

# **Athens Democracy Forum**

October 9-11, 2019

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**Agenda** 

## Wednesday

## October 9 2019

Hotel Grande Bretagne (1, Vasileos Georgiou A, Syntagma Square)

8:00 a.m. Preregistration opens

4:00 p.m Cultural Event: Private tour of the Temple of Olympian Zeus

Hotel Grande Bretagne to Temple of Olympian Zeus shuttle bus service

#### **Zappeion Megaron** (Vasilissis Olgas Avenue)

4:45 p.m. Meet in Hotel Grande Bretagne lobby for accompanied walk to Zappeion

5:00 p.m. Delegate Arrival and Registration

6:00 p.m. GLOBAL CONVERSATION: REINVENTING DEMOCRACY

Democracy has a duty to learn from its past mistakes; to mature it must adapt and change. But do we have the capacity to do that?

Welcome Remarks by

Achilles Tsaltas, President, Athens Democracy Forum

Annika Savill, Executive Head, UN Democracy Fund, United Nations

Kostas Bakoyannis, Mayor of Athens, Hellenic Republic

Opening Keynote Address by

Donald Tusk, President, European Council

#### PANEL DISCUSSION

**Prof. Wole Soyinka**, Playwright, Poet, Novelist, Essayist and Nobel Literature Laureate

**Magdalena Adamowicz,** Member of the European Parliament (accepting the 2019 City of Athens Democracy Award on behalf of the late Paweł Adamowicz)

**Ory Okolloh**, Managing Director, Africa, Luminate, and Member of the Kofi Annan Commission on Elections and Democracy in the Digital Age

Moderated by **Roger Cohen**, Athens Democracy Forum Host and Op-Ed Columnist, The New York Times

7:30 p.m Zappeion to Acropolis Museum shuttle bus service or leisurely

20-minute walk

8:00 p.m. Cultural Event: Private tour of the Acropolis Museum

#### **Acropolis Museum** (15, Dionysiou Areopagitou Street)

8:30 p.m. Welcome Cocktail

Co-hosted by **Stephen Dunbar-Johnson**, President, International,

The New York Times Company and

**Themistocles Alafouzos**, CEO, Kathimerini on the occasion of

Kathimerini's 100th Anniversary

10:00 p.m. Acropolis Museum to Hotel Grande Bretagne shuttle bus service

## Thursday

## October 10 2019

#### **Zappeion Megaron** (Vasilissis Olgas Avenue)

8:00 a.m. Meet in Hotel Grande Bretagne lobby for optional accompanied walk

to Zappeion

8:15 a.m. Delegate Arrival and Registration

9:00- WELCOME AND PRESENTATION

10:15 a.m. Achilles Tsaltas, President, Athens Democracy Forum

#### **OPENING PROVOCATION: COLLECTIVE INTELLIGENCE**

**Lex Paulson**, Director, School of Collective Intelligence, UM6P, Morocco

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#### **OPENING KEYNOTE CONVERSATION**

Kyriakos Mitsotakis, Prime Minister, Hellenic Republic

In conversation with **Roger Cohen**, Athens Democracy Forum Host and Op-Ed Columnist, The New York Times

#### 10:15-10:55 a.m.

#### PANEL DISCUSSION: WE AND THEM

Far from diminishing, ethnic, national and religious tribalism is on the rise, feeding intolerance, exclusion, populism and conflict. Why are the ideals of multiculturalism and inclusion so elusive, and so often held in disdain?

**Nathan Law,** Hong Kong Politician and Activist **Kassem Eid**, Human Rights Activist and Author

**Sergey A. Karaganov,** Scientific Head and Dean of the School of International Economics and Foreign Affairs of the National Research University Higher School of Economics (NRU HSE) and Honorary Chairman of the Presidium of the Council on Foreign and Defense Policy

Moderated by **Katrin Bennhold**, Berlin Bureau Chief, The New York Times

10:55-11:25 a.m. Networking Break

11:25-12:05 p.m.

#### PANEL DISCUSSION: THE COST OF INEQUALITY

"We may have democracy, or we may have wealth concentrated in the hands of a few, but we can't have both," said Louis Brandeis, a member of the U.S. Supreme Court. Was he right? Can economic inequality be tempered without discouraging innovation and entrepreneurship?

