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The Danish Institute at Athens is pleased to invite you to a lecture in English
“Supplying the Ottoman army. The experience of an official contractor”
By Dr Mogens Pelt, SAXO-institute, University of Copenhagen

Wednesday 28 September at 19.00 in the Lecture Hall,
Herefondos 14A, Plaka, Athens

During the inter-war period the entrepreneur Prodromos Bodosakis-Athanasiadis established himself as one of the most important industrialists in Greece – a position he would keep until the end of his life in 1979. In a wider Mediterranean context his fame rested on his ability to bring arms and military supplies to the war-zones that emerged on the eve of the Second World War.

Bodosakis was born in Anatolia. He arrived in Greece in the wake of the Asia Minor Catastrophe while the foundation for his career was laid in the Ottoman Empire during the First World War.

The lecture will trace and discuss the ways in which Bodosakis managed to rise from a small-scale businessman in the Ottoman port town of Mersin in Cilicia to become the main supplier for the Ottoman armies in the Middle East and for the Baghdad Railway Company.

