

23rd Symi Symposium

Taming the Waves of History

Big and Small R-evolutions In the Post Pandemic Era

23rd International Symi Symposium

11-15 July 2021

Grand Resort Lagonisi

**“Taming the waves of History –
Big and Small R-evolutions in the Post Pandemic Era”.**

Draft Agenda

Sunday, 11 July 2021

20.15 – 21.00 Opening ceremony

Fighting for democracy against a dystopian future

- Greeting by **George Patoulis**, Governor, Region of Attica
- Welcome speech by **George Papandreu**

Speakers:

Albin Kurti, Prime Minister of Kosovo

Despina Chatzivassiliou-Tsovilis, Secretary General of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

Leopoldo López, Political leader, Venezuela , co-recipient of the Sakharov Prize

21.00 – 23.00 Welcome dinner

Location: Lagonisi Grand Resort Hotel

Monday, 12 July 2021

09.30 - 11.30 SESSION 1

What future of Europe without the Balkans?

Speakers:

Albin Kurti, PM of Kosovo

Nicola Dimitrov, Deputy Prime Minister for European Affairs of North Macedonia

Radmilla Sekerinska, Minister of Defense of North Macedonia

Vessela Tcherneva, Deputy Director of the European Council of Foreign Relations

Remzi Lani, Executive Director of the Albanian Media Institute

Ivan Vejvoda, Permanent fellow of the Institute for Human Sciences in Vienna

Antonia Colibasanu, Geopolitical risk analyst

Moderator: Marilena Koppa, As. Professor, Panteion University

11.30-12.00 Coffee break

12.00-14.00 SESSION 2

The R-evolution of the future of work - In cooperation with the Friedrich Ebert Stiftung/Athens and Re-Public

A human centered approach of a new way of life

Speakers:

Laszlo Andor, Secretary General of the European Foundation of Progressive Studies ,f. European Commissioner for Employment , Social Affairs and Inclusion

Andrea Nahles, Special Envoy of the EU for Social Dialogue, f. Leader of the Social Democratic Party of Germany (SPD)

(Baron) Robert Skidelsky, Economic historian, Professor at the University of Warwick , Member of the UK House of Lords

Moderator: George Papandreou, Founder of the Sympo Symposium

14.00 – 15.00 Lunch

17.00-19.00 SESSION 3

What an extroverted US means for the world

Speakers:

Madeleine Albright, f. Secretary of State of the United States (TBC) remotely

Markos Kounalakis, Journalist, author, visiting fellow at Stanford University, second gentleman of California

20.30 – 22.30 Dinner

Tuesday, 13 July 2021

09.30-11.30 SESSION 4

The R-evolution of health

Designing new health policies, preventing future pandemics

Speakers:

Theodoros Tryfon, President of Panhellenic Association of Greek Pharmaceutical Industries (remotely)

Vassilis Apostolopoulos, President of the Hellenic Entrepreneurs Association (EENE)

Selin Sayek Boke, First Vice President of the SOC Group of the Council of Europe Parliamentary Assembly
Secretary General CHP party, MP of Izmir in the Turkish Parliament

Theofanis Kanellos, Member of the Scientific Board of Asclepius One Health organization

Eloise Todd, co- founder of the Pandemic Action Network

Charalambos Gogos, Professor of Medicine at Patras University, Member of the National Scientific Committee
on Covid-19

11.30-12.00 Coffee Break

12.00-14.00 SESSION 5

The R-evolution of development models - In cooperation with SDSN - Europe

From global to local - Foresight on the challenges of a just and inclusive green transition

Speakers:

Yahia Said, Senior Economist, IMF

Hakima el Haite, f. Minister of Environment of Morocco

Jeffrey Sachs, Global Director, UN SDSN

Phoebe Koundouri, Professor, Athens University, Co-chair of the United Nations Sustainable Development Network Europe UN SDSN

Grigoris Konstantellos, Mayor of Vari, Voula, Vouliagmeni

Moderator : Andreas Papandreou, Professor in the Economics Department of the Kapodistrian University of Athens, Chair of SDSN Greece

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14.00-15.00 Lunch

17.00- 19.00 SESSION 6

The East Med: re-assessing common interests.

Speakers:

Jeffrey Pyatt, Ambassador of the United States in Greece

Soli Ozel, Senior lecturer, Kadir Has University

Colette Avital, f. Member of the Knesset and presidential candidate in Israel

Charles Ellinas, Senior Fellow, Global Energy Center, Atlantic Council

Amre Moussa, f. Secretary General of the Arab League

Moderator: Constantinos Filis, Director of International Olympic Truce Center, Executive Director, Institute of international Relations, Athens

20.30 – 22.30 Dinner

Wednesday, 14 July 2021

09.30-11.30 SESSION 7

The R-evolution of the new democratic societal model

The legacy of trumpism and the challenge of future elections

Speakers:

Marc Medish, National Security Council and US Treasury Official and founder of Keep our Republic TBC

Harun Chaudhary, White House Videographer during President Obama's tenure

Nomiki Konst, Journalist and commentator

Selin Bucak, Journalist and editor

Necati Ozkan, Communication strategist, Founder and president of OYKU / Dialogue International

11.30-12.00 Coffee break

12.00-14.00 SESSION 8

The R- evolution of positive coexistence - In cooperation with the Vittorio Dan Segre Foundation and Re-Public

Convivencia: respecting human dignity in practice.

Speakers:

Gabriele Segre, Director of the Vittorio Dan Segre Foundation

Cynthia Guyer, Senior Advisor, Global Dignity

Moderator : George Papandreou, Founder of the Symi Symposium

14.00-15.00 Lunch

17.00-18.00 SESSION 9

The R-evolution of the business sector - In cooperation with the Athens Democracy Forum

A New Ethical Charter for Addressing Future Global Challenges

Speakers:

Alex Rhodes, Head of Mishcon Purpose, founding CEO of the charity Stop Ivory, Member of the Board of Athens Democracy Forum

Pavlos Efthymiou, Director of the Hellenic Entrepreneurs Association

Dawn Dakagawa, Executive Vice President of the Berggruen Institute, TBC

Moderator: Anthony Kefalas, Athens Democracy Forum

Thursday, 15 July 2021

09.30-11.30 SESSION 10

***The R-evolution of technology
- Can technology save democracy? The role of platforms -
Evaluating the complexity of new threats for states and companies***

(Session speakers TBC)

11.30-12.00 Coffee break

12.00-14.00 SESSION 11

What future of Europe without citizen's footprint

Speakers:

Nicolo Milanese, author, co- President of European Alternatives

Kalypto Nikolaidis, Professor, Oxford University (remotely) TBC

Pia Locatelli, f. Member of the European Parliament

Moderator: Mary Kaldor, LSE

20.30 Closing ceremony:

Foresight, a tool for a new model of governance

Keynote speaker: Maros Sefcovic, Vice President of the EU Commission

Speakers:

Kostas Bakoyiannis, Mayor of Athens,

George Papandreou, founder of the Symplochi Symposium

Eron Veliaj, Mayor of Tirana

21.00 Dinner in cooperation with the Municipality of Athens

Location: Athens