
- 2023-2025: Harokopio University of Athens, Department of Geography, Greece. Course (Undergraduate): Urban Geography. Lecture: “Touristification, gentrification, everyday life and resistance in the center of Athens: the case of Exarchia”.
- 2021: Universidade Federal de São Carlos, São Paulo, Department of Geography, Tourism and Humanities, Brazil. Course (Postgraduate): Espaços urbanos, movimentos sociais e solidariedade. Lecture: “Social Solidarity Economy and Urban Commoning: Madrid and Athens in a comparative perspective”.
- 2018: Universidad Autónoma de Madrid, Department of Political Science and International Relations, Spain. Course (Undergraduate): Contemporary Topics on Politics. Lecture: “Urban Politics and Social Movements in times of Crises”.
- 2014-2017: School of Geography, University of Leeds, UK. Course (Undergraduate): Urban and regional development: a case study of Athens. Participation with lectures.
- 2015-2016: School of Geography, University of Leeds, UK. Course (Undergraduate): Globalization. Participation with lectures.

PUBLICATIONS in SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS (Peer-reviewed)

ENGLISH

- Arampatzi, A. and Pettas, D. (2026). More than a housing crisis: state-led financialization and the restructuring of urban housing in Europe. *European Urban and Regional Studies*, 1-6.
- Arampatzi, A., Tzekou, E.-E., Iliopoulou, E. and Nalmpantis, S. (2025). Prospects and challenges for social innovation in the context of municipal-community partnerships in metropolitan Athens and Thessaloniki. *Journal of Place Management and Development* 18(2), 241-257.
- Arampatzi, A., Kouki, H. and Pettas, D. (2024). Re-thinking solidarity movements as infrastructure during the COVID-19 pandemic crisis: insights from Athens. *Social Movement Studies* 23(6), 777-793.

- Arampatzi, A. (2023). The role of civil society in urban governance: bottom-linked initiatives in Athens. *Urban Research & Practice* 16(4), 518-535.
- Arampatzi, A. (2022). Social innovation and austerity governance in Athens and Madrid: rethinking the changing contours of policy and practice. *European Urban and Regional Studies* 29(1), 45-58.
- Arampatzi, A. (2022). Social solidarity economy and urban commoning in post-crisis contexts: Madrid and Athens in a comparative perspective. *Journal of Urban Affairs* 44(10), 1375-1390.
- Arampatzi, A. and Janoschka, M. (2022). Agonistic politics in post-crisis landscapes: Comparative insights from Athens and Madrid. *Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers* 47(3), 590-603.
- Pettas, D., Arampatzi, A. and Dagkouli-Kyriakoglou (2022). LGBTQ+ housing vulnerability in Greece: intersectionality, coping strategies and, the role of solidarity networks. *Housing Studies*, 1-19.
- Arampatzi, A. (2018). Constructing solidarity as resistive and creative agency in austerity Greece. *Comparative European Politics* 16(1), 50-66.
- Arampatzi, A. (2017). Territorializing social movements: centralization and dispersal as spatial practices of counter-austerity struggle in Athens, Greece. *CITY: Analysis of urban trends, culture, theory, policy, action* 21(6), 724-736.
- Arampatzi, A. (2017). Contentious spatialities in an era of austerity: everyday politics and struggle communities in Athens, Greece. *Political Geography* 60, 47-56.
- Arampatzi, A. (2017). The spatiality of counter-austerity politics in Athens, Greece: emergent urban solidarity spaces. *Urban Studies* 54(9), 2155-2171.
- Arampatzi, A. and Nicholls, W.J. (2012). The urban roots of anti-neoliberal social movements: the case of Athens, Greece. *Environment and Planning A* 44(11), 2591-2610.

