



Thessaloniki International Symposium | October 20, 2019

8th THESSALONIKI INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM IN WORLD AFFAIRS

The world in 2020: Governing at a time of ungovernability

Thessaloniki, October 20, 2019 | Olympion, Aristotelous Square 10

Agenda

10:30 Registration

11:00 Welcoming remarks

Dimitris Keridis, *Navarino Network*

Apostolos Tzitzikostas, *Governor of the Region of Central Macedonia*

Konstantinos Zervas, *Mayor of Thessaloniki*

Stavros Andreadis, *Chairman, The Cultural Society of Entrepreneurs of Northern Greece*

11:20 Europe in changing times

Keynote Address

Margaritis Schinas, *Commissioner-designate nominated as European Commission's Vice-President for Protecting our Way of Life covering Migration, Security, Social Rights, Education, Culture and Youth*

Round Table Discussion

Moderator: **Nikos Zaharis**, *Director, SEERC*

Anders Åslund, *Senior Fellow, Atlantic Council, Washington*

1989-2019: Thirty years since the fall of communism-Successes and failures in Eastern Europe

Kevin Featherstone, *Eleftherios Venizelos Professor in Contemporary Greek Studies and Professor in European Politics, London School of Economics*

Brexit and beyond: Europe in the 21st Century

Florian Bieber, *Director, Centre for Southeast European Studies at the University of Graz*

The Never-ending Story: The Western Balkans on the Road to the EU

Discussion



13:15 Populism and the rule of lawKeynote Address

Mirosław Wyrzykowski, *Judge of the Polish Constitutional Court (ret.)*

Moderator: **Henri Bohnet**, *Director, Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung, Greece and Cyprus Office*

András Szalai, *Research fellow, Center for European Neighborhood Studies, Central European University*

Control through Uncertainty: The Expanding Securitization of Political Opposition in Hungary

Discussant: **Anna Diamantopoulou**, *President, "DIKTIO" Network for Reform in Greece and Europe, Athens / former EU Commissioner, Brussels*

Discussion**14:15 Lunch Break****15:00 The wealth of Greece**Keynote Address

Adonis Georgiadis, *Minister of Development and Investment*

Round Table Discussion

Moderator & Discussant: **Anna Diamantopoulou**, *President, "DIKTIO" Network for Reform in Greece and Europe, Athens / former EU Commissioner, Brussels*

George Chouliarakis, *former Alternate Minister of Finance*

Kostas Kostis, *Faculty of Economics and Political Sciences, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens*

Dimitris Keridis, *Member of Parliament*

Discussion**16:45 Turkey, Southeastern Europe and the new refugee crisis**Round Table Discussion

Moderator: **Filios Stangos**, *Journalist*

Dimitris Tsarouchas, *Bilkent University*

EU-Turkey Relations and the Migration/Refugee Challenge



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Zoran Ilievski, *Head of the Political Science Department of the Faculty of Law at Ss. Cyril and Methodius University of Skopje*

EU-Turkey Relations and the Migration/Refugee Challenge, a view from the Western Balkans

Marcus Engler, *Migration Researcher and Consultant, Berlin*

Potentials and risks of the EU's cooperation with neighboring countries in the field of migration policies

Discussion

18:15 Conclusions

18:30 End of the Symposium