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**ATHANASIOS S. ROUSOPOULOS (1823–1898) AND (HIS)
GREEK ANTIQUITIES**

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In the attempt to retrace the emergence of archaeological museums and antiquities displays in 19th-century Athens, one can quickly discern private collectors as a significant factor. Still, apart from acknowledging the fact that large quantities of archaeological artifacts were kept as personal items, their biographies are rarely studied in detail. As an approach for encountering this private level of antiquities management, this lecture will portray one protagonist: Athanasios S. Rousopoulos. Aspects of his academic career, of his role as a collector and salesman of antiquities, and of his private life will be approximated by analyzing archival sources from Athens and Vienna.

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