**Paul Polman**, Former C.E.O., Unilever, and Co-Founder and Chair, Imagine

**Margot Wallström**, Former Minister for Foreign Affairs, Sweden **Anna Diamantopoulou**, President, DIKTIO Network for Reform in Greece and Europe

Moderated by **Liz Alderman**, Chief European Business Correspondent, The New York Times

## Thursday October 1

October 10 2019 12:05-12:45 p.m.

#### PANEL DISCUSSION: BACK TO BASICS

Disenchantment with liberal democracy has confronted it with an existential danger. But while the problem has been richly described, few tangible solutions have emerged to reverse the alienation voters feel from their elected leaders and institutions. What is the answer, or answers?

**Dr. Huiyao (Henry) Wang**, Founder and President, Center for China and Globalization

**Jayathma Wickramanayake**, United Nations Secretary General's Envoy on Youth, United Nations

**Dr. Karolina Wigura**, Sociologist, Kultura Liberalna Foundation, Poland

**Stephen Bannon,** Former White House Chief Strategist, United States

Moderated by **Steven Erlanger**, Chief Diplomatic Correspondent, Europe. The New York Times

12:45-1:20 p.m. **DEBATE: LIBERAL VS. ILLIBERAL** 

**Ivan Krastev,** Political Scientist and Chairman, Center for Liberal Strategies. Sofia

vs. **Mária Schmidt**. Historian

Moderated by **Steven Erlanger**, Chief Diplomatic Correspondent, Europe, The New York Times

1:20-1:25 p.m **DEMOCRACY & CULTURE** 

Marianna V. Vardinoyannis, Unesco Goodwill Ambassador

1:25-3:00 p.m. LUNCH: BESPOKE SYMPOSIUMS

BEYOND PROFIT: BUSINESS FOR PURPOSE

Hosted by the International Chamber of Commerce

**John Denton,** Secretary General, International Chamber of Commerce

Pavan Sukhdev, President, WWF International

**Paul Polman,** Former C.E.O., Unilever, and Co-Founder and Chair, Imagine

**Candace Johnson,** Co-Initiator, SES/Astra, and Vice Chair, NorthStar Earth and Space

Maria Fernanda Garza, C.E.O., Orestia

Moderated by **Liz Alderman**, Chief European Business Correspondent, The New York Times

#### **ELECTORAL INTEGRITY**

Hosted by Facebook and the Kofi Annan Foundation

**Laura Chinchilla,** Former President, Republic of Costa Rica, and Chair of the Kofi Annan Commission on Elections and Democracy in the Digital Age

**Crystal Patterson,** Global Civic Partnerships Manager, Facebook **Stephen Stedman,** Secretary General, Kofi Annan Commission on Elections and Democracy in the Digital Age

Moderated by **Steven Erlanger**, Chief Diplomatic Correspondent, Europe, The New York Times

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3:00-3:30 p.m.

7:15 p.m.

#### **CONVERSATION WITH THE PRESIDENT**

America's founding fathers declared that the new republic would consist of "the total exclusion of the people, in their collective capacity, from any share" in the government. What does that mean today?

H.E. Mr. Borut Pahor, President, Republic of Slovenia

In conversation with **Steven Erlanger,** Chief Diplomatic Correspondent, Europe, The New York Times

#### Stoa of Attalos (Adrianou Street, Ancient Agora)

4:00 p.m. Cultural Event: Private tour "Path of Democracy"

Hotel Grande Bretagne to Stoa of Attalos shuttle bus service

4:45 p.m. Hotel Grande Bretagne to Stoa of Attalos shuttle bus service

**5:15 p.m.** Delegate Arrival

6:15- The Aristotle Address

"If liberty and equality, as is thought by some, are chiefly to be found in democracy, they will be best attained when all persons

alike share in government to the utmost." - Aristotle

Welcome by

**Stephen Dunbar-Johnson,** President, International, The New York

Times Company

H.E. the President of the Hellenic Republic, Mr. Prokopios Pavlopoulos

H.E. the President of Ireland, Mr. Michael D. Higgins

Epilogue: Prayer by Bernard-Henri Lévy, Philosopher, Filmmaker

and Activist

7:15 p.m. 5-minute walk from Stoa of Attalos to Restaurant 360

#### Restaurant 360 (2, Ifaistou Street)

7:30- Cocktail Dînatoire

8:30 p.m. Hosted by Kostas Bakoyannis, Mayor of Athens, Hellenic Republic

8:30 p.m. 5-minute walk from Restaurant 360 to Roman Agora

#### Roman Agora (3, Polignotou Street)

8:45-10:00 p.m.

