Theodora (Dora) Monioudi-Gavala holds a PhD in Architecture-Engineering and is professor emerita of the History of Architecture in the Department of History-Archaeology (was established following the annulment of the Department of Cultural Heritage Management and New Technologies), University of Patras. She studied architecture at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and did her doctorate at the School of Architecture and Engineering, National Technical University of Athens. She has worked on special architectural studies (to regenerate historic city centres and traditional settlements, and to restore monuments) and on architectural and urban planning studies. With many years of activity researching the history of the urban conferences and holds memberships in a number of learned societies. She has been awarded a Commendation from the Academy of Athens (1996). She is author of 9 books.