

15th SE Europe Energy Dialogue

Thessaloniki, June 19 – 20, 2024

The Met Hotel

Conference Programme

Day 1: Wednesday, June 19, 2024

14:00 - 15:00 Registration

15:00 - 16:00 Session I – Introductory Remarks

- Mr. Costis Stambolis, Chairman & Executive Director, Institute of Energy for SE Europe (IENE), Greece
- Dr. John Desypris, Senior Advisor to EVP Regulatory Affairs, Metlen Energy & Metals, Past Chairman IENE, Greece
- Mr. John Roberts, Energy Security Specialist, Scotland, UK, Senior Research Fellow, IENE
- Keynote Address by Mr. Artur Lorkowski, Director, Energy Community Secretariat, Vienna, Austria
- Ms. Alexandra Sdoukou, Deputy Minister of Environment & Energy,
 Hellenic Ministry of Environment and Energy (online)

16:00 - 17:15 Session II - Ambassadors' Forum

Moderator: Mr. Michael Christides, Ambassador (a.h.), Co-Chair Organizing

Committee, Balkan and Black SEA Forum, Greece

Address by HE Mr. Xiao Junzheng, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary "People's Republic of China to Greece", Athens, Greece

Panel discussion:

- H.E. Mr. Matthew Lodge, His Majesty British Ambassador to Greece, Athens, Greece
- H.E. Mr. Arif Mammadov, Ambassador of the Republic of Azerbaijan to Greece, Athens, Greece

17:15 – 17:45 Coffee Break

17:45 – 19:00 Session III - Energy Security in SE Europe and the East Mediterranean

Moderator: Mr. John Roberts, Energy Security Specialist, Scotland, UK, Senior Research Fellow, IENE

- Mr. Slavtcho Neykov, Chairman of the Board of Managers, Energy Management Institute, Bulgaria
- Dr. William Gillett, Energy Programme Director, EASAC, Brussels, Belgium
- Ms. Eugenia Gusilov, Director, Romania Energy Center (ROEC), Romania (online)
- Dr. Yurdakul Yigitguden, Independent Energy Advisor and Former Coordinator of OSCE Economic and Environment Activities, Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, Türkiye
- Mr. Christos Dimas, Deputy Chairman of IENE & Chairman of IENE's Geopolitics Committee, Greece
- Dr. Nikolaos Liapis, Energy and Business Consultant, Managing Partner, ActaNonVerba, Greece

19:00 – 20:00 Cocktail Reception

Day 2: Thursday, June 20, 2024

8:30 - 9:00 **Registration**

9:00 – 9:45 Session IV - East Med Energy Options – IENE Study Presentation and Discussion

Moderator: Mr. George Satlas, Co-Chief Executive Officer, ICGB AD, Bulgaria

- Mr. Costis Stambolis, Energy Market Analyst, Executive Director, Institute of Energy for SE Europe (IENE), Greece
- Mr. Kostis Oikonomopoulos, Petroleum Geoscientist, Research Fellow IENE, Greece
- Mr. John Roberts, Energy Security Specialist, Scotland, UK, Senior Research Fellow, IENE

9:45 – 11:15 Session V - Oil & Gas Exploration

Moderator: Mr. Christos Dimas, Deputy Chairman of IENE & Chairman of IENE's Geopolitics Committee, Greece

- Dr. Amit Mor, CEO, ECO Energy Financial and Strategy Consulting, Israel
- Dr. Nicolas Katcharov, CEO, Energean International (online)
- Mr. Yiannis Grigoriou, Vice-President, Continental Europe Energy Council (CEEC), IENE Partner (online)
- Dr. Charles Ellinas, Senior Fellow, Global Energy Center, Atlantic Council, USA, Senior Research Associate IENE,
- Dr. Efthimios Tartaras, Head of Geoscience & Management Consultant, Hellenic Hydrocarbon and Energy Resources Management Company (HEREMA), Greece (online)

