

Day 1
Friday September 22, 2023

11.30 Arrival of guests - registration

12.00 Welcome Address

- ✓ **Lefteris Varouxis**, President, Olympia Forum
- ✓ **Yannis Thomatos**, Vice President, Delphi Economic Forum
- ✓ **Nektarios Farmakis**, Governor of Western Greece
- ✓ **Isidoros Kouvelos**, President, International Olympic Academy

12.20 Entrepreneurship in the Region of Western Greece

Nikitas Konstantellos, ICAP group of companies, President and CEO
Stathis Papachristopoulos, Supervisor, Regional Development Fund, Region of Western Greece
Fotis Kourmousis, Executive Member of the BoD, Hellenic Financial Stability Fund
Antonis Klapsis, Assistant Professor, University of Peloponnese

Moderator: **Marianna Mitropoulou**, Journalist, patrisnews.com

**13.00 Enhancing connectivity for shared prosperity:
Transport Infrastructure, broadband access & regional growth**

- ✓ **Athanasios Kottaras**, CEO, STASY
- ✓ **Panagiotis Papanikolas**, CEO, Olympia Odos

- ✓ *Moderator:* **Giorgos Mikelopoulos**, Journalist, Patris newspaper

13.40 In Conversation: Transition to climate neutrality: Financial tools, fairness challenges & regional development implications

- ✓ **Theodoros Skylakakis**, Minister of Environment and Energy

- ✓ *Moderator:* **Marina Protonotariou**, Journalist, Mononews

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14.00 Rethinking the role of tourism in regional prosperity: Implementing ecologically sustainable & social inclusive policies

- ✓ **Nikolaos Korovesis**, Deputy Governor for Tourism, Region of Western Greece
- ✓ **Alexandros Thanos**, Executive Director, SETE
- ✓ **Konstantinos Marinakos**, Professor, University of West Attica, President of Peloponnese Tourism Organization
- ✓ **Sotiris Varelas**, Professor of Tourism Studies, University of Piraeus

- ✓ *Moderator: Kostas Gkelntis*, Journalist, ORT TV

14.50 Fireside Chat

- ✓ **Dimitris Avramopoulos**, EU Commissioner (2014-2019); Member of the Hellenic Parliament

- ✓ *Moderator: Katerina Tsamouri*, Diplomatic Correspondent & Anchorwoman STAR CHANNEL/Apogevmatini

15.10 Networking break

15.40 Implementation process of the reconstruction of Ilia with a focus on Ancient Olympia

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- ✓ **Christos Triantopoulos**, Deputy Minister for Climate Crisis & Civil Protection, Hellenic Republic
- ✓ **Nektarios Farmakis**, Governor, Region of Western Greece
- ✓ **Myron Flouris**, Secretary General, Ministry of Tourism
- ✓ **Dionysis Nikolaou**, General Manager, diaNEOsis
- ✓ **Dimitris Skalkos**, Secretary General for Public Investments and Partnership Agreement

- ✓ *Moderator: Fay Makantasi*, Research Director, diaNEOsis

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16.40 Energy and climate crisis: facing the regional challenges

- √ **Alexandra Sdoukou**, Deputy Minister of Energy
- √ **Grigorios Konstantellos**, Mayor of Vari-Voula-Vouliagmeni
- √ **Dionysis Panagiotaras**, Assistant Professor, Environment Department, Ionian University
- √ **Dimitris Papanikolaou**, Assistant Professor, Geology and Geoenvironment, U.O.A.

- √ *Moderator: Marina Protonotariou*, Journalist, Mononews

17.20 Governance of the reconstruction of Ilia with a focus on Ancient Olympia

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- √ **Vasilis Giannopoulos**, Deputy Governor, Region of Western Greece
- √ **Georgios Georgiopoulos**, Mayor of Ancient Olympia
- √ **Konstantinos Nikoloutsos**, President, Ilia Chamber of Commerce
- √ **George Galanos**, Associate Professor Economic Policy and Competitiveness, University of Piraeus

