

## SUMMARY

**Subject of the thesis:** Current state and prospects of development of Russian-Greek relations.

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**Relevance of the research issue:** Today, the world political system is subjected to changes wide scale, acquiring characteristics such as the unpredictability of events, instability, mobility, the rise of new threats as regional as global security. Foreign political situation in the world is largely determined by the position of sovereign states in the world arena. It is implied that states conduct its foreign policy, focusing on the trends of the modern world order, or it will remain isolated from the events occurring on the world stage.

Given current realities, an important region in the modern system of international relations is the Balkans which is possessing a favorable geostrategic position, but also a high potential for conflict. Greek vector in Russia's policy is one of the important direction. A huge role is played by the historical factor of Russia's presence in this region, and the level of closeness of Russians and many of the Balkan peoples, primarily the Greeks, in the cultural and confessional spheres. It is necessary to analyze and evaluate the foreign policy opportunities for the development of relations with the Greece. In addition, the relevance of the work caused by its insufficient study, it appears to be more extensive study of this problem taking into account all the essential characteristics of the policies of both countries.

**The purpose** of the research is to analyze the specifics of modern Russian-Greek relations and their development prospects in the context of contemporary international relations.

**Research objectives:**

- to consider the main theoretical directions in the study of foreign policy;
- to identify the features of the foreign policy activity in the modern system of international relations;
- to investigate modern trends of development of international relations;

- to determine the place of Russia and Greece in the modern system of international relations;
- to study the genesis of the development of Russian - Greek relations;
- to identify prospects of development of Russian-Greek relations.

**Scientific novelty** of the research consists on conducted a comprehensive study of the peculiarities of Russian-Greek relations in the conditions of instability and uncertainty in the modern globalizing world, and that is especially important, given recent events on the world stage (the situation in Ukraine, the "war of sanctions" between Russia and the West), which led to another round of exacerbations. Significant from the point of view of novelty of the research problem is the use of the materials in the Greek language, are analyzed in the course of diplomatic training in the Hellenic Republic.

**Structure:** an introduction, two chapters, containing six paragraphs, a conclusion and 105-reference bibliography (22 of which are in English and 14 sources in Greek language) and 5 appendixes. The total volume is 72 pages.

**Summary:** Currently, we are witnessing fundamental changes in the global political process. It is characterized by the construction of a radically new world system with certain trends and phenomena. The destruction of the bipolar system of international relations and policy for the transition to a multipolar had a significant impact on all spheres of life of the world community, and especially on the foreign policy of modern states.

Today, there is a unique opportunity to lay a new foundation for Russian-Greek relations. There is reason to make them real restart, to give new impetus to the relations which have very deep roots in history, which is reflected in the joint struggle of the peoples. Russia and Greece are the state with a long history, common values and religion, thus they can make a strategic partnership, the main "pillars" which can serve as international trade and recreational and tourism cooperation. It should be noted that the prospect of such cooperation depends on the political choice of the new government of Greece, which is able to provide a stable cooperation with the Russian Federation, abandoning the development of the European vector of its foreign policy.

Summing up, it should be noted that in the relations of Greece and Russia must be based on realistic scenarios for the development of their cooperation as the unstable situation in the country, the dictates of the EU and the West, the impossibility of paying the debt are a heavy burden for the state, which needed a reliable assistant, which could be Russia. Further development and political choice Greece depend on a deliberate policy of the party SYRIZA to stabilize the economic situation of the country.