



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

**18<sup>o</sup> Annual Capital Link Invest in Greece Forum**

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 18<sup>th</sup> year in a row, the Capital Annual Invest in Greece Forum will take place in New York City on Monday December 12, 2016.

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 18-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.

The **Ambassador of Greece to the USA, Hon. Haris Lalacos** will provide opening remarks for the Forum which is organized by Capital Link in cooperation with the New York Stock Exchange and with the support of major global banks, featuring this year:

- **H.E. Alexis Tsipras, Prime Minister of the Hellenic Republic** who will send the Government's message to the international investor Community via webcast;

- **Seven Greek Government Officials:**

- **Hon. Dimitri Papadimitriou, Minister of Economy and Development, Hellenic Republic**
- **Hon. George Stathakis, Minister of Environment and Energy, Hellenic Republic**
- **Hon. Elena Kountoura, Minister of Tourism, Hellenic Republic**
- **Hon. Alexis Charitsis, Alternate Minister of Economy and Development, Hellenic Republic**
- **Hon. George Chouliarakis, Alternate Minister of Finance, Hellenic Republic (via webcast)**
- **Mr. George Pitsilis, Secretary General of the General Secretariat for Public Revenue - Ministry of Finance, Hellenic Republic**
- **Mr. Eric Tourret, Deputy CEO, Hellenic Financial Stability Fund**

- **Seven global investment banks**

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

- **Four Greek Systematic Banks:**

- **Alpha Bank** - Mr. Theodoros Athanassopoulos, Executive General Manager NPL – Wholesale Banking
- **National Bank of Greece** - Mr. Leonidas Fragkiadakis, CEO
- **National Bank of Greece** - Mr. Constantinos Vossikas, AGM for Corporate Special Assets
- **Eurobank Ergasias SA** - Mr. Nikolaos Karamouzis, Chairman & Emeritus Professor – University of Piraeus,



- **Piraeus Bank** - Mr. Spyros Pappaspyrou, Executive General Manager, Non Core Business & Restructuring Portfolio
- **Senior Representatives From European & International Organizations**
  - **Mr. Declan Costello**, Director - European Commission, Directorate-General for Economic & Financial Affairs
  - **Mr. Francesco Drudi**, Principal Adviser, Country coordinator for Greece - European Central Bank
  - **Mrs. Sabina Dziurman**, Director for Greece and Cyprus - European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
  - **Mrs. Andrea Engel**, Country Manager - International Finance Corporation (IFC)
  - **Mr. Nicola Giammarioli**, Head of Strategy & Institutional Relations - European Stability Mechanism
  - **Mr. Ioannis Kaltsas**, Head of Division - European Investment Bank
  - **Mr. Ioannis Tsakiris**, Head of Division of SE Europe and EU Neighborhood - European Investment Fund
- **International Investors**
  - **Apollo Management International** - **Mr. Costas Karagiannis**, Operating Partner
  - **BlackRock** - **Mr. Paschalis Bouchoris**, Managing Director
  - **Calamos Investments** - **Mr. John P. Calamos, Sr.**, Founder, Chairman, and Global Chief Investment Officer
  - **Calamos Investments** - **Mr. John Koudounis**, CEO
  - **KPS Capital Partners, LP** - **Mr. Michael Psaros**, Co-Founder & Managing Partner
  - **Metropoulos & Company** - **Mr. C. Dean Metropoulos**, Chairman & CEO
  - **Oaktree** - **Mr. Spyros Spyropoulos**, Senior Advisor
  - **Red Apple Group** - **Mr. John Catsimatidis**, Chairman & CEO
  - **The Libra Group (TBC)** - **Mr. George Logothetis**, Chairman & CEO
  - **WL Ross & Co.** - **Mr. Wilbur Ross**, Chairman and Chief Strategy Officer
  - **York Capital** - **Mr. William Charles Vrattos**, Partner & Portfolio Manager
- **Corporate CEOs from Greece and the United States**
- **Other Multinational Companies & Organizations:**  
 A.S. Papadimitriou & Partners Law Firm \* Aegean Airlines S.A. \*Alexiou & Kosmopoulos Law Firm \* Artemis ITS SA \* Ballas, Pelecanos & Associates L.P.C. \* Eldorado Gold \* ELLAKTOR \* EY \* First Athens S.A. \* Greek National Tourism Organization \* Grivalia Properties REIC \* Hellenic Petroleum SA \* Intercontinental Real Estate & Development \* Intralot \* Karatzas & Partners Law Firm \* Lamda Development \* Megas Yeeros Group \* McKinsey & Company Greece \* momencio™ \* NBG Pangaea REIC \* New York Stock Exchange \* OTE \* Public Power Corporation S.A. \* Quest Holdings SA \* Reed Smith \* SEV Hellenic Federation of Enterprises \* Shearman & Sterling (London) LLP \* TEMES SA \*Tite Capital Limited \* Trans Adriatic Pipeline (TAP) \* Watson Farley & Williams \* White Key Villas
- **Global Shipping Companies:**  
 Dorian Gas Ltd. (NYSE:LPG), Euroseas Ltd. (NASDAQ:ESEA), Teekay Corp. and Tsakos Energy Navigation (NYSE:TNP)

