History of Electoral Research in Greece

1st period: the birth of electoral studies
- 1985-1990: Pre-election studies conducted by the National Centre for Social Research (EKKE)
  - 1985 national election: ‘Comparative Study of Political Culture in South Europe’, supervised by Prof. Ilias Nikolakopoulos
  - 1989a, 1989b, 1990 national elections: ‘Observatory of elections’ (Ministry of Interior), supervised by Prof. Ilias Nikolakopoulos

2nd period: stagnation with little academic research
- Surveys conducted by private opinion poll institutions (OPINION 1993; MRB 2000)

3rd period: Panel surveys
Comparative National Elections Project (CNEP)
- 1996: CNEP I, conducted by EKKE, supervised by Prof. Nikiforos Diamandouros
- 2004: CNEP II, conducted by EKKE, supervised by Prof. Christos Lyrintzis
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4th period: inauguration of a NES under the auspices of Aristotle University, Department of Political Sciences, Laboratory of Applied Political Research

- **2009**: post-electoral voter study and an elite study
  - Comparative Study of Electoral Systems (CSES III)
  - Comparative Candidate Survey (CCS) 2009

- **2012**: post-electoral voter study, elite study and voting advice application
  - First Hellenic National Election Study (ELNES) - includes CSES Module IV
  - Comparative Candidate Survey (CCS) 2012-2013
  - Voting advice application HelpmeVote 2012
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CSES Module III
post-electoral survey 2009

* Voter Study Data Collection Organization: Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (AUTH), Dept. of Political Sciences, Laboratory of Applied Political Research in collaboration with OPINION S.A and CMR Ltd

* Voter Study Funding Organization(s): Dept. of Political Sciences AUTH


* Principal Investigator(s): Ioannis Andreadis; Theodore Chadjipadelis and Eftichia Teperoglou

* Sample: 1022; Mode of interview: telephone

  * Representative of the Greek population aged 18-89 years old with voting rights, Greek nationality, covering all regions of Greece (mainland and Greek islands). Appropriate software was used to randomly select the sample from the data base telephone list by area proportional to total population

  * Geographic stratification: Attica, Thessaloniki, rest of Greece

  * QUOTA: by sex and age
**Voter Study Data Collection Organization:** Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Dept. of Political Sciences, Laboratory of Applied Political Research in collaboration with To The Point Research Consulting Communication S.A.

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Face-to-face interviews sample:
Firstly, geographical cluster sampling was used, but the regions of Attiki and Thessaloniki have been excluded from the selection of the clusters. Then in each selected cluster, systematic sampling was used, i.e. the interviewers selected the first house randomly and they continued in the cluster selecting every kth house. Secondly, quota sampling for age was used (i.e. when people aged <55 reached 30% of the sample they have stopped collecting any more responses from people of this age group).

Scholarly output ELNES 2012

* Presentation of the results at a “Balkan meeting” in Florina, April 2013 (as a follow up of the meeting in Belgrade “Supporting Election Studies in the Balkans”)
* Collaboration with the research team of the project “Elections, Leadership and Accountability: Political Representation in Portugal in a Longitudinal and Comparative Perspective” (CIES-IUL)
* Special issue in South European Society & Politics “Political Representation in times of Crisis: Evidence from Portugal and Greece” (forthcoming, end of 2014)
* Panel in the forthcoming General Conference of the Greek Political Science Association (Athens, Dec 2014) organized by Theodore Chadjipadelis and Eftichia Teperoglou) titled “From the double earthquake elections of 2012 to the 2014 European elections: dimensions of continuity and discontinuity of the party system and of electoral behavior”
Thank you for your attention!

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