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Greece - Looking Ahead with Confidence



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**MINISTER OF DEVELOPMENT & INVESTMENTS, Mr. ADONIS GEORGIADIS
KEYNOTE SPEAKER AT THE
“22nd ANNUAL CAPITAL LINK INVEST IN GREECE FORUM”
“GREECE - Looking Ahead with Confidence”**

**An International Summit about the Greek Economy & Investment Opportunities
Featuring top US and International Investors, Government & Business Leaders, Global
Investment Banks & Institutions & the Greek Government**

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2 Days – 33 Sessions – 112 Top Level Speakers

December 17, 2020

The “22nd Capital Link Invest in Greece” Forum: “Greece – Looking Ahead With Confidence” took place, in digital form, on Tuesday & Wednesday, December 15 & 16, 2020 in co-operation with the **New York Stock Exchange and major Global Investment Banks and Organizations**. Also with the **overwhelming support of the Greek business & financial community**. Over the years, Capital Link Invest in Greece Forum has developed to become an **International Summit about Greece**, recognized as the main platform for updating US investors on developments in Greece, business and investment opportunities and the attractiveness of Greece as an investment destination. It gathers the elite of the financial and investment communities, as well business and government leaders from the United States and Greece. **This year, as a Virtual Forum, the event was available to a global audience.**

Foreign investments are of critical significance for the re-launching of the economy. The **Capital Link Invest in Greece Forum** provided an effective platform and the perfect timing for communicating the Prime Minister’s relayed message at the HELEXPO on the Government’s 12 initiatives to support the economy, which he described as "12 steps of confidence", and "bridges that will transfer Greece and the Greeks from the health and economic turmoil to the calm waters of progress and hope”. This concrete plan enhances investor interest and confidence and, thus, helping to attract foreign investments.

With a 22-year track record of success, Capital Link Invest in Greece Forum has been engaged in a systematic effort to highlight Greece’s profile, to a global business and investment audience.

This year in particular, in a two-day period, 33 sessions, and 112 Top Level Speakers, from the Greek and international government, business and financial communities this event offered to a global audience a comprehensive, authoritative & insightful blueprint on the latest development and outlook of the Greek Economy. A special emphasis was given to the Business & Investment Opportunities in Greece and the wider region. Led by the Prime Minister, several key Greek Government Ministers outlined their specific programs and policies in the sectors of their portfolios in order to achieve the shift of the economy to a new, sustainable development model for Greece of tomorrow. A confident economy: productive, technologically advanced, innovative, extroverted, intelligent, and competitive, which has disproved the pessimists and attracted the recognition and praise of European partners. A top-level group of CEOs and other executives discussed trends, developments and opportunities for each of the main areas of the economy. Finally, a group of international investors shared their insight and shed light to the reasons that lead them to choose Greece as a Business and Investment Destination and what lies ahead.

The agenda, topics and structure of this forum have been designed to conform with investor interests and requirements. It combines the Greek and US government perspective, with that of private sector executives, international financiers and international investors.

22nd Annual Capital Link Invest in Greece Forum
 Greece – Looking Ahead With Confidence
Digital Conference
 Tuesday & Wednesday, December 15 - 16, 2020
 8:00 am – 4:00 pm (New York Time)

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GOVERNMENT ECONOMIC POLICY & OBJECTIVES – POSITIONING FOR THE POST COVID-19 ERA
 Day 2 – Wednesday, December 16, 2020 | 8:00 – 8:30 am NY time

<p>INTRODUCTORY REMARKS</p>  <p>Mr. Jay Collins Managing Director, Vice Chairman Corporate & Investment Banking Citi</p>	<p>KEYNOTE SPEAKER</p>  <p>H.E. Adonis Georgiadis Minister of Development & Investments Hellenic Republic</p>
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H.E. Minister of Development & Investments, Mr. Adonis Georgiadis, made a keynote speech entitled: «A NEW ERA FOR FOREIGN INVESTMENTS IN GREECE».

Mr. Jay Collins, Managing Director, Vice Chairman Corporate & Investment Banking – Citi made the introductory remarks.

Minister of Development & Investments, Mr. Georgiadis in his speech stressed the following:



“USA has returned as a big investor to Greece during the last 17 months. Our government is working hard to attract more foreign direct investments (FDI’s) especially from USA, sending a clear message to US would-be investors: you are more than welcome in Greece, especially now that the strategic relationship between our countries is better than ever before”, Mr Adonis Georgiadis, the Minister for Development & Investments, highlighted in his speech today in the 22nd Capital Link Forum.

Mr Georgiadis stressed the importance of US investments to Greek economy such as the investments of Microsoft, Pfizer, CISCO, Digital Realty and Deloitte in IT sector, positioning Greece to take the lead in Southeastern Europe's knowledge-based economy. Furthermore, he pointed out the big investments of ONEX in the shipbuilding sector, first in Syros Shipyards and now in Elefsina – Attica with the support of DFC, and Mohegan investment in the new casino in Hellinikon project, the largest urban regeneration project in Europe. He also stressed the increasing interest of US companies in the energy sector and the maritime infrastructure, especially in ports.

