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Programme

Monday, October 9th 2017

09:00	Registration-welcome coffee
09:30	<p>Welcome remarks by the conference chairpersons: John Andrews, consultant editor, <i>The Economist</i> Joan Hoey, senior analyst & regional director, Europe, The Economist Intelligence Unit Spyros Kouvelis, president, Greek Eurasian Business Council</p>
09:45	<p>Official opening: Prokopis Pavlopoulos, president of the Hellenic Republic</p>
10:00	<p>ENHANCING COLLABORATION WITH EURASIA AND CHINA: LOOKING INTO THE FUTURE</p> <p>Roman Vassilenko, deputy minister of foreign affairs of Kazakhstan *Daniel Rosenblum, deputy assistant secretary for Central Asia, U.S. Department of State 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 * Alexis Charitsis, alternate minister of economy & development, Greece Zviad Kvatchantiradze, MP, chairman, Committee on Diaspora and Caucasus Issues, Georgia</p>
10:55	Discussion
11:15	Coffee break
11:45	<p>SETTING THE GEOPOLITICAL STAGE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Are we witnessing a new geopolitical era? • EU, Eurasian region and China: Strengthening ties • What lies in store for Europe? <p>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) 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</p> <p>Commentator: Spyros Flogaitis, director & president of the board of directors, European Public Law Organization (EPLO)</p>
12:15	Discussion
12:35	<p>THE MIGRANT CRISIS: WAVE AFTER WAVE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Current security and terrorism challenges <p>Keynote address: Dimitrios Avramopoulos, commissioner for migration, home affairs and citizenship, European Commission</p>
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:

Kadyr 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"

Vasilis Apostolopoulos, president, Hellenic Entrepreneurs Association (EENE)

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

16:00 CONNECTING REGIONS THROUGH ELECTRICITY GRIDS

Emmanuel Panagiotakis, chairman & CEO, Greek Public Power Corporation

* **Hu Yuhai**, president and CEO, State Grid International Development, deputy CEO, ADMIE

16:15 Discussion

16:30 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
- The significance of the One Belt – One Road initiative in building bridges from east to west

Louka Katseli, former minister for labor and social security of the Hellenic Republic, ex chair of the board of directors, National Bank of Greece

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

• The business perspective

Hao Guoqi, director, Working Committee on Land Bridge Transport of China International Freight Association

17:00 Discussion

17:20 End of day's sessions
20:30 DINNER

B2B meetings organised by **Enterprise Greece** and the **Bi-lateral Chambers of Commerce** and **Road Show** to be hosted by **Silk Road Chamber of International Commerce (SRCIC)** will be open throughout the two-day event.

Tuesday, October 10th 2017

09:30	Registration-welcome coffee
10:00	<p>ENERGY SECTOR: ILLUMINATING THE PATH TO COOPERATION</p> <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 Konstantinos Skrekas, MP, head of energy, environment & climate change sector, New Democracy party, former minister of development and competitiveness, Greece Paolo Scaroni, deputy chairman, Rothschild Group, former CEO, ENI Konstantin Simonov, founder and director general, National Energy Security Fund, Russia</p> <p>Commentator: Antonis Metaxas, managing partner, Metaxas & Associates law firm</p>
10:40	Discussion
11:00	Coffee break
11:30	<p>CONNECTING EAST AND WEST THROUGH INFRASTRUCTURE, TRANSPORTATION AND NETWORKS</p> <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, telecommunications and media, Greece</p> <p>In dialogue with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Elias Athanasiou, CEO, Enterprise Greece 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 Oleg Dunaev, chairman, Russian Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs (RSPP), committee on international cooperation, subcommittee on transport and logistics, Russia Nicolas A. Vernicos, president, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC-Hellas), vice chair, Silk Road Chamber of International Commerce (SRCIC), China <p>Commentator: Thomas Lamnidis, partner & vice-president, KLC Law Firm</p>
12:40	Discussion
13:00	Networking Luncheon
14:00	End of conference

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