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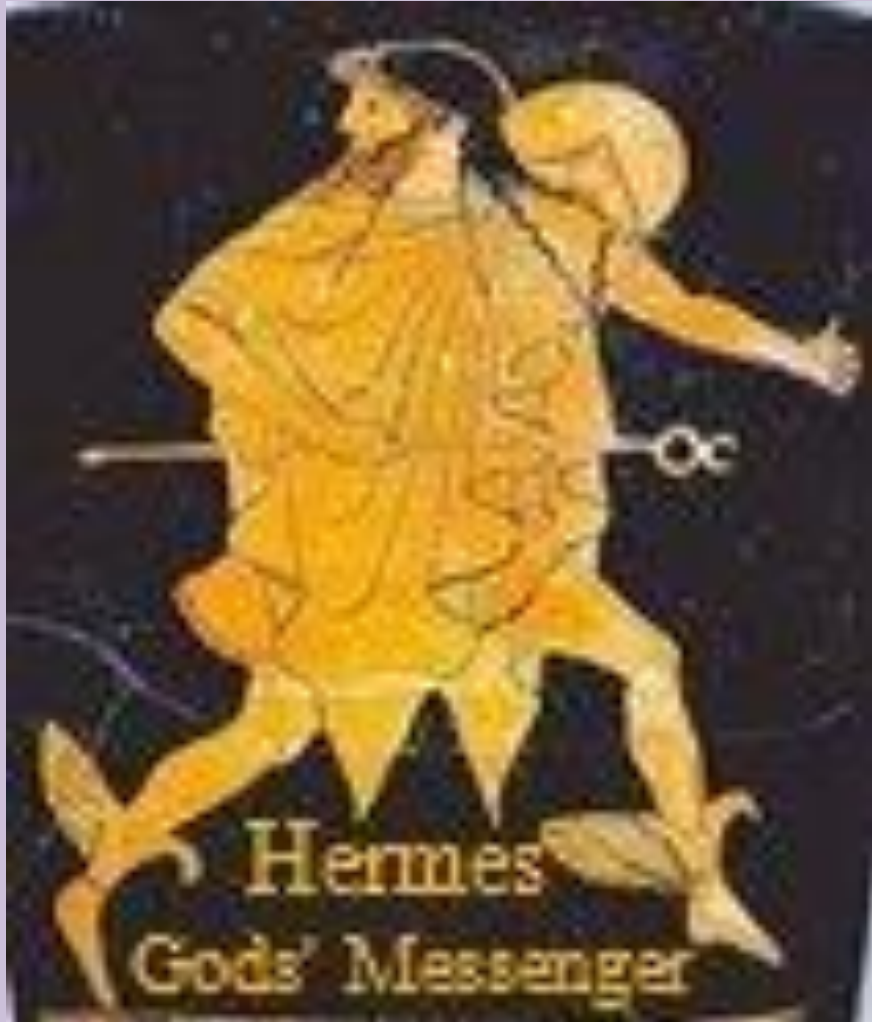
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President's Message

The Athens Institute for Education and Research (ATINER) is pleased to announce the publication of a number of peer reviewed, open access journals of original research work. Most of the articles will be selected from the numerous papers that have been presented at the various annual international academic conferences organized by the different research divisions and units of the Athens Institute for Education and Research. The plethora of papers presented every year will enable the editorial board of each journal to select the best, and in so doing produce a top quality academic journal. In addition to papers presented, ATINER will encourage the independent submission of papers to be evaluated for publication.

The current issue is the first of the *Athens Journal of Mass Media and Communications* published by the [Mass Media & Communication Research Unit](#) of the Athens Institute for Education and Research (ATINER).

Gregory T. Papanikos
President
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Editor's Note

This publication marks the launching of the first peer reviewed Journal of the Athens Institute for Education and Research (ATINER). ATINER has been involved in the organizing and hosting of a multitude of Conferences and Symposiums in the past, and even though it has produced numerous publications in the form of, inter alia, books, abstracts, and an on-line paper series, there has been a growing need to recognize outstanding papers, and thus the idea was conceived of having such papers published in Journals.

The Athens Journal of Mass Media and Communications (AJMMC) will contain articles on various disciplines of media, communication. This Journal will hopefully go a long way in reflecting the inherent usefulness of these disciplines, and the vital role they play in providing, inter alia, a better perspective on, and perhaps even giving a clearer meaning to our very existence on this planet.

With the introduction of this Journal, we look forward to making a further contribution to the study of the Mass Media and Communications, and to furthering our knowledge in the various fields of study that are generally recognized under this umbrella 'term'.

As editor, I am joined in this endeavor by a truly excellent Editorial Board, as well as highly competent publishing support at ATINER. It is envisaged that the Journal will be published quarterly.

Dr. Yorgo Pasadeos
Editor of the *Mass Media and Communications*
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