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PROGRAMME

Address by the Vice-Rector for Academic Affairs, International Relations, and Extroversion of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, **Professor Sophia Papaioannou**.

Welcome address by the Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, **Ambassador Alexandra Papadopoulou**.

Welcome address by the Dean of the Faculty of Law, **Professor Konstantinos Christodoulou**.

Presentation of the work and personality of the keynote speaker by the former President of the European Court of Human Rights and **Professor at the Faculty of Law, Linos-Alexandros Sicilianos**.

Keynote speech by the **Secretary General of the Council of Europe, Mr. Alain Berset**.

Awarding of the “Lord Byron” Prize

Address by the President of the Academy of Athens, **Nikiforos Diamandouros, Professor Emeritus** of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

Presentation of the award recipient and honorary reference to the Swiss Philhellenes, by the **President of the Society for Hellenism and Phihellenism, Mr. Konstantinos Velentzas**.

Awarding of the “Lord Byron” Prize to the **Secretary General of the Council of Europe, Mr. Alain Berset**.

The event will be conducted in **English**

The National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
the School of Law

and the Hellenic Society of International Law
and International Relations (HSILIR)

are organizing an event entitled:

«Democracy, the Rule of Law, Human Rights.

The Council of Europe in the Face of Contemporary Challenges»

and the awarding ceremony

conferring the **“Lord Byron” Prize**

upon the **Secretary General of the Council of Europe**

Mr. Alain Berset

that will take place on **Monday, February 9, 2026 at 18:00 p.m.**

in the **Great Hall of the National and Kapodistrian**

University of Athens

(main Building, 30 Panepistimiou St).

You are cordially invited to attend.

The Rector

Professor Gerasimos Siasos

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