

# Athens Energy Forum 2019: January 28-29, 2019



## MONDAY, JANUARY 28 | DAY 1

11.30

REGISTRATION

12.00

WELCOME REMARKS

**Achilles Tsaltas**, Vice President, International Conferences,  
The New York Times

12.05

OPENING ADDRESS

**George Stathakis**, Minister of Energy and Environment, Greece

12.30

IN CONVERSATION

**Geoffrey Pyatt**, U.S. Ambassador in Greece

with **Tom Ellis**, Editor in Chief, Kathimerini English Edition

12.45

PANEL DISCUSSION 1 | THE REGIONAL GEOPOLITICAL PERSPECTIVES

- Increasing the substance of trilateral cooperation between Cyprus, Israel and Egypt
- Greece as an East Med Security player
- The Greek-FYROM and Serbia-Kosovo Disputes

Chair: **Dr. Aristotle Tziampiris**, Professor of International Relations, University of Piraeus

**George Katrougkalos**, Alternate Foreign Minister for European Affairs, Greece

**Konstantinos Skrekas**, MP, Head of Energy and Environment Sector, Former Minister of Development and Competitiveness, New Democracy Party

**Victor Grigorescu**, Former Minister of Energy, Romania

Q & A

13.30

UPDATE ON THE PRIVATIZATION AGENDA

In conversation

**Aris Xenofos**, Chairman of the BoD, Hellenic Republic Asset Development Fund

with **Achilles Topas**, Journalist, SKAI TV

13.45

LIGHT LUNCH

14.45

PANEL DISCUSSION 2 | CYPRUS ENERGY OUTLOOK

Chair: **Theodore Tsakiris**, Assistant Professor, Geopolitics & Hydrocarbons, University of Nicosia, Program Adviser AEF 2019

**Dr. Andreas Poullickas**, Chairman, Cyprus Energy Regulatory Authority

**Dr. Symeon Kassianides**, Chairman, Natural Gas Public Company

**Roudi Baroudi**, CEO, Energy & Environment Holding

Q & A

15.30

PANEL DISCUSSION 3 | UPDATE ON UPSTREAM DEVELOPMENTS

- Greek offshore exploration
- Developments in Israel and Egypt
- Developments in the Black Sea and the Adriatic

Chair: **Alexandra Sdoukou**, Energy Advisor

**Yannis Bassias**, President, Hellenic Hydrocarbons Resources Management S.A.

**Yannis Grigoriou**, CEO, Hellenic Petroleum Upstream S.A.

**Orit Ganor**, Director of Natural Gas International Trade, Ministry of Energy, Israel

Q & A

16.15

PANEL DISCUSSION 4 | UPDATE ON REGIONAL MIDSTREAM DEVELOPMENTS

- The IGB pipeline project
- The Alexandroupolis FSRU project and planned regional LNG terminals
- The feasibility of the East Med Gas Pipeline
- The TAP and Turkish Stream projects and associated vertical corridors
- Latest developments in the National Natural Gas System
- Existing and future gas storage available in the region

Chair: **Prof. Nikolaos Farantouris**, Chair, Legal Affairs, EUROGAS, Brussels

**Konstantinos Karayannakos**, Executive Officer, ICGB

**Katerina Papalexandri**, Country Manager Greece, TAP

**Theodore Tsakiris**, Assistant Professor, Geopolitics & Hydrocarbons, University of Nicosia, Program Adviser AEF 2019

**Panayotis Kanellopoulos**, Managing Director, M&M Gas S.A.

**Nikos Katsis**, NNGS Operation Division Director, Hellenic Gas Transmission System Operator (DESFA)

**Ioannis Arapoglou**, Vice Chairman, Gastrade

**Alex Lagakos**, Founding Chairman, Greek Energy Forum

Q & A

17.30

END OF THE 1ST DAY OF THE FORUM

## **TUESDAY, JANUARY 29 | DAY 2**

09.00

ARRIVAL OF DELEGATES

09.30

WELCOME REMARKS

**Symeon Tsomokos**, Chairman, SGT SA

09.35

PANEL DISCUSSION 5 | THE DOMESTIC AND REGIONAL POWER & ELECTRICITY MARKET DYNAMICS

- Back-to-the-future: Lignite Power Generation in Greece
- Progress report on Island interconnectivity
- New network developments
- The evolution of wholesale and retail markets

