DRAFT PROGRAMME

To get over the Crisis, the EU must go on

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Thursday 10 October 2013

14:30-15:00  Welcome addresses:
E. Venizelos, Deputy Prime Minister & Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Republic
N. Frangakis, President of EKEME
Prof. W. Wessels, Chairman of TEPSA
P. Carvounis, Head of the Representation of the European Commission in Greece

15:00-16:00  
**Inaugural Session: The Greek Presidency Priorities**
Coordinator: N. Frangakis, President of EKEME

*The positions of the Greek Presidency*
D. Kourkoulas, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs

*TEPSA’s Recommendations*
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*The Presidency in practice after the Lisbon Treaty*
Th. Sotiropoulos, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Greece to the EU

Discussion

16:00-16:30  Break

16:30-19:00  
**First Session: Towards a new Economic and Institutional Reality**
Coordinator: Prof. S. Flogaitis, Director, European Public Law Organization

*The Fiscal Compact: Preemptive control of national budgets and the shared national sovereignty*
Prof. G. Pagoulatos, Economics University of Athens; EKEME Fellow
András Inotai, General Director, Institute for World Economics, Hungarian Academy of Sciences; TEPSA Board

*The Banking Union and the conditions for a Common Economic Policy*
G. Provopoulos, Governor, Bank of Greece
Iain Begg, Professorial Research Fellow, LSE; TEPSA Board

*Bail-out mechanisms: Emergency Instruments or preliminary stages of more permanent measures?*
Prof. Ch. Tsoukas, University of Cyprus
J.-V. Louis, Professor emeritus, ULB

*Variable-geometry Europe: Economic and Institutional Challenges*
N. Skandamis, Professor emeritus, University of Athens; EKEME Fellow
Andrew Duff, MEP

Discussion

19:00-19:30  Break

19:30-20:45  
**Roundtable Discussion**

*HowPoliticsfacenewrealities*

Coordinator: P. Kazakos, Professor emeritus, University of Athens; EKEME Board

Prof. Y. Stournaras, University of Athens; Finance Minister
Prof. G. Stathakis, University of Crete; SYRIZAMP
Ph. Sachinidis, PASOK MP; ex Finance Minister

21:00  Dinner

*Key-note Speaker:*
M. Damanaki, European Commissioner for Maritime Affairs & Fisheries
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09:30-11:00

Second Session (Parallel): EU in the World
Coordinator: A. Calogeropoulos-Stratis, Secretary General for European Affairs, MFA

The Global Europe Initiative
Biörn Fägersten, UI, Stockholm

Further enlargement: The Western Balkans and Turkey
S. Wallden, European Commission; EKEME Fellow

The Challenge from the Arab Spring. The Mediterranean dimension
A. Papadopoulou, Ambassador; Director General, European Affairs, MFA

Discussion

Third Session (Parallel): The EU and the quest for Energy Security
Coordinator: G. Maniatopoulos, ex-Director General, European Commission

The International and European Law dimensions
C. L. Rozakis, President of the Administrative Tribunal of the Council of Europe; Professor emeritus, University of Athens; EKEME Fellow

The search for oil and natural gas in Greece
J. Maniatis, Minister for the Environment, Climate Change and Energy

The EU as user of energy resources
Thina Margrethe Saltvedt, Senior Analyst, Nordea Market Research, Oslo

Discussion

11:00-11:30 Break

11:30-13:30

Fourth Session: The EU and its Citizens: the impact of the Crisis
Coordinator: V. Skouris, President, European Court of Justice; Professor, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki; EKEME Fellow

Getting the confidence of European Citizens back, in view of the European Elections
N. Diamandouros, Professor emeritus, University of Athens; European Mediator; EKEME Fellow

The rise of populist forces in the EU Member States
Katrin Böttger, Deputy Director, IEP, Berlin; TEPSA Board

Unemployment
A. Matsaganis, Ass. Professor, Economics University of Athens

The quest for growth
A. Mitsos, Professor, Aegean University; Former Director General, D.G. Research, EC; EKEME Fellow

Discussion

13:30-14:00

Conclusions: Going forward is an existential need for the EU. The road to a new Treaty?
N. Frangakis, President of EKEME
Prof. W. Wessels, Chairman of TEPSA

14:00-15:30 Luncheon

15:30-16:30

Press-time
Coordinator: A.D. Papagiannidis, Journalist; EKEME Board