



## **"Resilient Deal-Making in a Changing World"**

### **09.15 Arrival of Guests - Registration**

### **10.00 Opening Statements & Welcome Remarks**

- ✓ **Thelma Chatziathanasiou**, Journalist, KATHIMERINI / Money Review

### **10.05 M&A as a Catalyst for Economic Transformation in Greece and Southeastern Europe**

*A discussion on the multifaceted role of Mergers and Acquisitions in Greece and Southeastern Europe treating M&A as a national development strategy.*

- ✓ **Nikos Papathanasis**, Alternate Minister of National Economy & Finance, Hellenic Republic
- ✓ **Yannis Papachristou**, CEO, Growthfund
- ✓ **Nikolaos V. Karamouzis**, Executive Chairman, SMERemediumCap, Chairman, Grant Thornton
- ✓ **Nikos Salakas**, Chief of Corporate Center & General Counsel, Alpha Bank
- ✓ **Paris Economou**, Head of Wholesale Banking, Optima bank
  
- ✓ *Moderator:* **Elias Bellos**, Senior Business Editor, KATHIMERINI

### **11.00 Sector Spotlights: Navigating M&A Opportunities in Key Industries**

*An in-depth analysis of investment trends, challenges, and the transformative impact of M&A within critical sectors.*

- ✓ **Aristidis Vourakis**, CEO, Aegean Baltic Bank
- ✓ **Dimitrios Tsesmetzoglou**, CEO, Greece & Cyprus, HOWDEN
- ✓ **Tassos Iossiphides**, EY Greece Partner, Head of EY-Parthenon in Greece
- ✓ **Labrina Barmpetaki**, President & Managing Director Greece, Cyprus & Malta, Abbvie Greece
  
- ✓ *Moderator:* **Dimitra Manifava**, Journalist, KATHIMERINI



#### 11.40 M&A in Greece During the Past 10 Years and the Path Forward

- ✓ **George Makripidis**, Partner, Head of Deals, PwC
- ✓ *Moderator: **Thelma Chatziathanasiou**, Journalist, KATHIMERINI / Money Review*

#### 11.55 The Future of M&A: Embracing Disruption and Technological Change

*How accelerating technological advancements and market disruptions can fundamentally alter the M&A lifecycle, from strategy and deal sourcing to due diligence, execution, and post-merger integration.*

- ✓ **Elias Koimtzioglou**, Managing Partner, KBVL, Law Firm
- ✓ **Antigoni Lymperopoulou**, Chief Executive Officer, Hellenic Development Bank of Investments
- ✓ **Dimitris Douvris**, Partner – Head of Deals Services, Grant Thornton
- ✓ **Angelos Kansiz**, Sales Director, Datasite
- ✓ *Moderator: **Stathis Orfanoudakis**, Partner, Zepos & Yannopoulos*

#### 12.40 In Conversation

- ✓ **Stefanos Papapanagiotou**, Managing Director, Global Co-Head of Financial Institutions Group, UBS Investment Bank
- ✓ *Moderator: **Elias Bellos**, Senior Business Editor, KATHIMERINI*

#### 13.00 Unlocking Value: Innovative Deal Structures and Financing in Modern M&A

*Focus on the complex, creative, and non-traditional methods that dealmakers use to bridge valuation gaps, mitigate risks, and optimize capital efficiency in contemporary mergers and acquisitions.*

- ✓ **George Linatsas**, CEO, AXIA Ventures Group & Alpha Finance, Chief of Investment Banking, Alpha Bank
- ✓ **Ismeni Papakirillou**, CEO, Hellenic Development Bank
- ✓ **Apostolos Gkoutzinis**, Partner, Milbank LLP
- ✓ **Richard Skelton**, Partner-Transactional Risks, Oneglobal London
- ✓ **Orestis Omran**, Partner and Greece Country Group Head, DLA Piper
- ✓ *Moderator: **Matina Charkoftaki**, Journalist, KATHIMERINI*

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**Networking Break**

**14.30 Beyond Athens: Greek Capital in the Dual Listed World**

- ✓ **Olivier Valk**, Partner, A&O Shearman
- ✓ **Jort de Groot**, Senior Associate, A&O Shearman
- ✓ **Smaragda Rigakou**, General Counsel, Euronext Athens
  
- ✓ *Moderator:* **Stefanos Charaktiniotis**, Head of M&A, Zepos & Yannopoulos

**15.00 Presentation**

- ✓ **Spiros Milonas**, Change Management & Culture Lead, KRATAION Consulting

**15.10 In Conversation**

- ✓ **Anthony Diamandakis**, Vice Chairman of Banking, JP Morgan
  
- ✓ *Moderator:* **Elias Bellos**, Senior Business Editor, KATHIMERINI

**15.30 Navigating the Modern Defense M&A Landscape**

- ✓ **Christoforos Boutsikakis**, CEO, EAS
- ✓ **Akis Bratsos**, Partner, Lakestar
- ✓ **Yannis Stamoulis**, Chief Strategy & M&A Officer, Efa Group
  
- ✓ *Moderator:* **Stamatis Drakakakis**, Partner, Head of Antitrust & Competition, Zepos & Yannopoulos

**16.00 Fireside Chat**

- ✓ **Spyros Theodoropoulos**, Chairman, Hellenic Federation of Enterprises (SEV); CEO, Bespoke SGA Holdings
  
- ✓ *Moderator:* **Nikos Filippidis**, Journalist, Skai TV, Columnist, KATHIMERINI

**16.20 Cross-Border Collaboration: Global Trends and Local Insights in M&A**

*Exploration of the confluence of international M&A patterns with the specific dynamics and challenges of local markets, such as those in Greece and Southeastern Europe.*

- ✓ **Lampros Papakonstantinou**, Chairman of the BoD, Ideal Holdings
- ✓ **Panos Apostolopoulos**, Partner, Strategy & Transactions, Deloitte
- ✓ **Giannis Papadopoulos**, Founding Partner, EOS Global Investors
  
- ✓ *Moderator:* **Athanasios Katsikidis**, Columnist, KATHIMERINI

**16.50 The Human Factor: Leadership, Culture, and Talent in Successful M&A**

*The critical yet crucial, non-financial elements that determine the long-term success or not of a merger and/or acquisition.*

- ✓ **Fotis Rigas**, Managing Director, Human Factor
- ✓ **Eleana Giampana**, Managing Partner, Embrace People
- ✓ **Nancy Papalexandri**, Professor, Athens University of Economics and Business
  
- ✓ *Moderator:* **Sofia Christou**, Journalist, KATHIMERINI

**17.20 M&A in the Age of Sustainability and Responsible Investment**

*A discussion on the profound influence of ESG criteria on the entire M&A lifecycle.*

- ✓ **Konstantinos Kollias**, President, Economic Chamber of Greece
- ✓ **Alexandros Karydis-Karandreas**, Founding Partner, SPOROS Platform
- ✓ **Natassa Stamou**, Vice-Chair, Hellenic Capital Market Commission
  
- ✓ *Moderator:* **Thelma Chatziathanasiou**, Journalist, KATHIMERINI / Money Review

**17.50 Closing Remarks**

- ✓ **Thelma Chatziathanasiou**, Journalist, KATHIMERINI / Money Review

**17.55 End of Forum**