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Leonidas' monument at the Thermopylae, source:https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Leonidas'_statue.jpg

LECTURE AT THE OeAI AT ATHENS

THE 'PERSIAN WARS': AN ALTERNATIVE PERSPECTIVE?

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If we look at the never-ending stream of contributions to the topic by modern scholarship one cannot avoid the conclusion that all modern Histories' of the 'Persian Wars' are still more or less witty and erudite reproductions of Herodotus' Histories. The basis of this approach is the adamant conviction that Herodotus' was able (and willing) to separate fact from fiction and that his Histories by and large report what essentially had happened. The lecture tries to demonstrate the serious problems related to such an approach and to propose an alternative way to explore the topic.

The lecture will take place on the premises of the Austrian Archaeological Institute at Athens. For online attendance, please register via zoom: https://oeaw-ac-at.zoom.us/meeting/register/u5AtfuiurDosHt10EGIwZ0ISJuxfDWL_KHgu After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

