



Special Lecture

On



The Importance of Rigveda

By:



**Professor Nicholas Kazanas, Padma-Shri
Director, Omilos Meleton,
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Professor Nicholas Kazanas, Padma-Shri was born in Greece. After his High School. he went to England for higher studies. He pursued his Postgraduate studies MA and PhD at India in Varanasi and Deccan College, Pune. Afterwards he taught for some years in England. He established the Omilos Meleton, Cultural Institute to promote the study of Vedanta and Sanskrit, as there were no such studies in Greece then. He is Director of Omilos Meleton, Cultural Institute, Athens, Greece. He has translated into Greek the 10 Principal Upanishads, and some hymns of the Rigveda. Since 2000 he has been publishing many articles and books in the West and in India on Indology. He is honoured with prestigious 'Padma Shri' award in the year 2021.

Chaired By:



**Professor Michel Danino, Padma-Shri
Scholar of Ancient Indian Civilization;
Visiting Professor at IIT Gandhinagar**

French-born Dr. Michel Danino has lived in India since 1977. He has written many books including The Lost River: On the Trail of the Sarasvati, 2010, Indian Culture and India's Future, 2011, Sri Aurobindo and India's Rebirth (2018-edited). Since 2011, he has been teaching Indian civilization and knowledge systems at IIT Gandhinagar as a visiting Professor and assisting its Archaeological Sciences Centre. Prof. Michel Danino was a member of the Indian Council of Historical Research and is a member of the Indian National Commission for History of Science. He is convener of a CBSE committee for the course Knowledge Traditions and Practices of India. He is a life Member of WAVES, India. In 2017, the Government of India awarded him Padma Shri for his academic work.

You are requested to attend the program and participate actively in Q &A session

RSVP:



Prof. Shashi Tiwari
President, WAVES (India)



Dr. Aparna (Dhir) Khandelwal
Secretary, WAVES (India)

**Day & Date : Sunday, March 14, 2021;
Time : From 5.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.**

*You all are cordially invited.
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