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Press release

The Chair of Modern Greek Studies at the University of Munich (LMU) and AHEPA Munich (AHEPA München - "Friedrich von Thiersch "e.V.) co-organized on Monday, 15.07, an event on the occasion of the 160th anniversary of the birth of Eleftherios Venizelos. The event was held under the auspices of the General Secretariat of Greeks Abroad and Public Diplomacy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The Secretariat's chair, Dr. Ioannis Chrysoulakis, addressed the event via a recorded message. The President of AHEPA Munich, Mr. Christos Kafasis, also delivered a greeting address and announced the establishment of an AHEPA scholarship to support Greek studies at the University of Munich, while stressing the need to support and highlight the work of the departments promoting Greek culture in the Bavarian capital.

The dramatized documentary "Venizelos, the struggle for Asia Minor", a co-production of the National Foundation "Eleftherios K. Venizelos", ERT and Long Run Productions was screened during the event. The dep. Director of the National Foundation "Eleftherios Venizelos", Mr. George Koukourakis, presented a paper on the elements of Eleftherios Venizelos' personality that made him one of the most influential politicians in modern Greek history, while the Professor of Modern Greek Studies, Dr. Lilia Diamantopoulou, gave a short presentation of unpublished material related to Eleftherios Venizelos from Polychronis Enepekidis' historical archive, which is a research subject for her and the students of the department.

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