#### THE CITY OF ATHENS DEMOCRACY AWARD AND CONCERT

Award bestowed by Mayor of Athens **Kostas Bakoyannis** in memorium the late **Paweł Adamowicz**, former mayor of the city of Gdánsk, and accepted by **Magdalena Adamowicz**, Member of European Parliament. European Council President **Donald Tusk** will oversee the award presentation.

A NIGHT FOR DEMOCRACY -

**CONCERT FEATURING ALKISTIS PROTOPSALTI** 

Co-hosted by Elpida

10:00 p.m. Roman Agora to Hotel Grande Bretagne shuttle bus service

### Friday

# October 11, 2019

Hotel Grande Bretagne (1, Vasileos Georgiou A, Syntagma Square)

8:00- BREAKFAST BRIEFING - CITIES OF THE FUTURE\*

9:00 a.m. Hosted by McKinsey & Company

Sangeeth Ram, Senior Partner, McKinsey & Company

Moderated by **Stephen Dunbar-Johnson,** President, International,

The New York Times Company

8:00- BREAKFAST BRIEFING - MIGRATION AND INTEGRATION\*

9:00 a.m. Hosted by SolidarityNow

**Stelios Zavvos,** Chairman of the Board of Directors, SolidarityNow **Antigone Lyberaki,** General Manger, SolidarityNow

Chaker Khazaal, Author, Reporter and Speaker

Moderated by **Serge Schmemann**, Program Director, Athens Democracy Forum and Member of the Editorial Board, The New York Times

\*Breakfast Briefings are by invitation and preregistration only.

9:00 a.m. 5-minute walk from Hotel Grande Bretagne to Old Parliament House

#### **Old Parliament House** (13, Stadiou Street)

9:00 a.m Delegate Arrival

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10:15 a.m.

**Q&A TALK WITH THE TIMES** 

In this interactive session, senior New York Times journalists assess the findings and proposed solutions from this year's conference,

and answer questions from the audience.

Roger Cohen, Serge Schmemann, Liz Alderman, Alicia Wittmeyer, Katrin Bennhold, Farah Nayeri and Stephen Dunbar-Johnson

Moderated by **Alexis Papahelas**, Executive Editor, Kathimerini With contributions from students representing the Global Liberal Arts Alliance

10:15-11:00 a.m

#### PANEL DISCUSSION: THE ECHO CHAMBER AND THE AGORA

The dangers of social media have become obvious in spreading hatred, lies, and delusions, as well as privacy invasion. But it has also become an integral and beneficial part of our lives. How do we manage this dilemma?

**Laura Chinchilla**, Former President, Republic of Costa Rica, and Chair of the Kofi Annan Commission on Elections and Democracy in the Digital Age

**Crystal Patterson,** Global Civic Partnerships Manager, Facebook **Alvin Carpio,** Chief Executive, The Fourth Group

Moderated by **Alicia Wittmeyer**, Editor, Opinion Section, The New York Times

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Imagine

PANEL RESPONSE AND DEMOCRACY IN THE DIGITAL AGE

**11:20 a.m. Margrethe Vestager**, European Commissioner for Competition,

European Commission

11:20 Networking Break

11:45- TALK ON LIVABLE CITIES AND INCLUSION

11:55 a.m. Sangeeth Ram, Senior Partner, McKinsey & Company

11:55 Spotlight

11:00-

12:00- THE COLLAPSE OF THE TRADITIONAL PARTY
12:40 p.m. Today traditional parties in many mature democracy

Today traditional parties in many mature democracies have become polarized, weakened and alienated from the public, giving way to populist parties and leaders who put their personal interests above the values of democracy. Why has this happened, and what is the remedy?

