



## PRESS RELEASE

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### **ICBSS elected as Focal Point for Southern and Western Greece of the Anna Lindh Foundation Greek Network**

Following an electoral process among the members of the Anna Lindh Foundation Greek Network, the **ICBSS** has been successfully elected as **one of the three “Focal Points”** of the Foundation in Greece for the period 2019-2021.

Representing the ICBSS and the Director General, Mr. Georgios Mitrakos, **Ms. Athina Korovesi**, member of the ICBSS Team and contact person for the Anna Lindh Foundation Greek Network, elected **Head of the Focal Point for Southern and Western Greece**.

The abovementioned regions include the **Region of Central Greece, Attica, the Region of Peloponnese** and the **Region of the Islands of the Ionian Sea**. The term has a duration of three years, within which the ICBSS and its Head will have a close cooperation with the management of the Anna Lindh Foundation Greek Network, with the Heads and the Focal Points for Northern and Eastern Greece accordingly, and last but not least with the member organizations and institutions of the Greek Network based in Southern and Western Greece.

The ICBSS management and staff appreciate most sincerely the distinction and look forward for the implementation of the planned future actions of the Anna Lindh Foundation Greek Network in domestic and international level, starting from the **First National Meeting** of the Network that will take place on 8-10 November 2019, in Thessaloniki, Greece.

#### **Few words about the Anna Lindh Foundation:**

The [Anna Lindh Foundation](https://www.alfhellas.gr/en) is an international organization working from the Mediterranean to promote intercultural and civil society dialogue in the face of growing mistrust and polarisation. Founded in 2004, its Headquarters inaugurated in 2005 in Alexandria, Egypt. The Foundation has coordinators and management staff based across more than 40 countries. The Foundation is the first common institution for dialogue co-created by the European Union and its Mediterranean Partner countries and consists the largest network of civil society actors involved in Intercultural Dialogue in the wider Euro-Mediterranean region, with more than 4.500 member organizations across its National Networks in 42 countries.

Read more about the Anna Lindh Foundation Greek Network on <https://www.alfhellas.gr/en>.

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**About the ICBS:** The International Centre for Black Sea Studies (ICBS) was founded in 1998 as a non-profit organisation. It has since fulfilled a dual function. On the one hand, it is an independent research and training institution focusing on the wider Black Sea region. On the other hand, it is a related body of the Organisation of the Black Sea Economic Cooperation (BSEC) and serves as its acknowledged think-tank. Thus, the ICBS pursues applied, policy-oriented research, promotes knowledge on the Black Sea region both within and outside its boundaries, and offers policy advice with the aim to foster multilateral cooperation among the BSEC member states as well as with their international partners.

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