





# Press Release An International Summit On Greece in New York Featuring Top US Investors, Global Investment Banks & Institutions, the Greek Government

# 17º Annual Capital Link Invest in Greece Forum

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Extroversion and direct communication with the global financial, business and investment community are necessary in order to attract foreign investments and put the Greek economy back to a growth trajectory. In this context, for the 17<sup>th</sup> year in a row, the Capital Link's Invest in Greece Forum will take place in New York City on Monday December 14, 2015. The Forum takes place at an optimal time, after Greece achieved an initial agreement with the Institutions this summer and has just successfully concluded the bank recapitalization process.

Conferences organized in Greece address mainly a local audience that is usually aware of the domestic situation. As international investors are not based in Greece, presenting Greece as an investment destination must be done where investors reside and decisions are made. Although there are numerous investment Conferences organized in Greece, there are only a few organized abroad which raise awareness of Greece as an investment destination.

The Annual Capital Link Forum is the only high level International Forum focusing on Investing in Greece taking place in New York. It has 17-year track record of success gathering the elite of the financial and investment communities, as well business and government leaders from the United States and Greece.

The Forum is held every year irrespective of political changes and economic conditions in Greece and has been established as the main platform through which U.S. investors are informed of the current developments and outlook of the Greek economy and the investments and business opportunities. It provides the point of view of the government and the private sector, as well as of domestic and international investors.

This Forum is organized by Capital Link in cooperation with the New York Stock Exchange and with the support of major global banks, featuring this year:

- ► <u>H.E. Alexis Tsipras, Prime Minister of the Hellenic Republic</u> who will send the Government's message to the international investor Community via webcast;
- **Three Greek Government Ministers:**
- Hon. George Stathakis, Minister of Economy, Development & Tourism Will present via webcast the New Investment Landscape in Greece
- Hon. Dimitris Mardas, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs International Economic Relations & Investments Luncheon Keynote Speaker
- Hon. Elena Kountoura, Alternate Minister of Tourism Speaker on Tourism & Hospitality

## Seven global investment banks

Citi, Bank of America Merrill Lynch, BNP Paribas, Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank, Goldman Sachs, UBS Investment Bank, and the Greek Investment Bank Axia Ventures Group

- 4 Greek Systematic Banks:
- Alpha Bank Mr. Theodore Athanassopoulos, Head of Wholesale NLP Management
- National Bank of Greece Mr. Leonidas Fragiadakis, CEO
- Eurobank Ergasias SA Mr. Nicholas Karamouzis, Chairman & Emeritus Professor University of Piraeus,
- **Piraeus Bank Group -** Mr. Anthimos Thomopoulos, CEO
- Piraeus Bank Group Mr. Theophilos Constantinidis, Senior Advisor to the CEO, Special Situations Group -





• Hellenic Financial Stability Fund - Mr. Aris Xenofos, CEO

#### All European Institutions

- **Mr. Declan Costello,** Director European Commission, Directorate-General for Economic & Financial Affairs, Economies of the member States
- Mr. Nicola Giammarioli, Head of Strategy & Institutional Relations European Stability Mechanism
- Mr. Rasmus Rüffer, Head of Mission, Directorate General Economics, Monetary Policy Strategy Division European Central Bank
- Ms. Delia Velculescu, European Department, IMF Mission Chief for Greece International Monetary Fund
- Mr. Charles Dallara, Executive Vice Chairman Partners Group & former Chairman International Institute of Finance

#### **Top US investors including**

- Mr. John Calamos Sr., Chairman, CEO and Global Co-Chief Investment Officer Calamos Investments
- Mr. George Logothetis, Chairman & CEO The Libra Group
- Mr. John Alfred Paulson, President Paulson & Co.
- Mr. Wilbur Ross, President WL Ross & Co.
- Mr. William Vrattos, Partner & Portfolio Manager York Capital Management
- > Corporate CEOs from Greece and the United States

