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The Geopolitical Plan of Alexandros Mavrokordatos and the Greek Independence (1820-1832)

On Sunday, March 13, 2022, at 2:00 pm US Central Time (9:00 pm Athens time), Hellenic Link-Midwest presents *Prof. Aristides Hatzis*, University of Athens, Greece, on the occasion of the Celebration of the 1821 Greek Revolution, in an online lecture titled: “*The Geopolitical Plan of Alexandros Mavrokordatos and the Greek Independence (1820–1832)*.” This is a lecture supported by the [Hellenic Foundation, Chicago](#).

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Mavrokordatos was the only one who understood from the very beginning that this Revolution was going to be successful only if the Greeks would attempt and achieve a major geopolitical reorientation. The Greeks should escape from Russia’s sphere of influence; they should abolish Russia’s monopoly in their “protection”; they should correct a false impression in the West that discredited their revolution: The Greek uprising was not part of a Russian plan to break the Ottoman Empire apart; Greeks were not Russia’s pawns. The political goal of the Greek Revolution was not the founding of another autonomous principality, subjugated to the Sultan but under the heavy shadow of Russia. It was much more: the founding of an independent state, governed as a European state, a part of the West. In this lecture professor Hatzis will discuss the development of Mavrokordatos’ geopolitical plan from 1820 to 1826 and its political effect on the Greek issues from 1827 to 1832.

Aristides Hatzis is a Professor of Philosophy of Law and Theory of Institutions at the University of Athens (Ph.D. University of Chicago), the Director of Research at the Center for Liberal Studies-Athens and a Fellow of the Institute for Research in Economics and Fiscal Issues-Paris. He is a member of the National Committee for the Celebration for the Bicentennial of the Greek Revolution (1821–2021). His book *The Noblest Cause: The 1821 Greek War of Independence* will be published in the United States in 2022. His op-eds have been published by the New York Times, the Financial Times, the Wall Street Journal, the Washington Post, the CNBC and he has given interviews to major international media outlets

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