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# ATHENS FORUM GO FOR DEMOCRACY

**February 6- 7, 2014**

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## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6

5pm-6.30pm

### HOW CAN WE MAKE EUROPE APPEALING?

**Michel Barnier** (France),  
European Commissioner for  
Internal Market and Services  
**Thierry Repentin** (France),  
French Minister for European  
Affairs

**Evangelos Venizelos**  
(Greece), deputy Prime  
Minister and Minister for  
Foreign Affairs

*Moderated by Laurent Joffrin,  
director Le Nouvel Observateur  
and Nikos Konstandaras,  
editor Kathimerini*  
**N. Skalkotas Hall**

7pm-8.30pm

### GO FOR DEMOCRACY

**Massimo D'Alema** (Italy),  
Prime Minister (1998-2000),  
President of the Foundation  
for European Progressive  
Studies

**Antonis Samaras** (Greece),  
Prime Minister

**Guy Verhofstadt** (Belgium),  
Prime Minister (1999-2008),  
Leader of the Alliance of  
Liberals and Democrats for  
Europe at the European  
Parliament

*Moderated by Béatrice  
Delvaux, editorialist Le Soir,  
Alexis Papahelas, director  
Kathimerini and Claude Weill,  
editor Le Nouvel Observateur*  
**Alexandra Trianti Hall**

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

11am-12.30am

### FOR A EUROPEAN PARTICIPATORY DEMOCRACY?

**Nikos Alivizatos** (Greece),  
Professor of Constitutional  
Law at the University of Athens  
**Hans-Joachim Fuchtel**  
(Germany), Representative for  
the Greek-German  
Representative Assembly

**Bernard Guetta** (France),  
Journalist specialized in  
Geopolitics

**Olga Kefalogianni** (Greece),  
Minister of Tourism  
*Moderated by Elias Maglinis,  
culture editor Kathimerini and  
Vladimir Vasak, reporter Arte*  
**MC 2 Hall**

### PUBLIC BROADCASTING: WHAT FOR?

**Yves Bigot** (France), CEO of the  
global TV network TV5 Monde  
**Peter Economides** (South  
Africa), Director of the Make-A-  
Wish Foundation, Brand  
strategist

**Theodore Fortsakis** (Greece),  
President of the board of the  
Greek National Orchestra and  
Dean of the Faculty of Law of  
Athens

**Pascal Josèphe** (France),  
former General Director of TV  
channels (France 2, France 3,  
La Cinq), President of the  
Media Governance Initiative

**Pantelis Kapsis** (Greece),  
Journalist, Deputy Minister of  
Public Radio and Television  
*Moderated by Alexia Kefalas,  
journalist Kathimerini*  
**MC3 Hall**

### INVESTING IN GREECE: IS THIS REASONABLE?

**Elie Cohen** (France), Economist  
**Aristos Doxiadis** (Greece),  
Economist  
**Kostis Hadjidakis** (Greece),  
Minister of Development and  
Competitiveness  
**Panayota Marceau** (Greece),  
Lawyer at the Paris and Athens Bars  
**Eftichios Vassilakis** (Greece),  
vice-President Aegean Airlines  
**Nicolas Vernicos** (Greece),  
President of the International  
Chamber of Commerce  
**Panagis Vourloumis** (Greece),  
CEO of OTE Telecom (2004-2010)  
**Lionel Zinsou** (France),  
CEO of PAI Partners investment  
funds

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editorialist Le Soir and Babis  
Papadimitriou, editorialist  
Kathimerini*  
**N. Skalkotas Hall**

2pm-3.15pm

### EUROPE TOMORROW:

#### WHAT IF THE NORTH GOT RID OF THE SOUTH?

**Dora Bakoyannis** (Greece),  
Greek MP, Minister for Foreign  
Affairs (2006-2009)  
**Anastasios Giannitsis** (Greece),  
Professor of International Economy  
at the University of Athens, former  
Minister

#### Nadezhda Neynsky

(Bulgaria), MEP, Minister for  
Foreign Affairs (1997-2001)  
**Christos Rozakis** (Greece),  
President of the Administrative  
Tribunal of the Council of Europe

*Moderated by Béatrice Delvaux,  
editorialist Le Soir and Athanasios  
Ellis, editorialist Kathimerini*  
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### IS CULTURE THE LAST SHIELD OF DEMOCRACY?