- √ *Moderator: Fay Makantasi*, Research Director, diaNEOsis

18.20 RRF and NSRF 2021-2027 as tools for local and regional development: Is Greece up to the challenge?

- √ **Orestis Kavalakis**, Governor, Greek Recovery and Resilience Agency
- √ **Eleni Marianou**, Secretary General, Conference of Peripheral Maritime Regions
- √ **Andreas Koutoupis**, Professor of Financial Accounting & Risk Based Auditing, University of Thessaly

- √ *Moderator: Christos Konstas*, Financial editor, Banks/Xrima/New Money

19.00 End of Day 1

20.00 Dinner (by invitation only)

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12.30 In Conversation: 2023 Elections | Municipality of Andritsena - Krestena

- ✓ **Dionysios Balioukos**, Mayor of Andritsena - Krestena
- ✓ **Takis Dimitroulopoulos**, Candidate for Mayor, Municipality of Andritsena - Krestena
- ✓ *Moderator: Nadia Maniati*, Journalist, Patris newspaper

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Day 2
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09.30 Arrival of guests - registration

10.15 Opening Remarks

10.20 The role of EU Cities and Regions for the Country's Geopolitical Challenges

- ✓ **Elena Kountoura**, Member, European Parliament
- ✓ **Andreas Katsaniotis**, Deputy Minister of Hellenism Abroad (2021–2023)
- ✓ **Michalis Katrinis**, Parliamentary Representative, PA.SO.K-KIN.AL; MP for Ilia

- ✓ *Moderator:* **Leonidas Antonakopoulos**, Former Head of the Office of the European Parliament in Greece

11.00 Cohesion policy investments in the Region for a sustainable health care system

Statement:

- ✓ **Marios Themistokleous**, Deputy Minister of Health

Discussants:

- ✓ **Ioannis Karvelis**, Administrator, 6th Health Region, Patras General Hospital
- ✓ **Spyros Politis**, Administrator, Pyrgos General Hospital

- ✓ *Moderator:* **Alexia Svolou**, Health Editor, Lifo

11.50 Circular economy: Can local governments become a driver for a necessary paradigm shift?

- ✓ **Manolis Grafakos**, Secretary General for Waste Management, Ministry of Environment and Energy
- ✓ **Spyros Kopolas**, Vice Chairman, Federation of Recycling & Energy Recovery Industries & Enterprises (SEPAN)
- ✓ **Stavros Kontogeorgakis**, Circular Economy Director, V Group

- ✓ *Moderator:* **Giouli Iliopoulou**, Journalist, Patris newspaper

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12.30 Investing in local entrepreneurship ecosystems: New funding opportunities to encourage innovation

- ✓ **Athanasios Kyriazis**, Secretary General for Research & Innovation, Ministry of Development
- ✓ **Konstantinos Kollias**, President, Economic Chamber of Greece

- ✓ *Moderator: Sotiris Polyzos*, Journalist, TRT

13.10 **Networking break**

13.50 Prospects and challenges of agricultural economy and industry: Innovation, networking, digitalization

- ✓ **Lefteris Avgenakis**, Minister of Rural Development and Food
- ✓ **Theodore Vasilopoulos**, Deputy Governor, Region of Western Greece
- ✓ **Andreas Nikolakopoulos**, Member of Parliament, Nea Dimokratia
- ✓ **Andreas Marinos**, Mayor of Pineios

- ✓ *Moderator: Sotiris Polyzos*, Journalist, TRT

14.30 Fireside Chat

- ✓ **Dimitris Ptochos**, Candidate for Regional Governor of Peloponnese

- ✓ *Moderator: Themis Kanellopoulos*, Journalist, Best TV

14.50 Opportunities and Threats of AI Technology in the Public and Private Sectors

Dimosthenis Anagnostopoulos, Secretary General for Information systems & Digital Governance
Vasilis Vasiliades, Professor, University of Patras

- ✓ *Moderator: Marianna Mitropoulou*, Journalist, patrisnews.com

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15.10 Long-term visions and strategies for local and regional development:
What's at stake in the 2023 elections