11:15 – 11:30 Coffee Break



11:30 – 13:00 Session VI - SEE Electricity Market Dynamics

Part I: Infrastructure and Markets

Moderator: Mr. Kostis Geropoulos, Journalist, NE Global Media, Greece

- Dr. Stelios Kromlidis, Director of Operational Business Department,
 Southeast Electricity Network Coordination Center, Thessaloniki, Greece
- Prof. Pandelis Biskas, Professor, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (AUTH), Greece
- Ms. Efi Milioni, Market Analysis & Back Office Department Manager, ELPEDISON, Greece
- Mr. Aleksandar Mijušković, Chairman of the Board of Directors,
 Montenegrin Transmission System Operator (CGES), Montenegro
- Mr. Shkelqim Bozgo, Managing Partner, SEA Consulting, Tirana,
 Albania (online)
- Mr. Antonis Kontoleon, Chairman of the Board of the Hellenic Union of Industrial Consumers of Energy (UNICEN), Greece

Part II: Nuclear Energy

Moderator: Mr. Slavtcho Neykov, Chairman of the Board of Managers, Energy

Management Institute, Bulgaria

- Mr. Tim Yeo, Chairman, The New Nuclear Watch Institute (NNWI), Ex
 Secretary of Energy and MP London, UK (online)
- Mr. Anton Ivanov, Chief expert Analyses and Planning Department, National Revenue Agency, Bulgaria
- Dr. Teodor Chirica, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Nuclearelectrica,
 Romania (online)

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch Break

14:00 – 15:15 Session VII - SEE Gas Market Dynamics

Moderator: Mr. John Roberts, Energy Security Specialist, Scotland, UK, Senior Research Fellow, IENE

- Dr. Charles Ellinas, Senior Fellow, Global Energy Center, Atlantic Council, USA, Senior Research Associate IENE
- Ms. Theodora Georgieva, Executive Officer and Board Member, ICGB, Bulgaria (online)
- Mr. Kostis Sifnaios, Vice President and CEO, Gastrade, Greece
- Mr. Milan Zdravkovic, DSO Executive Director, JP SRBIJAGAS, Novi Sad, Serbia
- Mr. Gökhan Yardim, Managing Partner, ADG Natural Gas Consultancy and Trade Ltd., Ankara, Türkiye (online)
- Mr. Gerasimos Avlonitis, Senior Director, Market & System Development, DESFA SA, Greece

15:15 – 16:30 Session VIII - Key Issues in Regional Energy Transition: Decarbonization, Renewables, Energy Efficiency

Moderator: Mr. Gus Papamichalopoulos, Senior Partner, Head of Energy Infrastructure, Chairman of the Management Committee, KG Law Firm, Member of IENE's BOD, Greece

- Mr. Spyros Kiartzis, Manager New Technologies & Alternative Energy Sources, HELLENiQ ENERGY Group, Greece (online)
- Dr. Muhsin Mazman, Director, Energy Storage Division, T-Dynamic, Türkiye (online)
- Ms. Kristina Lazarova, Founder and General Manager, Environmental Group for Global Solutions (EGGS), Sofia, Bulgaria (online)
- Mr. Antonis Koumpias, Senior Associate, KG Law Firm, Greece
- Mr. Costas Theofylaktos, Secretary General and Chairman of IENE's Energy Efficiency Committee, Greece
- **Prof. Agis Papadopoulos**, Chairman of the Board, EYATH S.A, Greece
- Mr. George Drosos, Founder and Manager, Regreenit, Greece (online)

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16:30 – 16:45 Coffee Break



16:45 – 17:45 Session IX - Alternative Energy Solutions: Green Fuels, Biomethane, Hydrogen, CCUS

Moderator: Mr. Nicolas Sofianos, Independent Energy Advisor, IENE Partner and Chairman of IENE's Renewables Committee, Greece

- Ms. Liana Gouta, Director General, FuelsEurope & Concawe, Brussels, Belgium (online)
- Dr. Nikolaos Koukouzas, Director of Research, Centre for Research and Technology (CERTH), Greece (online)
- Mr. Georgios Exarchou, Business Development Manager, Hydrogène de France (HDF Energy), Greece & Cyprus
- Prof. Vassilios Vescoukis, Electrical & Computer Eng., Ph.D. National Technical University of Athens, Greece
- Mr. Theodore Terzopoulos, Chemical Engineer (MSc), Gas Engineer (CEng), MBA, Energy & Renewable Gases Consultant, Chairman of IENE's Natural Gas Committee, Greece

17:45 – 18:00 Conference Summing Up and Closing Statements

- Mr. John Roberts, Energy Security Specialist, Scotland, UK, Senior Research Fellow, IENE
- Mr. Costis Stambolis, Chairman & Executive Director, Institute of Energy for SE Europe (IENE), Greece

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