GREEK

- Arampatzi, A., Balampanidis, D., Papatzani, E., Psycharis, G. (2025). Integrated participatory tools for affordable housing: the "Rock the Block" project in the Municipality of Egaleo. Research paper and dissertation presentations, *Geographies*.
- Dagkouli-Kyriakoglou, M., Pettas, D. and Arampatzi, A. (2024). The housing precariousness of LGBTQ+ subjects in urban space in Greece. Special issue: Queer spatial meanings, *Geographies* 43, 22-32.
- Arampatzi, A., Pettas, D. and Samarinis, P. (2022). Introduction to the housing issue through the case of Athens. Dossier: Housing precariousness in crisis Europe: developments, interventions and stakes around housing, *Synchrona Themata* 155-156 (B), 119-121.

CHAPTERS in COLLECTIVE VOLUMES

ENGLISH

- Arampatzi, A. (forthcoming). "Solidarity as a multi-dimensional urban social practice: collective action, social reproduction and social innovation in Athens". In Meier, L. (Ed.) *The International Handbook of Urban Sociology*. Routledge UK/ Taylor & Francis.
- Arampatzi, A. (2024). "Re-visiting the 'Populist Moment': Geographies of Grassroots Movements and Left populism in Greece, Spain and Turkey". In Siso, O., Gürbüzdal, U. and Karaca, E. (Eds.) *Gezi at Ten: Domination, Opposition and Political Organization*, 131-157. Brill NV, Leiden.
- Arampatzi, A. (2018). "Social participation and the development of alternative economies in the post-crisis city of Athens". In Baron N. and Romero J. (Eds.) *Territorial culture and social innovation: Towards a new metropolitan model in Southern Europe?*, 59-66. Publicacions de la Universitat de Valencia Vol. 26.

GREEK

- Arampatzi, A., Iliopoulou, E., Nalmpantis, S., Tzekou, E.-E. (forthcoming). "Commons, Social Innovation and Urban Space: composing a conceptual framework for the study of public-community partnerships in Athens and Thessaloniki". Proceedings volume from the conference "Commons and Social and Solidarity Economy".
- Arampatzi, A., Iliopoulou E., Nalmpantis, S., Tzekou E.-E. (2024). "Social innovation and urban development: tracing perspectives and challenges in Athens". In Maloutas T., Spyrellis S. (Eds.) *Athens Social Atlas*. Electronic collection of texts and visual material.
- Tzekou, E.-E., Nalmpantis, S., Arampatzi, A. Iliopoulou, E. (2024). "Social innovation in urban food governance: the Thessaloniki Food Policy Council". In Athanasiou, E., Triantis, L., Christodoulou, C. (Eds.) *Thessaloniki Social Atlas*.
- Arampatzi, A. (2015). "Questioning the crisis: Collaborative social economy and solidarity or charity?". In Maloutas T., Spyrellis S. (Eds.) *Athens Social Atlas*.

SPANISH

- Arampatzi, A. (2019). "From crisis and austerity to urban social innovation? Insights from solidarity initiatives and grassroots alternatives in Athens". In Michelini J. (Ed.) *The creative metropolis: social innovation and spaces of resistance in Latin America and Southern Europe*, 377-401. Libros de la Catarata, Madrid.

DOCTORAL THESIS

- Arampatzi, A. (2014). *Resisting austerity: the spatial politics of solidarity and struggle in Athens, Greece*. PhD Thesis, University of Leeds, UK.

REVIEW OF SCIENTIFIC ARTICLES (Peer-reviewed)

Urban Studies (SAGE), CITIES (Elsevier), Social Movement Studies (Taylor & Francis), Urban Geography (Taylor & Francis), Journal of Urban Affairs (Taylor & Francis), Geography Compass (Wiley), Transactions of the Institute of British Geographers (Wiley), European Urban and Regional Studies (SAGE), CITY Analysis of Urban Change, Theory, Action (Taylor & Francis), Political Geography (Elsevier), Antipode (Wiley), Environment and Planning A, C, and D (SAGE), Territory Politics Governance (Taylor & Francis), Globalizations (Taylor & Francis), ACME: An international journal for Critical Geographies, Partecipazione e Conflitto (PACO).