**George A. Papandreou,** Former Prime Minister, Hellenic Republic **Prof. Angie Hobbs.** Professor of the Public Understanding of

Philosophy, University of Sheffield

Jay Weatherill, Former Premier, South Australia, and Industry

Professor, University of South Australia

Moderated by **Serge Schmemann**, Program Director, Athens Democracy Forum and Member of the Editorial Board, The New

York Times

12:40- CLOSING DEBATE: GLOBAL VS. NATIONAL

1:15 p.m. Bernard-Henri Lévy, Philosopher, Filmmaker and Activist

vs. **Stephen Bannon,** Former White House Chief Strategist, United States

Moderated by Roger Cohen, Athens Democracy Forum Host and

Op-Ed Columnist, The New York Times

1:15- SUMMARY AND CLOSING REMARKS

1:30 p.m. Roger Cohen, Athens Democracy Forum Host and Op-Ed Columnist,

The New York Times

1:30 p.m. 5-minute walk from Old Parliament House to Hotel Grande Bretagne

**Hotel Grande Bretagne** (1, Vasileos Georgiou A, Syntagma Square)

2:00- GLOBAL GOALS LUNCHEON AND WORKSHOPS

**3:30 p.m.** Deep-dive discussions into the global goals agreed by world leaders

in 2015 with the aim of achieving a better world by 2030. Workshops will be hosted on 4 of the 17 global goals:

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**Goal 4 QUALITY EDUCATION** 

**Goal 10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES** hosted by the **European Bank** 

for Reconstruction and Development

**Jonathan Charles**, Managing Director, Communications, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development

Alison Smale, Former Under Secretary General of Global

Communications, United Nations

Alan Doss, President, Kofi Annan Foundation

Moderated by **Liz Alderman**, Chief European Business Correspondent,

The New York Times

## Friday October 11. 2019

Goal 13 CLIMATE ACTION hosted by Mishcon de Reya

Gillian Lobo, Senior Lawyer and U.K. Litigation Specialist, ClientEarth

Alexander Rhodes, Managing Associate, Mishcon de Reya Paul Polman, Former C.E.O., Unilever, and Co-Founder and Chair, **Imagine** 

Moderated by Farah Naveri. Culture Correspondent. The New York Times

#### **Goal 16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS**

(Peace in the Digital Age) hosted by Microsoft

Nanna-Louise Wildfang Linde, Area Lead, Corporate, External and Legal Affairs, Central and Eastern Europe, Microsoft Kostas Bakoyannis, Mayor of Athens, Hellenic Republic

Moderated by Alicia Wittmeyer, Editor, Opinion Section, The New York Times

4:00 p.m. Complimentary bus transportation from Hotel Grande Bretagne to Costa Navarino (estimated arrival time: 8:30 p.m.)

## Democracy & Spirituality Weekend at Costa Navarino

## Saturday October 12. 2019

6:00 p.m.

Brunello Cucinelli, Chairman and C.E.O., Brunello Cucinelli S.p.A. In conversation with **Katrin Bennhold**. Berlin Bureau Chief. The New York Times

6:30 p.m.

Khalil Osiris, International Speaker, C.E.O., Reflecting Freedom and Board Member of the House of Mandela Family Foundation In conversation with **Katrin Bennhold**. Berlin Bureau Chief. The New York Times

6:50-7:30 p.m.

#### **Socrates-Confucius Dialogue**

Confucius said: "To put the world in order, we must first put the nation in order; to put the nation in order, we must first put the family in order; to put the family in order; we must first cultivate our personal life; we must first set our hearts right."

**Prof. Angie Hobbs,** Professor of the Public Understanding of Philosophy, University of Sheffield

Prof. Rana Mitter, Historian and Director, University of Oxford China

Moderated by **Serge Schmemann**. Program Director. Athens Democracy Forum and Member of the Editorial Board, The New York Times

## Sunday

2:00 p.m. October 13. 2019

Complimentary bus transportation from Costa Navarino to Syntagma Square, Athens (estimated arrival time: 6:30 p.m.)



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