

# **EU ARAB WORLD SUMMIT**Towards a solid alliance

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# Thursday, November 9, 2017

08.00	Arrival	of	Guests -	Registration
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#### 09.00 Introductions - Chairs

**Tawfic Khoury**, Chairman of Al-Iktissad Wal-Aamal Group **Symeon Tsomokos**, President, Delphi Economic Forum

#### 09.10 Opening Addresses:

- H.E. Alexis Tsipras, Prime Minister of the Hellenic Republic
- H.E. Nikos Anastasiades, President of the Republic of Cyprus
- H.E. Dr. Joseph Muscat, Prime Minister of Malta
- H.E. Maros Sefcovic, Vice President, Energy Union, European Commission
- H.E. Tarek Kabil, Minister of Trade and Industry of Egypt, Representative of H.E. the President of Egypt
- H.E. Eng. Sultan bin Saeed Al Mansouri, Minister of Economy of the United Arab Emirates
- H.E. Muhannad Shehadeh, Minister of State for Investment Affairs of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
- H.E. George Katrougalos, Alternate Minister of Foreign Affairs, Hellenic Republic
- H.E. Soltan bin Saad Al-Muraikhi, State Minister for Foreign Affairs, Qatar
- H.E. Dr. Nabeel Shaath, Representative of the President of Palestine, H.E. Mahmoud Abbas
- H.E. Khadim Mohammed Jawad Hassan Al-Hassani, Economic Counselor to the Prime Minister of Iraq
- H.E. Kamal Hasan Ali, Assistant Secretary General for economic Affairs, Arab League
- H.E. Senator Nael Al Kabariti, President, Union of Arab Chambers

#### 12.00 Coffee break

# 12.30 Session 1 | EU Arab Relations - Challenges of the future: Foreign Policy, Political and Security dimensions

Chair: Christos Folias, f. Minister of Development, CEO 'Folias and Associates'

Miguel Angel Moratinos, f. Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation (2004-2010), Spain Nancy Okail, Ph.D., Executive Director, The Tahrir Institute for Middle East Policy Hafida Benchehida, Senator of the Republic of Algeria Abdulaziz Al-Mikhlafi, Secretary General, Ghorfa Arab-German Chamber of Commerce and Industry

#### 13.45 Break - Light Lunch



## 14.30 Session 2 | Europe & the Arab World

Chair: Chris Konstas, Journalist

Dimitris Papadimitriou, Minister of Economy and Development

#### Part 1

**Dr. Claire Spencer**, Senior Research Fellow, Middle East/North Africa Program, Chatham House **Ines Ayala Sender**, Chair, Delegation, Relations with Maghreb countries, MEP **Philipp Simon Andree**, Director North Africa and Middle East, Association of German Chambers **Mattia Toaldo**, Policy Fellow, European Council on Foreign Relations

#### Part 2

**Dr. Abdullah Al Kuwaiz**, Saudi Economist **Saida Neghza**, President, General Confederation of Algerian Enterprises (CGEA) **Athanasios Savvakis**, President, Federation of Industries of Northern Greece **Ioannis Foteinos**, CEO, Salfo and Associates S.A.

# 16.15 Session 3 | Cooperation in the Energy Sector

Chair: Dr. Theodoros Tsakiris, Assist. Professor, Geopolitics & Hydrocarbons, University of Nicosia

**George Stathakis,** Minister of Environment & Energy of the Hellenic Republic **Dominique Ristori,** Director General for Energy, European Commission

Theodore Kitsakos, CEO, Public Gas Corporation, Greece Manolis Markakis, Senior Director, Oil Supply & Operations, Hellenic Petroleum Dr. Carole Nakhle, CEO, Crystol Energy, Scholar Carnegie Middle East Centre Ian Walker, Managing Director, MEC Middle East Consultants Prof. Dr. Margarita Mathiopoulos, Founder/CEO ASPIDE Energy Group, Germany

# 17.45 Session 4 | The Development of Investments - Finance & Investments

Chair: Stamatis Zacharos, Publishing Consultant, 24MEDIA

#### Part 1

Mona Zobaa, Chair of General Authority for Investment and Free Zones, Egypt Janet Heckman, Managing Director, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development Marwan Abdelhamid, President, Palestinian Greek Friendship & Cooperation Association