Michael Stavrianoudakis, Secretary General, Ministry of Interior

- ✓ **Dimitris Nikolakopoulos**, Deputy Governor of Sports, Volunteering & Olympism, Region of Western Greece
- ✓ **Dimitris Mantzos**, Parliamentary Representative, PA.SO.K-KIN.AL
- ✓ **Dionysis Kalamatianos**, Member of Parliament, SYRIZA

✓ *Moderator:* **Kostas Krietsiotis**, Journalist, ORT TV

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10.30 In Conversation: 2023 Elections | Municipality of Ancient Olympia

- ✓ **Georgios Georgiopoulos**, Mayor of Ancient Olympia
- ✓ **Aris Panagiotopoulos**, Candidate for Mayor, Municipality of Ancient Olympia

- ✓ *Moderator:* **Nadia Maniati**, Journalist, Patris newspaper

11.30 In Conversation: 2023 Elections | Municipality of Zacharo

- ✓ **Konstantinos Alexandropoulos**, Mayor of Zacharo
- ✓ **Konstantinos Mitropoulos**, Candidate for Mayor, Municipality of Zacharo
- ✓ **Anastasios Kapos**, Candidate for Mayor, Municipality of Zacharo

- ✓ *Moderators:* **Giorgos Mikelopoulos**, Journalist, Patris newspaper & **Marianna Mitropoulou**, Journalist, Patris news

12.10 In Conversation: 2023 Elections | Municipality of Andravida - Kyllini

- ✓ **Ioannis Lentzas**, Mayor, Andravida - Kyllini
- ✓ **Vassilis Tsirikos**, Candidate for Mayor, Municipality of Andravida-Kyllini

- ✓ *Moderator:* **Nadia Maniati**, Journalist, Patris newspaper

12.40 In Conversation: 2023 Elections | Municipality of Pineios

- ✓ **Andreas Marinos**, Mayor, Municipality of Pineios
- ✓ **Alexis Kastrinos**, Candidate for Mayor, Municipality of Pineios

- ✓ *Moderators:* **Christos Plevrias**, Journalist, Patris newspaper & **Kostas Krietsiotis**, Journalist, ORT TV

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14.15 In Conversation: 2023 Elections | Municipality of Ilida

- ✓ **Ioannis Lymperis**, Mayor of Ilida
- ✓ **Christos Christodouloupoulos**, Candidate for Mayor, Municipality of Ilida
- ✓ **Dimitris Konstantopoulos**, Candidate for Mayor, Municipality of Ilida

- ✓ *Moderators:* **Christos Plevrias**, Journalist, Patris newspaper & **Kostas Krietsiotis**, Journalist, ORT TV

15.10 In Conversation: 2023 Elections | Municipality of Pyrgos

- ✓ **Panagiotis Antonakopoulos**, Mayor of Pyrgos
- ✓ **Dionysios Beltsos**, Candidate for Mayor, Municipality of Pyrgos
- ✓ **Efstathios Kannis**, Candidate for Mayor, Municipality of Ilida
- ✓ **Spyros Liatsis**, Candidate for Mayor, Municipality of Ilida

- ✓ *Moderators:* **George Mikelopoulos**, Journalist, Patris newspaper **Christos Plevrias**, Journalist, Patris newspaper

16.00 End of Day 2

**Day 3
Sunday September 24, 2023**

11.00 Opening Remarks

11.20 Linking local to global: How vocational education & training can generate growth and opportunities

- ✓ **Zetta Makri**, Deputy Minister of Education, Religious Affairs & Sports
- ✓ **Georgios Georgiopoulos**, Mayor of Ancient Olympia
- ✓ **Christos Bouras**, Rector, University of Patras
- ✓ **Apostolos Vourkoudis**, Director Vocational High School, American Farm School
- ✓ **Ioannis Kalavrouziotis**, President, Hellenic Open University

- ✓ *Moderator: **Elpida Oikonomidi**, Journalist, Eleftheros Typos*

12.10 Fireside Chat

- ✓ **Christos Staikouras**, Minister of Infrastructure & Transport
- ✓ *Moderator: **Nikos Karagiannis**, Journalist, ypodomes.com*

12.30 Closing remarks

12.40 End of Olympia Forum IV