



INVITATION

The War Archive is delighted to invite to a presentation of the book

“Konstantinos Perrikos (1905-1943) : Biography of a Hero”

by the authors of the book

P.Vatakis (Group Captain, Hellenic Air Force) and **K.Lagos** (Historian,Professor, Air Force Academy)

On Saturday 17 March 2018 at 19.30

The presentation will be in Greek

Summary of the presentation

The book using a wealth of previously unknown sources and material casts new light on the life, personality and activities of the officer of the Greek Air Force K.Perrikos and of his invaluable services to the nation. As well as participating in the Greek-Italian war, he was one of the first organizers of active resistance against the Nazi invaders. His resistance activities covered not only the publication of news sheets and propaganda material but also espionage and sabotage against the occupiers.

His crowing action, which also cost him his life, was the blowing up of the offices of the pro-Nazi Greek party ESPO which had actively collaborated with the occupying forces. This action gave a boost to the morale of the public and was a severe blow to the occupiers. He was, however, arrested tried by a German court martial and shot.

His bravery during his trial and his example as a visionary of a united but free Europe has established him as a shining beacon in the history of the Greek resistance during the war.

The authors/presenters

P.Vatakis is a flying officer of the Hellenic Air force with more than 4,500 hours of experience. He attended and graduated from a variety of Air Force Schools and Training Academies during his career as well as obtaining a MBA from the Economics University of Athens. In addition to being in charge of the training squadron he was also in charge of the publications activities of the Air Force and has written extensively on areas of history and air force history in particular

K.Lagos is a graduate in history from the Athens University and has received his Ph.D from Durham University in the UK. He has taught in numerous universities and institutes in Greece and is now professor of history at the Air Forcer Academy. He has written extensively on military and air force history

Prof V.Filias, who was the dean of the Pantios University in Athens , died unfortunately just 12 days after the book was published. His presence will be missed.

The War Archive is looking very much forward to your presence in this event.

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