







PRESS RELEASE

<u>DINNER AND DIALOGUE BETWEEN BUSINESS EXECUTIVES &</u> GOVERNMENT LEADERS OF GREECE, EUROPE AND THE UNITED STATES

At the 20th Annual «Capital Link Invest in Greece Forum»

New York, December 11, 2018

On Monday December 10, 2018, the "20th Annual Capital Link Invest in Greece Forum" concluded with an Official Dinner at the Yacht Club, presenting the "2018 Hellenic Capital Link Leadership Award" and Keynote Speaker Mr. Matthew Palmer, Deputy Assistant Secretary European and Eurasian Affairs U.S. Department of State.

In his remarks, **Mr. Nicolas Bornozis, President of Capital Link** expressed his appreciation for the participation in the Capital Link Forum of senior government officials from Greece, Europe and the United States, which reinforces Greece's message to the international investment community.

Hon. Haris Lalacos, Ambassador of Greece in the USA, presented the «2018 Hellenic Capital Link Leadership Award» to Mr. Evangelos G. Mytilineos, Chairman & CEO, MYTILINEOS, honoring him for his outstanding contribution to Greece.

The Capital Link Hellenic Leadership Award is presented annually to a person or an organization for outstanding contribution in fostering closer ties between Greece and the global business and investment community. Previous honorees were in 2012, Mr. Andrew N. Liveris, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of The Dow Chemical Company, in 2013, Mr. John Calamos, Chairman, CEO & Global Co-Chief Investment Officer of Calamos Investments, in 2014, Mr. George Logothetis, Chairman and CEO of Libra Group and in 2015, Dr. Anthony Papadimitriou, President to the Board of Directors of Alexander S. Onassis Foundation & Managing Partner of "A.S. Papadimitriou & Partners Law Firm, in 2016, Mr. Wilbur L. Ross, Chairman & Chief Strategy Officer of WL Ross & Co. and in 2017, Mr. Andre Calantzopoulos, CEO – Philip Morris International.

Mr. Nicolas Bornozis, President of Capital Link, mentioned: "MYTILINEOS, under the leadership of Mr. Evangelos Mytilineos, evolved in one of the most successful Greek business groups, with presence in many countries. At the same time, the Group has made big investments in Greece and has attracted major funds from international investors, contributing not only to the reinforcement of the Greek economy but also to the effective promotion of Greece as an investment and business destination." Mr. Bornozis also said that: "MYTILINEOS, under the leadership of Mr. Evangelos Mytilineos, staying united and working hard managed to build a strong company capable of competing in the international trade and carrying the Greek flag in dozens of countries around the world."









C. Dean Metropoulos, Chairman & CEO, Metropoulos & Company, introduced Mr. Evangelos Mytilineos.

Receiving this year's Hellenic Capital Link Leadership Award, in recognition of his long and significant contribution to the Greek economy, Mr. Evangelos Mytilineos, Chairman & CEO of MYTILINEOS S.A., provided an insightful analysis of the global financial landscape and the challenges of our times. Vividly describing a new world order bound to the laws of booming technologies and dominated by risky trade wars, he then zoomed-in on the place and role of Greece in this context and outlined key steps that decisively need to be taken on a national level, both geopolitically and financially, to restore Greece's credibility and tighten its strategic relations as an integral part of the EU.

The dinner was honored by the participation of the following guests:

- Hon. Elena Kountoura, Minister of Tourism, Hellenic Republic
- Mr. George Tziallas, Secretary General for Tourism Policy and Development, Ministry of Tourism
- Mr. Ioannis Brachos, Secretary General for International Economic Affairs- Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
 Member of the Board- Enterprise Greece
- Mr. George Pitsilis, Governor, Independent Authority for Public Revenue, Hellenic Republic
- H.E. Haris Lalacos, Ambassador of Greece to the United States
- Dr. Konstantinos Koutras, Consul General, Greek Consulate General in New York
- European Institutions representatives: Mrs. Sabina Dziurman, Mr. Declan Costello and Mr. Francesco Drudi
- Dr. Martin Czurda, CEO, Hellenic Financial Stability Fund
- Mr. Dimitrios Tsakonas, Chief Executive, Public Debt Management Agency
- Business Executives, Government Leaders of Greece, Europe and the United States, as well as a group
 of distinguished Greek American entrepreneurs

The Dinner was sponsored by EY.

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