Mr Georgiadis reiterated Greek government's commitment to bold pro-business reforms such as simplifying licensing procedures and cutting down red-tape as well as to support economy's digital transition and boost investments through Recovery Fund, privatizations and Private-Public Partnerships (PPC's). Additionally, he presented the new legislation for reducing taxes and social security contributions and government's initiatives for giving hefty tax incentives to foreign self-employed professionals to transfer their tax domicile to Greece or relocate to Greece but continue to work abroad. The same incentives are set for foreign retirees and, last but not least, for Greek professionals who migrated abroad during the crisis.

"I'm pretty confident that Greece shall deliver success and our bilateral economic cooperation will deepen even more in the future", **Mr Georgiadis** reassured US businessmen closing his remarks in the forum."



Mr. Jay Collins, Managing Director, Vice Chairman Corporate & Investment Banking – Citi:

"We at Citi are excited about the prospects of Greece over the next 12 months, and are encouraged to see that even in this environment, investor interest in Greece remains as robust as ever," Mr. Jay Collins, Vice Chairman of Citi Banking, Capital Markets, and Advisory, highlighted in his speech today in the 22nd Capital Link Forum. Mr. Collins emphasized that Citi remains enthusiastic about Greece's prospects, and strongly committed to supporting the Greek economy, continuing Citi's unique almost 60-year commitment to, and on-the-ground presence in, the country through decades of both calm and turbulent waters.

Mr. Collins congratulated the Greek Government and the Greek people on their remarkable efforts, resilience, and discipline through a year of unprecedented challenges and crises, and highlighted that Greece has become a global success story of not only managing this crisis effectively, but also of continuing to deliver on planned reforms and development targets through thick and thin.

Mr. Collins highlighted the landmark investments in the Greek economy by Microsoft and Pfizer, as well as the progress of the Hellinikon project in Greece, as key developments over the course of this year which will be catalytic to the growth, digitisation, diversification, and extroversion of the Greek economy over the coming years.

One-on-One Meetings in Digital Form With the Minister of Development & Investments

As in previous years, the Forum provided foreign investors with unique networking opportunities through more than 100 **one-on-one meetings with listed and not listed companies, as well as, with members of the Greek Government Delegation, which under the current circumstances were held in digital form on a special digital platform** <http://forums.capitallink.com/greece/2020/meetings.html>

In cooperation with the investment banks supporting the Forum, there were organized two group sessions with institutional investors for all Ministers. **Ministers Staikouras, Georgiadis, Hatzidakis:** Each one addressed topics of his portfolio and of interest to the specific group of investors. Furthermore, **Minister Karamanlis also held a series of one on one meetings with investors and other market participants.**

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GREEK AMERICAN ISSUER DAY» at the New York Stock Exchange



Within the context of the **22nd Annual Capital Link Invest in Greece Forum** the **New York Stock Exchange** in cooperation with **Capital Link** organized a special ceremony in honor of Greece titled **“Greek American Issuer Day at NYSE”**.

On Tuesday, December 15th, 2020, the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) held an official reception, **in digital form**, in honor of the Greek Delegation, Greek & Greek- American companies listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

H.E. Adonis Georgiadis, Minister of Development & Investments of the Hellenic Republic, & **Dr. Nikolas P. Tsakos**, President and CEO, **Tsakos Energy Navigation (NYSE: TNP)**; **Chairman, INTERTANKO 2014-2018**, rang **The Closing Bell** accompanied by **Captain Panagiotis N. Tsakos** and the following representatives of NYSE listed companies: **Danaos Corporation (DAC)** – Iraklis Prokopakis – Senior VP/Chief Operating Officer/Treasurer - **Diana Shipping Inc (DSX)** – Semiramis Paliou – Acting CEO/COO - **Dorian LPG (LPG)** – John Lycouris – Director & CEO of Dorian LPG USA LLC and Theodore Young, CFO, Dorian LPG - **Dynagas LNG Partners LP (DLNG)** – Michael Gregos – CFO - **Navios Group of Companies (NM, NMM, NNA)** – Ted C Petrone – Vice Chairman - **Safe Bulkers Inc. (SB)** – Dr. Loukas Barmparis President/Secretary - **Mistras Group Inc. (MG)** – Dennis M Bertolotti - President/CEO - and **Mr. Nicolas Bornozis**, **President of Capital Link**.

The event was broadcasted live on major news stations in the United States and abroad to an estimated audience of 150 million viewers worldwide.

