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# Rhetorical competition at HUFS University (South Korea) with reference to Ancient Greece, Byzantium and the Ecumenical Patriarchate

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On Thursday 30 May 2024, the Department of Greek Studies of HUFS organized a Rhetoric Contest in which the following seven students participated:

1. Vasilia Yoo Jua: Attractive similarities between Jeju Island and Crete
2. Justinian Choii Junhui: Pilgrimage to Constantinople
3. Dimitra Hur Dagyo: Wrestling: the sport with the Greek spirit
4. Socrates Joonho Lee: Why I love Socrates
5. Victoria Jeong Hyun Lee: A Dangerous Driving Trip to Crete
6. Thalis Oh Yunsang: Why I chose to study Greek
7. Minoan Kim Kangmin: Sing the hymn: To the Defender (Ti Ypermaxo)

First prize in the Rhetoric Competition was awarded to second-year student Justinian Choi Junhui with a prize of 200,000 won.

During the program, the freshmen’s choir sang three Greek songs, and a Greek short film was shown with Korean subtitles translated by the third-year students.

The Greek Embassy in Seoul was represented by Mr. Konstantinos Daskalopoulos, Counsellor for Economic Affairs. The event was also attended by members of the Korean Orthodox Metropolis.

Before the Rhetoric Contest, first-year students with their professor Aristotelis-Ambrosios Zographos took a long walk in the beautiful Campus of our University and took commemorative photos. Afterwards the professor offered them a delicious meal in the VIP room at the professors’ restaurant and talked to them about their academic career and their future life. During lunch, everyone was given the opportunity to feel like family and connect more with each other.

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