**Tahar Ben Jelloun** (Morocco),  
Writer  
**Dimitris Dimitrakos** (Greece),

Professor of Political Philosophy  
at the University of Athens  
**Petros Markaris** (Greece),  
Writer and Playwright  
**Takis Theodoropoulos**  
(Greece), Writer  
**Alain Touraine** (France),  
Sociologist  
*Moderated by Elias Maglinis,  
culture editor Kathimerini*  
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### EUROSCPTICISM, RISE OF THE FAR RIGHT: WHOSE FAULT IS IT?

**William Dartmouth** (United  
Kingdom), MEP - United Kingdom  
Independence Party (Ukip)  
**Nikiforos Diamandouros**  
(Greece), European  
Ombudsman (2003-2013)  
**Henry Hermand** (France),  
Administrator for the Terra  
Nova think tank  
**Dimitris Kourkoulas**  
(Greece), Deputy Minister for  
foreign affairs

**Anni Podimata** (Greece),  
Vice-President of the European  
Parliament  
*Moderated by Xenia Kounalaki,  
editorialist Kathimerini and  
Claude Weill, editor Le Nouvel  
Observateur*  
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3.30pm-4.45pm

### EUROPE: WITH OR WITHOUT TURKEY?

**Panos Carvounis** (Greece),  
Representative of the European  
Commission in Greece  
**Anna Diamantopoulou**  
(Greece), President of the  
DIKTYO - Network for Reform  
in Greece and Europe,  
Former Minister and EU  
Commissioner  
**Bernard Kouchner** (France),  
Minister for Foreign and  
European Affairs (2007-2010)  
**Selim Yenel** (Turkey),  
Ambassador of Turkey to the

European Union

*Moderated by Costas Jordanidis,  
editorialist Kathimerini and  
Maroun Labaki, head of Foreign  
Service Le Soir*  
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### ENERGY MARKET: IS THE CONSUMER AGAINST ENVIRONMENT?

**Takis Athanasopoulos**  
(Greece), former CEO of Toyota  
Europe and Public Power Corp  
**Emmanuel Haton** (France),  
Director of European  
Government Affairs, BP plc.  
**Yannis Maniatis** (Greece),  
Minister of Environment,  
Energy and Climate Change  
**Thanassis Martinos** (Greece),  
CEO of Eastern Mediterranean  
Maritime (EastMed)  
*Moderated by Dora Antoniou,  
editorialist Kathimerini*  
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### EUROPE WITHOUT THE EURO?

**Kostas Botopoulos** (Greece),  
President of the Greek financial  
market authority  
**Jean-Marc Daniel** (France),  
Professor of Economics at ESCP  
Europe  
**Gikas Hardouvelis** (Greece),  
Professor of Finance at the  
Department of Banking and  
Financial Management-University  
of Piraeus, Chief Economist and  
Head of Economic Research,  
Eurobank Group  
**Dan O'Brien** (Ireland),  
Economist in Chief at the  
Institute of International and  
European Affairs  
**George Pagoulatos** (Greece),  
Professor of European Politics at  
the University of Athens  
*Moderated by Laurent Joffrin,  
director Le Nouvel Observateur  
and Nikos Xydakis, editorialist  
Kathimerini*  
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5pm-6.15pm

### CORRUPTION, A SCOURGE OF DEMOCRACY

**Maria Damanaki** (Greece),  
European Commissioner for  
Maritime Affairs and Fisheries  
**Eva Joly** (France), MEP  
**Kyriakos Mitsotakis** (Greece),  
Minister of Administrative  
Reform and e-Governance of  
Greece

**Ioannis Spyridon Tentis**  
(Greece), Public Prosecutor of  
the Supreme Court  
*Moderated by Paschos  
Mandravelis, editorialist  
Kathimerini and Claude Weill,  
editor Le Nouvel Observateur*  
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6.30pm-7.30pm

### DEMOCRACY AND GROWTH IN EUROPE: A CHALLENGE FOR BOTH NORTHERN AND SOUTHERN EUROPE

**Mario Monti** (Italy), Prime  
Minister of Italy (2011-2013)  
**Yannis Stournaras** (Greece),  
Minister of Finance  
*Moderated by Sia Kosioni,  
editor-in-chief SKAI TV and  
Claude Weill, editor Le Nouvel  
Observateur*  
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7.30pm-8pm

### FOR A NEW EUROPEAN POLICY

**Kostas Simitis** (Greece),  
President of the Panhellenic  
Socialist Movement and Prime  
Minister (1996-2004)  
*Moderated by Laurent Joffrin,  
director Le Nouvel Observateur  
and Angelos Stangos, editor  
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