PARTICIPATION in CONFERENCES, SYMPOSIA and WORKSHOPS

- 2025 Presentation (Invited Speaker): “Housing in Crisis: Navigating Contemporary Developments and Grassroots Mobilization in Athens”, Final International Workshop “Housing Rights in Times of Crises” (NTUA, ELIDEK), Athens, Greece.
- 2025 Presentation (Invited Speaker with Samarinis, P.): “Touristification, gentrification, everyday life, resistance in the center of Athens”, Panel “Alternative housing solutions and housing activism in Greece”, Student Conference of the Geography Department, Harokopio University, Athens, Greece.
- 2024 Workshop Paper (with Stavrides, S.): “Interstitial commoning and solidarity spaces in Athens”, IMAGIN-E research network conference, EHES, Marseille, France.
- 2024 Conference Presentation: “The role of social innovation in the relationship between municipal authorities and local communities: pressures, solutions, perspectives”, 1st Scientific Conference on Spatial Planning and Development, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece.
- 2024 Invited Presentation (with Dagkouli-Kyriakoglou, M. and Pettas, D.): “An intersectional approach to the housing precariousness of LGBTQ+ subjects in urban space”, Student Union for Gender and Equality (FYL.IS.) Workshop, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki.
- 2023 Invited Presentation (with Kouki, H. and Pettas, D.): “Re-thinking solidarity movements as infrastructure: insights from Athens”, University Institute of Lisbon, Portugal.
- 2023 Invited Keynote Presentation: “Social Innovation: Concepts, Ideas, Practices”, CORAL Innovative Training Network Conference, Athens, Greece.
- 2023 Conference Presentation: “Commons, Social Innovation and Urban Space: case studies from Athens and Thessaloniki”, 2nd Conference on the Commons and Social and Solidarity Economy, Agricultural University of Athens, Greece.

- 2022 Conference Presentation: “Transformative perspectives of Social Innovation in the Urban Environment”, Round Table “Participatory research and perspectives for cooperative housing in Greece”, Geographies-Scientific Conference, Harokopio University, Athens, Greece.
- 2021 Invited Presentation: “Social and Solidarity Economy and Urban Governance: the example of Madrid (2015-2019)”. Workshop of SSE Support Centers.
- 2021 Invited Presentation: “Pandemic crisis and the invisible cities of care”. Workshop “Urban Ecologies”, OKTO/New Alphabet School (HKW), Germany/Goethe Institute.
- 2019 Invited Presentation: “Social innovation and Social Solidarity Economy: perspectives from the South of Europe”. Sciences Po/ CERI Workshop, Paris, France.
- 2019 Conference Paper: “From contestation to governance: comparative insights into the institutionalization of social movements in Madrid and Athens”. 8th International Conference of Critical Geography, Athens, Greece.
- 2019 Conference Paper: “Post-crisis governance transformations: a comparative perspective between Madrid, Spain and Athens, Greece”. Association of American Geographers (AAG) Conference, Washington DC, USA.
- 2018 Invited Presentation: “Co-Hab Athens, an experiment of collective housing”. Athens Polytechnic School Workshop, Greece.
- 2018 Conference Paper: “Social participation and the development of alternative economies in Athens, Greece”. Universitat de Valencia, Spain.
- 2016 Conference Paper/ Panel Organization (with Habermehl, V.): “Everyday Politics: In, Against and Beyond Crises (I and II)”. AAG Conference, San Francisco, USA.
- 2016 Conference Paper: “Territorializing global justice movements: spatial practices of resistance and alternatives to austerity in Athens”. Contested Cities International Conference, Madrid, Spain.
- 2015 Invited Presentation: “Constructing resistance and alternatives to austerity: solidarity spaces in Athens, Greece”. University of Glasgow Conference, UK.
- 2015 Invited Presentation: “Spatializing transition”. University of York Workshop, UK.
- 2014 Conference Paper (with Alexandri, G.): “The geographies of fascist and anti-fascist practices in Athens, Greece”. RGS-IBG Annual International Conference, London, UK.
- 2014 Conference Paper: “From Austerity Neoliberalism to Urban Solidarity: exploring possibilities and constraints through the case of Athens, Greece”. City Futures Conference, Paris, France.

