

Thucydides P. Valentis (1908-1982)

Thucydides Valentis was born in Cairo and studied at the School of Architecture at the National Technical University of Athens, graduating in 1930. He was immediately employed by the Technical Service of the Ministry of Education, where he designed some of the most significant school buildings of the nineteen thirties. In 1935 he was hired as an architect by the Directorate of Public Works of the Air Force Ministry, where he was involved in airports until he resigned in 1960.

In tandem, starting in 1931 and until he retired in 1980, he was a successful free-lance architect, receiving distinctions at Pan-Hellenic architectural competitions, involved in designing furniture and objects and taking part in architectural exhibitions.

He was elected to the chair of Building Science at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki in 1961, and the chair of Building Science and Architectural Compositions at the School of Architecture of the National Technical University of Athens in 1968, where he remained until 1974.

In 1936, along with K. Panagiotakos, he represented Greece at the IV. TRIENALLE of Milan.

In 1966 he was awarded the Gold Cross of the Greek order of King George I.