#### Part 2

Nicholas Jennett, European Investment Bank, Athens Representation Mario Al-Jebouri, Banque Cantonale de Geneve, International Private Banking, Dubai Manolis Sigalas, VP & Country Manager, Hill International Marios Skandalis, President of the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Cyprus

19.00 Networking - Cocktail Dinatoire - End of first day



# Friday, November 10, 2017

# 08.45 Arrival of Delegates

#### 09.30 Welcome:

Symeon Tsomokos, President, Delphi Economic Forum

Chair: Christos Folias, f. Minister of Development, CEO 'Folias and Associates'

Official opening and keynote speech:

Dimitris Avramopoulos, EU Commissioner for Migration, Home Affairs & Citizenship

Keynote speech:

Chrystalla Georghadji, Governor, Central Bank of Cyprus

Keynote speech:

Yannis Stournaras, Governor, Bank of Greece

Statement:

George Koumoutsakos, Representative of the Leader of New Democracy Opposition Party

#### 10.30 Signing: Memorandum of Understanding

#### 10.40 Session 5 | Greece: a multi-level crossroad - Greece and the Arab World

Chairs: Faysal Abou Zaki, Deputy CEO of Al-Iktissad Wal-Aamal Group Symeon Tsomokos, President, Delphi Economic Forum

Lead speeches:

Christos Spirtzis, Minister of Infrastructure, Transport and Networks, Hellenic Republic

**Constantine Michalos**, President, Athens Chamber of Commerce and Industry **Petros Doukas**, Chairman, Capital Partners S.A.

Rashad Mabger, Secretary General, Arab Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

Socrates Lazaridis, CEO, Athens Exchange Group

Panagiotis Mihalos, Chairman Business Councils GCC Countries, CEO Orion Capital / Southeast S.A.

Konstantinos Bitsios, Executive Vice Chairman, SEV Hellenic Federation of Enterprises

Charalampos Papaspyros, Vice President of BoD, Hellenic Aerospace Industry

George Tsipras, Head of the Economic Office of the Prime Minister of the Hellenic Republic

# 12.15 Break - Light Lunch



# 13.15 Session 6 | Economic alliance, looking for the full potential: Infrastructure, Tourism, Trade, Real Estate

Chair: Alexia Tasouli, Journalist

Elena Kountoura, Minister of Tourism, Hellenic Republic

#### Part 1

Hisham Ayoub, Foreign Investors Association, Vice President, Bahrain Mario Lopez-Roldan, Technical Secretary, OECD Greece, Joint Steering Committee

#### Part 2

Vincent Reina, President, Arab-French Chamber of Commerce Lady Olga Maitland, Chair, The Algeria British Business Council/British-Algerian Chamber Athina Spakouri, Deputy Head, Directorate-General of Promotion/Head Directorate of Administration, GNTO

### 14.45 **Session 7 | Shipping**

Chair: Christos Konstas, Journalist

Panagiotis Kouroumblis, Minister of Shipping, Maritime Affairs & Island Policy, Hellenic Republic

**Dr. Stratos Papadimitriou**, Adviser to Captain P.N. Tsakos, founder of the Tsakos Group of Companies **Camille Egloff**, Partner & Managing Director, The Boston Consulting Group **Khamis Juma Buamim**, MoB of Directors, Managing Director, Gulf Navigation Holding PJSC

# 15.45 Session 8 | Prospects and Patterns: Next steps for a revitalized relationship between Europe & the Arab World

Chair: Dr. Amal Daraghmeh Masri, Editor in Chief, Middle East Business News & Magazine, Ougarit Group

Rodi Kratsa, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President European Parliament (2007-2012)
Prof. Abdelhak Azzouzi, President, Centre Marocain Interdisciplinaire, Etudes Strategiques/Intl.
George Kyrtsos, Member of European Parliament
Ania Thiemann, Manager, Global Relations & Competition Assessment, OECD

# 16.45 Session 9 | Intercultural communication & Education

Chair: Prof. Dr. Christian Werner, President of the International University Network IUN world

Prof. Dr. Franz-Michael Binninger, President, University of Health, Sport, Arts & Technology Thor Clausen, Managing Director, Mentor Education Consulting Prof. Stefanos Gritzalis, Rector, Dep. of Information & Communication, University of the Aegean Dr. Frances Tsakonas, International Society of Change Leaders, President, Int. Students Network Global

# 17.30 Conclusions - Cocktail Dinatoire - End of Summit