



**SECURING EUROPE'S FUTURE
STRATEGIC AUTONOMY, REGIONAL STABILITY AND INDUSTRIAL RESILIENCE**

DAY 1

Monday, June 29th, 2026

12.30 Arrival of Guests | Registration

13.00 Opening Remarks

✓ **Symeon G. Tsomokos**, Delphi Economic Forum

13.05 Keynote Address

✓ **Apostolos Tzitzikostas** Commissioner for Sustainable Transport and Tourism, European Commission

13.35 Keynote Address

✓ **Annita Demetriou**, President of the Cypriot House of Representatives

13.40 In Conversation

✓ **Ermal Nufi**, Minister of Defence, Republic of Albania

✓ *Chair:* **Elena Lazarou**, Director General, ELIAMEP

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The Transatlantic Alliance at an Inflexion Point in a Changing Security Landscape

14.05 Can Defence Become Europe's Economic Growth Machine?

Keynote Address

- ✓ **Ioannis Tsakiris**, Vice President, European Investment Bank
- ✓ **Laurence Auer**, Ambassador of the French Republic to the Hellenic Republic
- ✓ **Pantelis Tzortzakis**, CEO, Hellenic Center for Defence Innovation
- ✓ **Grigoris Koutsogiannis**, CEO EFA GROUP
- ✓ **Spyros Blavoukos**, Head of EU Institutions & Policies Programme, Professor, ELIAMEP
- ✓ **Nikos Effthimiadis**, Chairman & CEO, THESS INTEC SA

- ✓ *Chair:* **Alexia Tasouli**, Diplomatic Correspondent, Naftemporiki TV

15.05 In Conversation

- ✓ **Michael Chrysochoidis**, Minister of Citizen Protection, Hellenic Republic

- ✓ *Chair:* **Andriana Paraskevopoulou**, Journalist, TV Presenter ERT

15.30 In Conversation

- ✓ **Evangelos Venizelos**, Deputy Prime Minister & Minister of Foreign Affairs (2013 –2015), Hellenic Republic

- ✓ *Chair:* **Athanasios Ellis**, Editor in Chief, Kathimerini English Edition

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16.05 Financing the EU's Defence funding Renaissance.

- ✓ **Emmanuel Dupuy**, President, Institute for European Perspective and Security Studies, France
- ✓ **Theodore Tzouros**, Chief Corporate & Investment Banking, Piraeus Bank
- ✓ **George Zavvos**, Chairman of the Board, Hellenic Development Bank
- ✓ **Nigel Jones**, Partner, TWJ Capital, Greece
- ✓ **Emmanuel Karagiannis**, Professor of International Security, King's College London & University of Macedonia
- ✓ *Chair*: **Sophia Clément Mavroudis**, Senior Research Fellow on Defence, ELIAMEP

NATO & Wider Europe

16.50 Keynote Address

- ✓ **Ioannis Bouras**, Major General for Defence Investments and Armaments, Ministry of Defence

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17:15 Ankara Summit: What Lies Ahead

- ✓ **Dragos Manea**, Political Affairs Officer for NATO, Romania
- ✓ **Elena Lazarou**, Director General, ELIAMEP

✓ *Chair*: **Symeon G. Tsomokos**, Delphi Economic Forum

17.45 The Future of the Transatlantic Alliance

- ✓ **Matthew Lodge**, Ambassador, British Embassy to the Hellenic Republic
- ✓ **Miroslav Lajčák**, Minister for Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic (2012-2020)
- ✓ **Andrew Novo**, Adjunct Professor, Centre for Security Studies, Georgetown University, USA
- ✓ **David L. Berkey**, Research Fellow, Hoover Institution, Stanford University, USA
- ✓ **Markos Kounalakis**, Visiting Fellow, Hoover Institution, Stanford University, USA

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✓ Chair: **Iliana Magra**, Journalist, Kathimerini Newspaper

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18.35 In Conversation

✓ **Tasos Chatzivasileiou**, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Hellenic Republic

✓ Chair: **Dimitra Kroustalli**, Political Editor, To Vima

18.50 Russia's war on Ukraine: Beyond the Fifth Year

✓ **Michael Spinellis**, Ambassador a.h. Hellenic Republic

✓ **Marharyta Chelakova**, Senior Product Manager, YES, Ukraine

✓ **Ino Afentouli**, Senior Policy Advisor; Head of the Observatory of Geopolitics and Diplomacy, ELIAMEP

✓ Chair: **Athanasios Katsikidis**, Freelance Columnist, Kathimerini Newspaper

19.20 Greece's Strategic Ports and Bases: The Eastern Mediterranean's Logistical Anchor

✓ **Vassilis Kikilias**, Minister of Maritime Affairs and Insular Policy, Hellenic Republic

✓ **Andreas Kindl**, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Hellenic Republic

✓ **Harriet Elisabeth Berg**, Ambassador of the Royal Norwegian Embassy to the Hellenic Republic

