



The Coordinating Committee of Pontian Associations of Melbourne for the Commemoration of the Genocide of the Greeks of Pontos

INVITE YOU

to participate in the commemorative events for the Genocide inflicted upon the Christian Hellenic populations of Pontos, Asia Minor and eastern Thrace, on 14 and 15 May 2016.

- > Saturday 14 May, 11am. Wreath-laying Ceremony at the Australian-Hellenic Memorial, Domain Gardens, Melbourne.
- > Sunday 15 May, 9:30am. Holy Liturgy at the Cathedral of the Ayios Eustathios, 221 Dorcas St, South Melbourne.
- > Sunday 15 May, 4pm. Open forum around the topic «After political recognition comes the difficult task». Central Pontian Community of Melbourne, 345 Victoria St, Brunswick. Keynote speaker: Dr Panayiotis Diamadis, Vice-President of the Australian Institute for Holocaust and Genocide Studies.

Dr Diamadis is a genocide scholar and experienced educator. Amongst his latest publications are:

- «Remembering George Treloar, Australia's First Commissioner for Refugees» Australian Institute of International Affairs 8 February 2016 http://www.internationalaffairs.org.au/australian_outlook/remembering-george-treloar-australias-first-commissioner-for-refugees/
- «Governmental and Parliamentary Recognition of the Genocides of the Armenians, Assyrians and Hellenes» The American Hellenic Institute
 Foundation Policy Journal Vol.7, Spring 2016

http://ahiworld.org/AHIFpolicyjournal/pdfs/Volume7Spring/03diamadis.pdf

Founded by Prof Colin Tatz, the AIHGS played key roles in the motions recognising the Genocides of the Hellenes, Armenians and Assyrians in the Parliaments of South Australia (2009) and New South Wales (2013).

It would be the honour and pleasure of the Coordinating Committee to have you join us as we honour the memory of the millions of Hellenes, Armenians and Assyrians whose lives were unjustly cut short. Join us, as together, we demand the justice of recognition for our ancestors.

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