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DRAFT AGENDA

Monday, October 29, 2018

08:30 Arrival of Guests – Registration

09:15 Welcome remarks:

√**Tawfic Khoury**, Chairman, Al-Iktissad Wal-Aamal Group
√**Symeon Tsomokos**, President, Delphi Economic Forum
√**Raouf Abou Zaki**, CEO, Al-Iktissad Wal-Aamal Group

09:30 Opening Addresses:

√**Alexis Tsipras**, Prime Minister of the Hellenic Republic
√**Nicos Anastasiades**, President of the Republic of Cyprus
√**Boyko Borissov**, Prime Minister of the Republic of Bulgaria
√**Dr. Nabil Abu Rudeineh**, Deputy Prime Minister of the State of Palestine, Minister of Information
√**Lahcen Daoudi**, Minister Delegate to the Head of Government, Kingdom of Morocco
√**Karin Kneissl**, Federal Minister for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs of Austria,
Austrian Presidency of the Council of the European Union
√**Nebojša Stefanović**, Vice-President and Minister of the Interior, Republic of Serbia
√**Dimitris Avramopoulos**, EU Commissioner for Migration, Home Affairs & Citizenship
√**Teodor Melescanu**, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Romania
√**Amr Nassar**, Minister of Trade and Industry, Egypt
√**Carmelo Abela**, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade Promotion, Malta
√**George Katrougkalos**, Alternate Minister for Foreign Affairs, Hellenic Republic
√**Soltan bin Saad Al-Muraikhi**, State Minister for Foreign Affairs, Qatar
√**Elena Kountoura**, Minister of Tourism, Hellenic Republic
√**Abdelrahman Bin Ahmad Alharbi**, Undersecretary for Foreign Trade, Ministry of Trade & Investment, Saudi Arabia
√**Dara Hassan Reshid**, Deputy Minister of Construction, Housing, & General Municipalities, Iraq
√**Dr. Kamal Hassan Ali**, Assistant of the Secretary General, Arab League
√**Mohamed Abdo Saeed**, Chairman, Union of Arab Chambers

12:30 Networking break

13:00 **Europe and the Arab World in a Challenging Global Environment**

√**George Papandreou**, Prime Minister of the Hellenic Republic (2009-2011), President of Socialist International



13:15 **European and Arab Neighborhood Policies in the Mediterranean, Africa and the Middle East**

- Foreign and Security Policies in the Mediterranean, Africa and the Middle East
- The Past and the Future Horizons of Arab-European Relations
- Making Multilateralism Work in the Euro-Arab Region
- Power Dynamics and Strategic Relations between the Arab World and Europe

Chair: **VFaysal Abou Zaki**, Deputy CEO, Al-Iktissad Wal-Aamal Group

VRamona Manescu, Vice Chair, Delegation for relations with the Mashreq countries, European Parliament
VDr. Mustafa Al Hitti, Reconstruction Fund for Areas Affected by Terroristic Operations, Republic of Iraq
VAli Haddad, President, Algerian Business Leaders Forum
VAhmed Badr, Ex. Director Egypt, Regional Center for Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency, (RCREEE)
VAngus Taverner, Consultant, Bussola Institute

14:00 Networking light buffet lunch

14:45 **Spearheading the Renewable Revolution: How the EBRD can help**

Chair: **V Stamatis Zacharos**, Journalist

VJanet Heckman, Managing Director, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development

15:00 **Investment Opportunities through Privatisations**

VRicardo Lambiris, CEO and Member of the BoD, Hellenic Republic Asset Development Fund

15:10 **Migration Policies in the Mediterranean, Africa and the Middle East**

- Migration Policies and Tackling of the Refugee Crisis in Europe, the Mediterranean Sea and Africa

Chair: **VAmal Daraghmeh Masri**, Editor in Chief, Middle East Business News and Magazine

VDimitris Kourkoulas, Deputy Foreign Minister (2012-2015), Hellenic Republic

VDr Nancy Okail, Executive Director, The Tahrir Institute for Middle East Policy, USA

15:40 **Institution Building and Social Movements**

Chair: **VMaria Nikoltsiou**, Journalist, Alpha TV

VSaida Neghza, President, General Confederation of Algerian Enterprises

VDr Laryssa Chomiak, Associate Fellow, Middle East and North Africa Programme, Chatham House

VKristian Brakel, Associate Fellow, MENA Program, German Council on Foreign Relations



16:15 **Saudi Arabia Vision 2030: A Gateway to a New Era of Prosperity**

- Overview of Saudi Arabia new economic strategy
- The National Transformation Plan: programs and initiatives
- Investment and partnership opportunities
- Mega Projects: Neom, Red Sea Project

√**Sami Abdullah Al Aibiti**, Chairman, Council of Saudi Chambers

√**Sebastian Sons**, Associate Fellow, MENA Program, German Council on Foreign Relations

√**Aref Boualwan**, Manager M.I.S. & Business Process Re-Engineering, CCC

16:45 **Cooperation with Arab States on Climate Change and Energy Transition**

Chair: √**Frank Wouters**, Director, EU GCC Clean Energy Technology Network

√**Gerassimos Thomas**, Deputy Director General, Energy, European Commission

√**Ahmed Ali Al-Ebrahim**, Chief Executive Officer, GCC Interconnection Authority, Saudi Arabia

√**Dinos Arcoumanis**, Chairman of Academic Board, Metropolitan College,
Ambassador of Greece for Energy Policy (2012-15)

√**Andreas A. Papandreou**, Professor of Environmental Economics, University of Athens