Chair: **Harris Floudopoulos**, Journalist, Capital.gr

- **The evolution of the power generation market and the rise of the domestic competition in electricity**

**Andrea Testi**, Chairman, Elpedison

**Dimitri Tzanninis**, Deputy CEO & Member of the BoD, Public Power Corporation, Greece

**Dinos Benroubi**, General Manager Electric Power Business Unit, Protergia/MYTILINEOS

- **The target model and the new challenges**

**Manousos Manousakis**, Chairman & CEO, Independent Power

Transmission Operator

**Nektaria Karakatsani**, Member of the Board, Regulatory Authority for Energy

**Constantine Couclelis**, Chairman, Hellenic Union of Industrial Consumers of Energy

Intervention: **Michael Philippou**, CEO, Hellenic Energy Exchange

Q & A

11.00

KEYNOTE ADDRESS

**Megan Richards**, Director, Energy Policy, DG Energy, European Commission

11.15

NETWORKING BREAK

11.45

PANEL DISCUSSION 6 | DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION OF ENERGY. SEIZING THE POTENTIAL OF BIG DATA

Chair: **George Passalis**, Managing Director, Accenture Applied Intelligence

**Professor Miltiades E. Anagnostou**, School of Electrical & Computer Engineer, NTUA

**Yannis Vougiouklakis**, Member, National Committee for Energy and Climate Plan

**Tim Fairchild**, Practice Director, Global Energy Practice, SAS

Q & A

12.30

PANEL DISCUSSION 7 | RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES & ENERGY EFFICIENCY

- The importance of RES in the Greek 2030 energy mix
- Is the market-test process working?
- Finance: Moving beyond the FIT-Premium

Chair: **Dr. Ioannis Tsipouridis**, Renewables Consultant Engineer, Editor of e-mc2.gr

**Maria Spyraiki**, Member of the European Parliament

**Professor Yannis Maniatis**, MP, Democratic Coalition, f. Minister of Environment, Energy & Climate Change

**Dr. Arthouros Zervos**, Chair, REN21

**Harry Boyd-Carpenter**, Director, Head of Power and Energy Utilities, EBRD

**Marios Zangas**, Head, Greece & Cyprus, Vestas Hellas

Q & A

13.30

NETWORKING BREAK

14.00

PANEL DISCUSSION 8 | ENERGY FINANCE

Chair: **Achilles Topas**, Journalist, SKAI TV

**Athanassios Savvakis**, President, Federation of Industries of Northern Greece & Hellenic Energy Exchange

**Vassilis Karamouzis**, Assist. General Manager, Corporate & Investment Banking, National Bank of Greece

Q&A

14.25

PANEL DISCUSSION 9 | CLIMATE CHANGE AND SUSTAINABLE GOALS

- Will the Paris Climate Change agreement goals be met
- What is the role of the EU
- What challenges for Greece

Chair: **Zoi Vrontisi**, Chairwoman, National Center for the Environment & Sustainable Development

Keynote Address: **Socrates Fanellos**, Alternate Minister,

Ministry of Environment & Energy

**Prof. Christos Zerefos**, Head, Research Center for Atmospheric Physics & Climatology, Academy of Athens

**Sabina Dziurman**, Director Greece & Cyprus, EBRD

**Demetres Karavellas**, CEO, WWF Greece

**Xavier L. Rousseau**, Head of Corporate Strategy, Snam

Q & A

15.15

END OF ATHENS ENERGY FORUM 2019