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The Lasithi

Plateau windmills and their legacy: A life story

In the summer of 1948 my family took a holiday in Crete to recover from the dreadful deprivations of the occupation and civil war in Greece. One outing involved a visit to Lasithi plateau. Unexpectedly, that event had a crucial influence on the way my professional career eventually developed. The talk will describe how this came about and how, what seem to be insignificant events in childhood, may shape one's future,

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