FORUM OVERVIEW

Through the exceptional digital platform that was used, the Forum offered a unique combination of information, marketing and networking opportunities. The participants this year had the opportunity to be informed about Greece from:

- 112 top level speakers who addressed
- more than 1,000+ delegates who attended the forum
- More than 100 one-to-one meetings with listed and non- listed companies
- Separate meetings for the Ministers of Finance, Development & Investments and Energy, with a group of Institutional investors (funds) who are interested in investing in Greece
- Aiming to provide investors with an authoritative insight about Greece, a “digital library” was created which has been designed to be easily accessible for a long period after the forum.

This year’s Forum was honored by the participation of:

WELCOME REMARKS

- **Mr. Nicolas Bornozis**, President of **Capital Link**

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- **Mr. Ajay Kanani**, Director, International Capital Markets - **New York Stock Exchange** who expressed the active support and participation of NYSE, the world's largest stock exchange, enhances the prestige and the visibility of the Forum and of Greece to a wider.
- **H.E. Alexandra Papadopoulou, Ambassador of Greece to the United States** and **H.E. Geoffrey R. Pyatt - U.S. Ambassador to the Hellenic Republic**, delivered the Opening Remarks to the Forum.
- **H.E. Kyriakos Mitsotakis, Prime Minister, Hellenic Republic**, delivered the Government's message to the international investor Community
- **The Forum concluded with Closing Remarks by:**
 - **Mr. John Paulson**, President & Portfolio Manager - Paulson & Co.
 - **US Government Official Mr. Matthew Palmer**, Deputy Assistant Secretary, European and Eurasian Affairs, U.S. Department of State
- **Greek Government Officials**
 - **H.E. Christos Staikouras, Minister of Finance**
 - **H.E. Adonis Georgiadis**, Minister of Development & Investments
 - **H.E. Kostis Hatzidakis**, Minister of Environment & Energy
 - **H.E. Kyriakos Pierrakakis**, Minister of Digital Governance
 - **H.E. Kostas Karamanlis**, Minister of Infrastructure & Transport
 - **H.E. Harry Theoharis**, Minister of Tourism
 - **H.E. Theodoros Skylakakis**, Alternate Minister of Finance for Fiscal Policy
 - **H.E. Nikos C. Papathanasis**, Alternate Minister of Development & Investments - Private Investments & PPPs
 - **H.E. Yannis Tsakiris**, Deputy Minister of Development & Investments
 - **Dr. Evangelos Kyriazopoulos**, Secretary General of Ports, Ports Policy & Maritime Investments - Hellenic Republic
 - **Mr. Alex Patelis**, Chief Economic Adviser to the Prime Minister of Greece
 - **Mr. Michael Arghyrou**, Chairman of Council of Economic Advisors
 - **Mr. Ioannis Smyrlis**, Secretary General for International Economic Relations - Hellenic Ministry of Foreign Affairs / Chairman of the Board of Directors - Enterprise Greece Invest & Trade
- **Bank of Greece**
 - **Mr. Yannis Stournaras**, Governor
 - **Mr. Spiros Pantelias**, Director, Financial Stability Department
- **Five Global Investment Banks**
 - **Citi** • **Goldman Sachs** • **HSBC** • **Nomura International** • **AXIA Ventures Group**
- **Four Greek Banks:**
 - **Alpha Bank:** **Mr. Vassilios E. Psaltis**, Chief Executive Officer • **Mr. Theodoros Athanassopoulos**, Executive General Manager Non Performing Loans Wholesale Banking, CEO Cepal Hellas Financial Services S.A.
 - **Eurobank:** **Mr. Fokion Karavias**, Chief Executive Officer • **Mr. Konstantinos Vassiliou**, Deputy CEO, Head of Group Corporate & Investment Banking Executive Member of the BoD
 - **National Bank of Greece:** **Mr. Pavlos Mylonas**, Chief Executive Officer • **Mr. Vassilis Kotsiras**, Head of Capital Markets and Structured Finance

- **Piraeus Bank:** **Mr. Christos Megalou**, Chief Executive Officer • **Mr. Athanassios Vlachopoulos**, General Manager Corporate & Investment Banking • **Mrs. Eleni Vrettou**, Executive General Manager, Chief of Corporate & Investment Banking • **Mr. George Kormas**, Head of Group Real Estate of Piraeus Bank Group and CEO

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- **Mr. Martin Bijsterbosch**, Adviser – Country coordinator for Greece - Directorate General Economics - European Central Bank
- **Mr. Rolf Strauch**, Chief Economist and Management Board Member - European Stability Mechanism (ESM)
- **Mrs. Andreea Moraru**, Director, Greece & Cyprus - European Bank for Reconstruction & Development (EBRD)
- **Mr. John Jovanovic**, Vice-President and Managing Director for the Aegean and Western Balkans - US International Development Finance Corporation
- **Mr. Riccardo Lambiris**, CEO – Hellenic Republic Asset Development Fund
- **Mr. George Pitsilis**, Governor - Independent Authority for Public Revenue, President of the Intra-European Organization of Tax Administrations (IOTA)
- **Mr. Dimitrios Tsakonas**, Director General - Public Debt Management Agency
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