# > Representatives from Multinational Companies & from International Financial Institutions:

Aegean Airlines & Olympic Air, Aquis Hotels & Resorts, A.S. Papadimitriou & Partners Law Firm, Atlantic Bank, Axia Ventures Group, CarVal Investors, Grivalia Properties, PPC S.A, NBG Pangaea REIC, Energean S.A., EY, HP Inc., First Athens Corporate Finance SA, INTRALOT SA, International Finance Corporation, Libra Group, Investor Bank, Marathon Asset Management, McKinsey & Company Greece, New York Stock Exchange, ONEX, OTE Group, Reed Smith, Shearman & Sterling (London) LLP, The Libra Group, Watson Farley & Williams

# Global Shipping Companies:

Danaos Corporations (NYSE:DAC), Dorian Gas Ltd. (NYSE:LPG), Euroseas Ltd. (NASDAQ:ESEA), and Tsakos Energy Navigation (NYSE:TNP)

As in previous years, the Forum will provide delegates with unique networking opportunities through more than **150 one-to-one meetings with listed and unlisted companies**, as well as, with members of the Greek government delegation.

More than 1,000 delegates have currently signed up for the Forum.

## **FORUM AGENDA**

The conference will feature the developments and reforms in the Greek economy and the Greek government programme for the economy and investments. Also, the latest trends in the capital and stock markets with topics such as Government and Corporate Bonds, energy, infrastructure development, real estate, tourism, banks, non-performing loans management, and global shipping.

One of the most interesting topic will be the "International Investor Perspective" panel discussion with the participation of Top US investors.

#### SPONSORS

Citigroup and Tsakos Energy Navigation are Lead Sponsors of the Forum for seventh year in a row. Main Sponsors are: Bank of America Merrill Lynch, BNP Paribas, Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank, EY, Goldman Sachs, and UBS AG.







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Supporters are: Aegean Airlines & Olympic Air, Atlantic Bank, Energean S.A, First Athens Corporate Finance SA, Grivalia Properties, Investors Bank, NBG Pangaea REIC and ONEX

#### 2015 HELLENIC CAPITAL LINK LEADERSHIP AWARD

The "2015 Hellenic Capital Link Leadership Award" will be presented at the conclusion of the Capital Link's 17th Annual Greek Investor Forum. This year we are honoring Dr. Anthony Papadimitriou, President to the Board of Directors of Alexander S. Onassis Foundation & Managing Partner of A.S. Papadimitriou & Partners Law Firm for his contribution to promoting Greece and Hellenism and for his numerous educational, cultural and philanthropic initiatives globally and specifically for Greece The Award Ceremony will take place after an Official Dinner at the New York Yacht Club. Introductory Remarks will be made by Mr. Panos Papazoglou, Country Managing Partner Greece & CSE South Cluster Leader and the award presentation will be made by H.E. Ambassador C. Panagopoulos. Master of Ceremony will be Mr. Athanasios Ellis, Senior Editor and Columnist, Kathimerini.

#### Honored Guests & Brief Remarks by:

- Hon. Dimitris Mardas, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs International Economic Relations & Investments of the Hellenic Republic
- Hon. Elena Kountoura, Alternate Minister for Tourism, Hellenic Republic
- Dr. Anthony Papadimitriou, President to the Board of Directors of Alexander S. Onassis Foundation & Managing Partner of A.S. Papadimitriou & Partners Law Firm

#### The Dinner is sponsored by EY

# «GREEK DAY» AT NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

Within the context of the **17th Annual International Capital Link Invest in Greece Forum**, the New York Stock Exchange will organize in cooperation with Capital Link a special celebration of **"Greek Day at NYSE"**, on **Tuesday December 15, 2015**.

There will be an official reception in honor of the Greek Delegation, Greek companies listed on the New York Stock Exchange and companies participating in the Forum. Then Deputy Minister Dimitris Mardas, with Deputy Minister Elena Kountoura, and the executives of NYSE listed Greek companies, will ring "The Closing Bell", ending the trading session on Tuesday December 15, 2015. The event will be broadcast live on major news stations in the United States and abroad to an audience of millions of viewers worldwide.

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With its headquarters in **New York** and presence in **London**, **Athens** and **Oslo**, Capital Link has been active since **1995** in the field of Investor Relations and Financial Communication. It also organizes annually in New York, London and Athens a series of Investment Forums focusing on its main activity fields (<a href="www.capitallinkforum.com">www.capitallinkforum.com</a>).