✓ **Miltiadis Varvitsiotis**, CEO, Skaramangas Shipyards

✓ **Panayotis Tsakonas**, Professor, International Relations and Security Studies, ELIAMEP

✓ **Michalis Mathioulakis**, Research Associate, ELIAMEP, Energy Strategy Analyst and Academic

✓ Chair: **Ariadni Agatsa**, President, Athens Macedonian News Agency

20.30 End of day 1

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Greece as a Security Defence Hub

9.30 Welcome Remarks

✓ **Elena Lazarou**, Director General, ELIAMEP

9.35 Opening Remarks

✓ **Thanasis Davakis**, Deputy Minister of National Defence, Hellenic Republic
Introduced by: Elena Lazarou, Director General, ELIAMEP

10.00 The Eastern Mediterranean as a Geopolitical Nexus

- ✓ **Noam Katz**, Ambassador, Embassy of Israel to the Hellenic Republic
- ✓ **Aggelos Syrigos**, Member of Parliament, Hellenic Parliament
- ✓ **Constantinos Filis**, Director, ACG Institute of Global Affairs
- ✓ **Volker Perthes**, Senior Distinguished Fellow, German Institute for International and Security Affairs
- ✓ **Jonathan Cohen**, former US Diplomat, Distinguished Fellow, RUSI
- ✓ **Amy Austin Holmes**, Research Professor of International Affairs, Bush School of Government & Public Service, USA

✓ *Chair: Ino Afentouli*, Senior Policy Advisor; Head of the Observatory of Geopolitics and Diplomacy, ELIAMEP

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11.10 US-Greece: Security Cooperation

✓ **Joshua Huck**, Deputy Chief of Mission, US Embassy in the Hellenic Republic

Introduced by: **Symeon G. Tsomokos**, Delphi Economic Forum

11.30 Defence policy in a world of conflict and disruptive technology

- ✓ **Thanos Dokos**, Secretary General for National Security, Hellenic Republic
- ✓ **Jorge Domecq**, Ambassador of the Kingdom of Spain to the Hellenic Republic
- ✓ **Benedetta Berti**, Secretary General, NATO Parliamentary Assembly
- ✓ **Christoforos Boutsikakis**, CEO, Hellenic Defence Systems S.A.

✓ *Chair:* **Eleni Ekmetsioglou**, Non-Resident Fellow, ELIAMEP

12.15 Modernising Deterrence:

Greek Defence Procurement, Tech Innovation and the Future of the Greek Defence Industry

- ✓ **George Panousis** Major General, Hellenic Centre for Defence Innovation, Hellenic National Defence General Staff
- ✓ **Håkan Emsgård**, Ambassador of the Kingdom of Sweden to the Hellenic Republic
- ✓ **Wojciech Ponikiewski**, Ambassador of the Republic of Poland to the Hellenic Republic
- ✓ **Alexandros Diakopoulos**, Executive Chairman and CEO, Hellenic Aerospace Industry
- ✓ **Vasilis Antoniadis**, Managing Director & Senior Partner of BCG
- ✓ **Tassos Rozolis**, President, Hellenic Manufacturers of Defence Materiel Association
- ✓ **Michaela Fecko**, Director of Industrial Cooperation, SAAB, Sweden

✓ *Chair:* **Fanis Papathanasiou**, Senior Diplomatic Correspondent, ERT TV

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The Future of Defence in a World of Turbulent Geopolitics

13.25 Drones, AI, Cyberwar, and the Transformation of Modern Warfare

- ✓ **Ioannis Mertzanis**, CEO, Space Hellas
 - ✓ **Apostolos Anyfantakis**, Head of Strategy, Delian Alliance Industries
 - ✓ **Andreas Mitrakas**, Head of Unit Executive Director's Office, European Union Agency for Cybersecurity ENISA
 - ✓ **Dimitrios Zampakolas**, Senior Official, National Cyber Security Authority
 - ✓ **John Doxaras**, Founder & CEO, Resilience Tech
 - ✓ **Eleni Ekmetsioglou**, Non-Resident Fellow, ELIAMEP
- ✓ *Chair:* **Faidon Karaiosifidis**, Publisher, Ptsi Press

14.35 Startups and Innovation in Defence

- ✓ **Dimitris Giakoumis**, Chief Research Officer, Ozzie Robotic
 - ✓ **Vassilis Chaloulakos**, CEO, ICEYE Hellas
 - ✓ **Ilias Psychogios**, CtO, TwinLogic
 - ✓ **Angelos Tserekias – Zafirakis**, Managing Director, CEO Sotiria Technology
 - ✓ **Christos Giordamlis**, CEO, PRISMA ELECTRONICS
- ✓ *Chair:* **Ioanna Sapfo Pepelasis**, Senior Research Fellow, ELIAMEP

15.30 Concluding Remarks

- ✓ **Symeon G. Tsomokos**, Delphi Economic Forum

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