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Programme

Monday, October 9th 2017

09:00 Registration-welcome coffee

09:30 Welcome remarks by the conference chairpersons:

John Andrews, consultant editor, *The Economist*

Joan Hoey, senior analyst & regional director, Europe, The Economist Intelligence Unit

Spyros Kouvelis, president, Greek Eurasian Business Council

09:45 Official opening:

Prokopis Pavlopoulos, president of the Hellenic Republic

10:00 ENHANCING COLLABORATION WITH EURASIA AND CHINA: LOOKING INTO THE FUTURE

Roman Vassilenko, deputy minister of foreign affairs of Kazakhstan

***Daniel Rosenblum**, deputy assistant secretary for Central Asia, U.S. Department of State

Boris Tadic, former president of Serbia

Jiazhong Lu, founding chairman, Silk Road Chamber of International Commerce (SRCIC)

Sergey Sidorskiy, member of the board, minister in charge of industry and agriculture, Eurasian Economic Commission

Georgios Katrougkalos, alternate minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Greece

Zviad Kvatchantiradze, MP, chairman, Committee on Diaspora and Caucasus Issues, Georgia

10:55 Discussion

11:15 Coffee break

11:45 SETTING THE GEOPOLITICAL STAGE:

• Are we witnessing a new geopolitical era?

• EU, Eurasian region and China: Strengthening ties

• What lies in store for Europe?

Vladimir Chizhov, permanent representative of the Russian Federation to the EU

Jemal Inaishvili, president, Confederation of Asia Pacific Chambers of Commerce & Industry, honorary chairman, Silk Road Chamber of International Commerce (SRCIC)

*** Nodari Simoniya**, academician, Russian Academy of Sciences, director, Institute of World Economy and International Relations (IMEMO) of the Russian Academy of Sciences

Mujtaba Rahman, managing director, Eurozone, Greece, UK, Eurasia Group

Laza Kekic, independent consultant, fmr regional director for Europe & director for country forecasting services, Economist Intelligence Unit

Commentator:

Spyros Flogaitis, director & president of the board of directors, European Public Law Organization (EPLO)

12:15 Discussion

12:35 THE MIGRANT CRISIS: WAVE AFTER WAVE

• Current security and terrorism challenges

Keynote address:

Dimitrios Avramopoulos, commissioner for migration, home affairs and citizenship, European Commission

12:45 Discussion

13:00 Luncheon to be hosted by Silk Road Chamber of International Commerce (SRCIC)

14:30 EXPLORING NEW OPPORTUNITIES FOR BUSINESS INVESTMENT: THE INDUSTRY RESPONDS

Stergios Pitsiorlas, deputy minister, Ministry of Economy and Development, Greece

Elena Kountoura, minister of tourism, Greece

In dialogue with:

Kadir Baikenov, chairman of the board of the Confederation of employers (entrepreneurs), Republic of Kazakhstan, president LLP "Investconsulting Company", former minister of energy and fuel resources

Arsen Ghazaryan, president, Union of Manufacturers and Businessmen of Armenia

Nonna Kagramanyan, vice-president for International Affairs, All Russia Public Organization "Delovaya Rossiya"

Konstantin Goncharov, head, Russian-Greek Council for Co-operation and Investments, member of the board of management, Russian Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs, general director, Novotrans

Spyros Kouvelis, president, Greek Eurasian Business Council

Moving forward: Attracting global citizens through investment migration programmes

Juerg Steffen, chief operating officer, Henley & Partners

15:25 Discussion

15:45 THE SIGNIFICANT CONTRIBUTION OF FINANCING LARGE SCALE PROJECTS

• Opportunities to boost business from east to west

• 25 years of EU and WB financed projects in the Eurasian Region: Challenges and future prospects

Natasha Khanjenkova, managing director for central Asia and Russia, EBRD

Dimitrios Bakolas, president, Hellenic-Russian Chamber of Commerce

***Michael Christides**, ambassador, secretary general, permanent international secretariat, Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization, Turkey

16:05 Discussion

16:25 KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Guest of honour and keynote speaker:

* **Kyriakos Mitsotakis**, leader of the main opposition and president of New Democracy party

17:00 End of day's sessions

17:30 B2B meetings to be organised by Enterprise Greece and the Bi-lateral Chambers of Commerce

19:00 Road Show to be hosted by Silk Road Chamber of International Commerce (SRCIC)

20:30 OFFICIAL GALA DINNER

Guest of honour and keynote speaker:

* **Sergey Lavrov**, minister of foreign affairs, Russian Federation

Tuesday, October 10th 2017

09:30	Registration-welcome coffee
10:00	ENERGY SECTOR: ILLUMINATING THE PATH TO COOPERATION <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supply of energy in the region: exploring the possibilities and tackling the challenges • Oil & Gas, pipelines update • ITGI-TAP-IGB-TURKISH STREAM <p>George Stathakis, minister of environment and energy, Greece *Pavel Oderov, head of department, Gazprom, Russia Paolo Scaroni, deputy chairman, Rothschild Group, former CEO, ENI Konstantin Simonov, founder and director general, National Energy Security Fund, Russia *Ruggero Corias, head of international relations, SNAM, Italy</p>
10:40	Discussion
11:00	CONNECTING REGIONS THROUGH ELECTRICITY GRIDS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Kristian Ruby, secretary-general, Union of the Electricity Industry-EURELECTRIC * Nikos Vassilakos, former president, Greek Regulatory Authority of Energy (RAE), former president, EREF, member, EREF's Scientific Advisory Board
11:15	Discussion
11:30	Coffee break
12:00	CONNECTING EAST AND WEST THROUGH INFRASTRUCTURE, TRANSPORTATION AND NETWORKS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviving the Silk Road: Exploring Beijing's One Belt-One Road initiative • Europe: Enhancing the transportation and networks' puzzle <p>Nikos Pappas, minister of digital policy, media and telecommunications, Greece * Alexis Chariftsis, alternate minister of economy & development, Greece</p> <p>In dialogue with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Elias Athanasiou, CEO, Enterprise Greece * Fu Chengqiu, CEO, Piraeus Port Authority, managing director, COSCO Shipping, China Zurab Gumberidze, ambassador, senior expert of the South Caucasus transport corridor, Georgia * Muratbayev Askar, general director, chairman of the board, Airport Management Group, Kazakhstan Jean-Guy Carrier, executive chairman, Silk Road Chamber of International Commerce (SRCIC), China Valech Aleskerov, chairman, FTZ special economic area next to the Alat seaport, ex-vice speaker of the Azerbaijan Parliament, ex. general director, SOCAR, Azerbaijan Nicolas A. Vernicos, president, International Chamber of Commerce, vice chair, Silk Road Chamber of International Commerce (SRCIC)
13:00	Discussion
13:30	Networking Luncheon
14:30	End of conference
14:30	B2B meetings to be organised by Enterprise Greece and the Bi-lateral Chambers of Commerce
18:00	Road Show to be hosted by Silk Road Chamber of International Commerce (SRCIC)

* Awaiting confirmation

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