AGENDA

Agenda is in Eastern European Summer Time (EEST)

Day One

15:00 | Opening Remarks

- Vassilis Kafatos, Vice President, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce
- Nikolaos Bakatselos, President, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce
- George J. Tsunis, U.S. Ambassador to the Hellenic Republic

15:20 | Zooming out to the Future of Learning and Work

- Lieven De Groodt, Global Learning and Deloitte University Leader, Deloitte
- Wassili Bertoen, Managing Partner, Deloitte Center for the Edge*

16:00 | Education Fast Forward: Building a Future that Works for All

- Andreas Schleicher, Director for Education and Skills, Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD)
  In conversation with:
  Elias Spirtounias, Executive Director, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

16:30 | Innovation and Technological Shifts in Education and Labor Markets

- Allyson Parco, Research Analyst, Center for Universal Education, Brookings Institution
  In conversation with:
  Panayiotis Kikididis, Vice President for Research and Innovation, City College

17:00 | Provide a Transformative Educational Experience for All Students

- Michael J. Schoenfeld, Vice President for Public Affairs and Government Relations, Duke University
  In conversation with:
  Peggy Pelonis, President, American Community Schools of Athens*

17:30 | Preparing Today's Business Knowledge for Tomorrow's Demand on Digital Competence and Soft Skills

- Luca Lepore, Business Development Manager, Cisco Italy, Romania, Bulgaria, Cyprus, Israel and Malta
  In conversation with:
  Panayiotis Kikididis, Vice President for Research and Innovation, City College
17:50 | Broader Changes in Higher Education and the Blockchain Factor
- Louis Soares, Chief Learning and Innovation Officer, American Council on Education (ACE)
  In conversation with:
  Artemis Zenetou, Executive Director, Fulbright Greece*

18:10 | European Skills Agenda Strengthening Sustainable Competitiveness
- Eva Kaili, Vice-President, European Commission
  In conversation with:
  Vassilis Kafatos, Vice President, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce*

18:30 | Talking Europe: Inclusion, Mobility and Digital Learning in Exceptional Times
- Themis Christophidou, Directorate-General for Education and Culture, European Commission

18:40 | EU Stem Observatory Report
- Christos Theocharopoulos, Principal at Consulting, Deloitte Greece
  In conversation with:
  Iro Koliakou, Anna Papageorgiou STEM Center Coordinator, Anatolia College

19:00 | Entrepreneurship at University as a Catalyst for Innovation
- Steve Stevens, Coordinator, DO! Ghent University
  In conversation with:
  Leonidas Tzonis, Executive Vice President and CFO, Hellenic American College*

19:20 | Changing Longstanding Mindsets in Education
- Pericles A. Mitkas, President, Hellenic Authority for Higher Education
  In conversation with:
  Leonidas Tzonis, Executive Vice President and CFO, Hellenic American College*

19:40 | Tourism Education Aligning Market Requirements
- Sofia Zacharaki, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Tourism
  In conversation with:
  Litsa Panayotopoulos, Chair, Education-Innovation-Entrepreneurship Committee, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

20:10 | Workforce Development in Agriculture
- Brian J. Schilling, Director, Rutgers Cooperative Extension
  In conversation with:
  Effie Lazaridou, Chief Executive Officer, New Agriculture New Generation

20:30 | Closing Remarks
- Elias Spirtounias, Executive Director, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

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Day Two

15:00 | Opening Remarks
- Elias Spirtounias, Executive Director, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce
- Nikolaos Bakatselos, President, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce
- Elizabeth K. Lee, Consul General, US Consulate General Thessaloniki
15:10 | Changing Education in a Practical Way

- Niki Kerameus, Minister, Ministry of Education*
  In conversation with:
  Litsa Panayotopoulos, Chair, Education-Innovation-Entrepreneurship Committee, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

15:40 | Meeting Future Skills Needs: Revolution or Evolution?

- Konstantinos Koukountzos, Managing Director, Kleemann
- George Milonas, President & CEO, Alumil
- Costas Malamas, Managing Partner, Veltio Greece
  Moderated by:
  Alexandros Costopoulos, Secretary General, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

16:10 | Bringing Closer Theoretical Education to Practice - Market Needs

- Triantafyllos Albanis, Rector, University of Ioannina
- Nikos Papaioannou, Rector, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
  In conversation with:
  Babis Bakolias, Director and General Manager, ANSYS Hellas*
  Alex Tsoukalis, CEO, Micrel Medical Devices*

16:40 | Ignite the Future through Education

- Scott Ralls, President, Wake Technical Community College
  In conversation with:
  Elias Spirtounias, Executive Director, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

17:10 | The Key Factor of Apprenticeship in Expanding Opportunities for Knowledge and Skills

- Robert I. Lerman, Fellow, Center on Labor, Human Services and Population, Urban Institute
  In conversation with:
  Elias Spirtounias, Executive Director, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

17:40 | Skills Development and Lifelong Learning Governance

- Siria Taurelli, Senior Human Capital Development Expert and Coordinator for Governance and Quality Assurance, European Training Foundation
  In conversation with:
  Venetia Koussia, Chair, Employment Committee, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

18:10 | Skills Supply and Demand in the Labor Market

- Spiros Protopsaltis, Governor and Chairman of the Board of Directors, DYPA
  In conversation with:
  Venetia Koussia, Chair, Employment Committee, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

18:40 | Networking Coffee Break

19:00 | How Technology Transfer Ecosystem Bridges Research Activity with Innovation and the Real Economy

- Christos Dimas, Deputy Minister for Research and Technology, Ministry of Development and Investments
- Nico Gariboldi, Site Lead - Senior Director, Pfizer
  Moderated by:
  Alexandros Costopoulos, Secretary General, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce
19:30 | Make the Best out of NGEU-RRP Funds on Reskilling – Upskilling

- Sotiris Batzias, Consulting Principal in Strategy, Analytics and M&A, Deloitte Greece

Q&A

19:50 | The Way Forward: Strengthening Local Skills Partnerships

- Stavros Kalafatis, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Interior (Sector of Macedonia-Thrace)*
- Apostolos Tzitzikostas, Governor, Region of Central Macedonia*
- Konstantinos Zervas, Mayor, Municipality of Thessaloniki*

Moderated by:
Athanasios Kouimtzis, BoD Member and Chair, Agrotechnology Committee, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

20:20 | Closing Remarks

- Vassilis Kafatos, Vice President, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

*Awaiting Confirmation