

EUROPEAN THERMAL HERITAGE DAY

20. OCTOBER 2026 | LOUTRAKI

Development of spa towns in Greece during the first half of the 20th century

PROGRAMME

15:00 **Welcome & Introduction**

15:10 **Afroditi Kamara** (*Historian-Cultural Heritage Consultant*): Shedding new light to Greek Thermalism from Antiquity to the Modern Era. The book on the history of Greek thermal infrastructure, practices and spas.

15:35 **Melina Kostidi** (*Historian*): Spa resorts in the social and economic life of the early modern Greek State (1830-1930). ONLINE

15:50 **Maria Tsitimaki** (*Architect*): Cosmopolitanism and Spa architecture in Greece at the beginning of the 20th century

16:05 **Eva Psatha** (*Tourism specialist*): Cosmopolitanism in Loutraki through advertisement and hotel architecture.

16:20 **Q&A**

16:30 **Isabelle Brown** (*Conservatrice du patrimoine, chercheuse*): Building and Inhabiting Spa towns: Styles and Typologies of Housing Architecture in the Thermal Cities of Auvergne (1918 – 1950).

16:45 **Hans Hornyik** (*President EHTTA SC, Spa heritage specialist*): European Spa Architecture between the World Wars. (Developments illustrated by examples from Austria, Italy, Germany, the USA, and Taiwan.)

17:00 **Despoina Lampada** (*Art Historian*): the artist Stefanos Xenopoulos and the mosaics in the Rotunda of Loutraki.

17:15 **Walk to the Rotunda**