- 2013 Conference Paper: “Urban Struggles: the case of Athens, Greece”. Urban Studies Foundation Conference, Leicester, UK.
- 2012 Conference Paper (with Nichols, W.): “The Urban Roots of Anti-Neoliberal Social Movements: The Case of Athens, Greece”. RGS-IBG Conference, Edinburgh, UK.
- 2012 Invited Presentation: “(Re-) Occupy the city: a discussion about conflict and solidarity in times of crisis”. Rosa-Luxemburg Stiftung Workshop, Berlin, Germany.

ORGANIZATION of CONFERENCES and WORKSHOPS

- 2024 Workshop Organization as part of the Postdoctoral research project “INNOVATur” (H.F.R.I./ELIDEK).
- 2021 Scientific Committee Member, Participatory Lab Conference, Participatory Design: City, Environment and Climate Change, Athens, Greece.
- 2019 Organization of Two-day Workshop “Post-crisis governance transformations: a comparative perspective between Madrid and Athens” (Marie Skłodowska-Curie Fellowship).
- 2016 Co-organization of Presentation Panels (with Habermehl, V.): “Everyday Politics: In, Against and Beyond Crises (I and II)”. AAG Conference, San Francisco, USA.
- 2016 Co-organization of Presentation Panels (with Prof. Painter, J.): “Spatial justice and the state”. Doreen Massey and the Ecology of the Left: A Memorial, London, UK.
- 2015 Co-organization of Two-day Workshop (Cities and Social Justice Research Cluster): “Think hope, think crisis, with John Holloway”. University of Leeds, UK.
- 2012 Co-organization of Presentation Panels (with Prof. Featherstone D., Prof. MacKinnon, D. and Dr Nolan, L.J.): “Politicizing the Crisis”. RGS-IBG Conference, Edinburgh, UK.

PRESENTATIONS and BOOK EDITING

- 2021 Scientific editing of the book: Holt-Jensen, A. (forthcoming) *Geography: History and Concepts*. (Transl. from English, 2018, London: SAGE) Athens: EAP Publications.
- 17/10/19 Presentation of the book: Pettas, D. (2018) *Public Space, City and Power*. Athens: Oi Ekdoseis ton Synadelfon.
- 09/02/18 Presentation of the book: Cappuccini, M. (2017) *Austerity & Democracy in Athens: Crisis and Community in Exarchia*. London: Palgrave MacMillan.

PRESS and BLOGS

- Arampatzi, A. and Tzekou, E.-E. “Social innovation in municipal partnerships with civil society: the Food Policy Council in Thessaloniki”, Parallaxi, 13/10/2024.
- Tzekou, E.-E. and Arampatzi, A. “Critical issues of Thessaloniki's urban space and the role of social innovation”, Parallaxi, 03/10/2023.
- Samarinis, P. and Arampatzi, A. “Strefi Hill: 'adoption' birthed mobilization and coordination”, I Epohi, 16/05/2021.
- Arampatzi, A. “Journalistic Cooperatives in Greece and Spain: a comparative study”, I Efimerida ton Syntakton, 09/11/2019.
- Kouki, H. and Arampatzi, A. “City, Power and Public Space”, I Efimerida ton Syntakton, 26/10/2019.
- Arampatzi, A. “Mares de Madrid: the Madrilenian 'seas' of the Social and Solidarity Economy”, I Efimerida ton Syntakton, 12/02/2018.
- Arampatzi, A. “Swapping Is Contagious”, Pop-Up City, 13/06/2011.
- Arampatzi, A. “Spin a Yarn Granny!”, Pop-Up City, 27/11/2010.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

LANGUAGES

- Greek: Native
- English: Cambridge Proficiency C2. Excellent knowledge, written and oral.
- Spanish: DELE B2. Very good knowledge, written and oral.
- French: Good knowledge, written and oral.