√**Paul van Son**, Chairman MENA & Turkey, RWE Innogy

18:00 **Energy Efficiency in the Region**

- Networks and Connectivity in the Euro-Arab Region
- Natural Gas in the South-Eastern Mediterranean and EU Energy Security

Chair: √**Maria Nikoltsiou**, Journalist, Alpha TV

√**Theodoros Tsakiris**, Ass. Professor Geopolitics & Hydrocarbons, University of Nicosia

√**Khamis Juma Buamim**, Board Member, MD & CEO, Gulf Navigation Holding PJSC

√**Gassan Anbar**, Chairman, GreenPower2020

√**Nektaria Karakatsani**, Member of the Board, Regulatory Authority for Energy (RAE)

√**Malek Azizeh**, Commercial Director, Fujairah Oil Terminal, UAE

19:00 End of Day I

21:00 Official dinner *(by invitation only)*

Tuesday, October 30, 2018

08:45 Arrival of delegates

09:30 Welcome address

✓**Symeon Tsomokos**, President, Delphi Economic Forum

09:35 Opening addresses:

✓**Kyriakos Mitsotakis**, Leader of the Opposition and President, New Democracy Party

✓**Margaritis Schinas**, Deputy DG Communication, European Commission

✓**Averof Neofytou**, President, Democratic Rally (DISY), Cyprus

10:45 **Greece and the Arab World: a Multi-level Cooperation**

Chair: ✓**Christos Folias**, fmr Minister of Development, CEO, Folias and Associates

Keynote address:

✓**Abdelrahman Bin Ahmad Alharbi**, Undersecretary for Foreign Trade, Ministry of Trade & Investment, Saudi Arabia

✓**Costas Douzinas**, Chairman, National Defence & Foreign Affairs Permanent Committee, Hellenic Parliament

✓**George Koumoutsakos**, MP, Shadow Minister of Foreign Affairs, New Democracy Party

✓**Dr. Khalid Hanafy**, Secretary General, General Union of Arab Chambers of Commerce

✓**Khadim Mohammed Jawad Hasan Al-Hasani**, Economic Counsellor to the Prime Minister, Iraq

✓**Constantinos Michalos**, President, Athens Chamber of Commerce and Industry

✓**Hisham Ayoub**, Vice President, Foreign Investors Association, Bahrain

✓**Konstantinos Bitsios**, Vice Chairman, Hellenic Federation of Enterprises

✓**Vasili Apostolopoulos**, CEO, Athens Medical Center

✓**Charalampos Papaspyros**, Vice President of BoD, Hellenic Aerospace Industry

✓**Khalid Benjelloun**, Vice-President, General Confederation of Enterprises of Morocco

12:00 Networking break



12:30 **Potential Role of Europe in Developing Digital Economy in the Arab Countries**

- Digital transformation visions in the Arab countries : e-Governance
- Investment opportunities in the digital economy in the Arab countries: Smart cities, Digital infrastructure, IoT, Smart Healthcare
- EU role in funding digital transformation projects and training
- Economic transformation and reforms in the region : e-commerce

Chair: **VTasos Zachos**, Editor in Chief, Fortune, Olive Media

Opening remarks:

Nikos Pappas, Minister of Digital Policy, Telecommunications and Media (**tbc**)

VPantelis Tzortzakis, f. Deputy Minister of e-Governance, founder of Forthnet

VByron Nicolaidis , Chairman & CEO, PeopleCert Group, President, CEPIS

VParis Drosinos, Executive Vice President, Singular Logic

VGrigoris Christopoulos, Chief Commercial Officer Business Segment, OTE GROUP

VDaniel Gradenegger, Initiator & co-founder, Annanow

VJonas Loetscher, Chief Product Officer, Procivis

VZuhair Haddad, CIO, Corporate Assets and Risk Management, CCC

13:45 Networking light buffet lunch

14:30 **Role of Transportation in Promoting Growth in Trade and Investment between EU and Arab Countries**

- Impact of the Euro-Arab partnership and collaboration in transportation on economic development, trade and investment
- Potential of linking and integrating road and railway networks
- Identifying key projects of integration in transportation
- Promoting PPP in transportation projects
- Strengthening shipping lines and ports integration between EU and Arab countries
- How can the EU and Arab countries create shipping hubs, and attract investment into ports and logistics

Chair & Speaker: **VDr. Ismail Abdel Ghafar Ismail Farag**, President, Arab Academy for Science, Technology & Maritime

V Dr. Mohamed Aboeldahab, PMO Director, General Authority for Suez Canal Economic Zone

VDipl.-Ing. Mouddar Khouja, Secretary General, Austro-Arab Chamber of Commerce (AACC)

VApostolos Zampelas, Senior Consultant, Global Shipping Expert, The Boston Consulting Group

VGeorge Tsavlis, Principal, Tsavlis Salvage Group



15:30 **Recent FDI trends in Europe and the Arab World**

- Growth and social investment policies
- Jobs, skills and youth employability
- Transport, shipping, construction, logistics
- Trade policies and cooperation
- Investment policies and finance: smart, green investments, circular economy

Chair: ✓**Petros Doukas**, fmr Deputy Minister, Hellenic Republic

✓**Rashad Mabger**, Secretary General, Arab-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce and Development

✓**Dr. Gehan Saleh**, Economic Advisor, Cabinet of the Prime Minister of Egypt

✓**George Kremlis**, EU Commission Honorary Director, In charge of Circular Economy on behalf of DGENV

✓**Lady Olga Maitland**, Algerian-British Chamber of Commerce and Industry Business Council

✓**Manolis Sigalas**, Vice President & Managing Director for Southern Europe, Hill International

17:15 Closing words

✓**Symeon Tsomokos**, President, Delphi Economic Forum

17:30 Farewell drinks