

CONFERENCE AGENDA

8:30 Registration & morning coffee

9:00 **The New South-Eastern European Business Climate.
Romania & Greece: members of the Single European Market, a new perspective for
upgrading the bi and multilateral economic cooperation**

*What the input provided by the new member countries is. Politics of the future: turning the
classical political diplomacy into an economic diplomacy. The Hellenic Plan for the
Reconstruction of the Balkans*

Welcome address:


H.E Thanos Dendoulis, Ambassador of Greece to Romania

H.E. George Ciamba, Ambassador of Romania to Greece

Welcome remarks:


Liliana Munteanu, Vice President, Forum Invest


Chairperson:

 **Dr. Athanase Lavidas**, Secretary General, Head of International Affairs, Federation of Greek
Industries, Greece

Invited speakers:

 **Erhard Busek**, Special Coordinator of the Stability Pact for Southeastern Europe, Austria

 **Theodoros Skylakakis**, Secretary General for International Economic Relations and
Development Cooperation, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Greece

 **Mihai Tanasescu**, President of the Commission of Finance, Budget, Banking and Capital
Market, Chamber of Deputies

 **Constantine Michalos**, President, Athens Chamber of Commerce and Industry

 **Adrian Constantinescu**, The Romanian Ambassador to Macedonia

Case Studies presented by the representatives of companies active in the region

10:30 Coffee break & networking








10:45 Investing in Priority Business Sectors: latest opportunities in the infrastructure, energy, telecommunication, real estate

The absorption of the structural funds offered by EU to the new member countries, as a key to developing bilateral business projects. Access to third markets

Chairperson:

Konstantinos Tsoukalidis, President of the Hellenic-Romanian Chamber of Commerce and Industry, Greece

Invited Speakers:

-  **Dimitris Sioufas**, Minister of Development, Greece
-  **Septimiu Buzasu**, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Transport, Romania
-  **Darius Mesca**, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Economy and Finance, Romania
-  **Zsolt Nagy**, Minister of Communications and Information Technology, Romania
-  **Laszlo Borbely**, Minister for Development, Public Works and Dwelling Construction, Romania
-  **Anastassios Bougas**, Head of Unit Romania, Directorate General Regional Policy, European Commission
-  **Nikos Georgiadis**, Member of the Parliament, Greece

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Q&A session

12.00 Coffee break & networking







12.15 Financing the Business. The Role Played by International Financial Organizations, Banks, Investment Funds, Capital Markets

Improving business legislation and the overall investment climate

Chairperson:

Keshini Navaratnam, International News Journalist

Invited Speakers:

-  **Petros Doukas**, Deputy Minister for Economy and Finance, Greece
-  **Sebastian Vladescu**, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Economy and Finance, Romania
-  **Eugen Dijmarescu**, Vice Governor, National Bank of Romania
-  **Franz Kaps**, Special Representative of the World Bank Group for Southeast Europe
-  **Cristopher Cviic**, Senior Political Counselor for CE Europe and the Balkans, EBRD
-  **Kiriakos Mitsotakis**, Member of the Parliament, Greece

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13:30 Business Luncheon: Key note address (TBA)