### **ONE-ON-ONE MEETINGS**

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.**

**Also Hon. Elena Kountoura, Minister of Tourism of the Hellenic Republic besides her participation in the panel discussion “Investment Opportunities in Tourism & Hospitality”, is also hosting private meetings with representatives from the Educational Institutions, the Jewish Community, the Tour Operators and the Film Industry to discuss ways of collaboration.**

**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 markets and specific sectors with topics such as Government and Corporate Bonds, energy, infrastructure development, real estate, tourism, banking, non-performing loans management, and global shipping.

## **SPONSORS**

**Citi and Tsakos Energy Navigation are Lead Sponsors of the Forum for eighth years in a row.**

**In Cooperation With:** New York Stock Exchange

**Grand Sponsors:** Bank of America Merrill Lynch, BNP Paribas, Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank, EY, Goldman Sachs, UBS

**Sponsors:** A.S. Papadimitriou, Alpha Bank, Alexiou-Kosmopoulos Law Firm, Axia Ventures Group Ltd, Ballas, Pelecanos & Associates L.P.C, Calamos Investments, Greek National Tourism Organization, Hellenic Petroleum, Karatzas & Partners Law Firm, Lamda Development, Libra Group, OTE Group of Companies, Public Power Corporation S.A. – Hellas, Reed Smith, Shearman & Sterling, Watson Farley Williams.

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## **2016 HELLENIC CAPITAL LINK LEADERSHIP AWARD**

The "**2016 Hellenic Capital Link Leadership Award**" will be presented to **Mr. Wilbur Ross, Chairman & CEO of WL Ross & Co** for his outstanding contribution to Greece, during an official dinner at The New York Yacht Club on Monday December 12th, 2016.

Introductory Remarks will be made by **Mr. Panos Papazoglou**, Country Managing Partner Greece & CSE South Cluster Leader of EY.

Honored Guests:

- **Hon. Dimitris Papadimitriou, Minister of Economy and Development**
- **Hon. George Stathakis, Minister of Environment and Energy, Hellenic Republic**
- **Hon. Elena Kountoura, Minister of Tourism, Hellenic Republic**
- **Hon. Alexis Charitsis, Alternate Minister of Economy and Development, Hellenic Republic**
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**The Dinner is sponsored by EY**

## **«GREEK DAY» AT NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE**

Within the context of the **18th 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 13, 2016**. The Greek Delegation, Greek companies listed on the New York Stock Exchange and companies which participated in the forum will ring the **Opening Bell** at the New York Stock Exchange, an event of unique visibility throughout the world. 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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### **ABOUT CAPITAL LINK**

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, Athens, Limassol and Shanghai** a series of Investment Forums focusing on its main activity fields ([www.capitallinkforum.com](http://www.capitallinkforum.com)). Capital Link's efforts have been recognized by the 2011 Greek Shipping Lloyds Awards and in 2012 and 2013 the by Intercontinental Finance Magazine. Mr. Nicolas Bornozis has been personally honored for his relentless, efficient and highly effective efforts to promote Greece and Greek Shipping abroad and among the international investment community by the International Propeller Club of the United States and the [AHI-American Hellenic Institute](#).