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THE DEMOGRAPHIC CRISIS IN GREECE

A powder keg obstructing prosperity?

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DAY 1 - December 11th 2019

20:30	Cocktail reception
21:20	Opening Gala Dinner Welcome by the conference chair: THE ECONOMIST'S FORECAST ON EUROPE'S DEMOGRAPHICS John Andrews , consultant editor, The Economist
21:30	Official inauguration: H.E. the President of the Hellenic Republic Mr Prokopios Pavlopoulos
21:45	Dinner to be served
	Keynote Address: THE DEMOGRAPHIC CRISIS AND IT'S IMPACT ON GREECE'S GROWTH Adonis Georgiadis , minister of development and investments, Greece
	Dessert & coffee to be served

DAY 2 - December 12th 2019

08:30	Arrival of delegates
09:00	Welcome remarks: John Andrews , consultant editor, The Economist THE DEMOGRAPHIC CRISIS IN GREECE TODAY AND TOMORROW * Konstantinos Tasoulas , president of the Hellenic Parliament Panagiotis Theodorikakos , minister of interior, Greece Moderator: Nikos Chatzinikolaou , president of Athens Daily Newspaper Publishers Association, publisher, <i>Real News</i>
09:40	Discussion
10:00	GREECE: THE DEMOGRAPHIC MAP TODAY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What are the most crucial factors that define the situation? • The optimistic and the pessimistic scenarios Athanasios Kyriazis , general secretary for research and technology, professor, Department of Statistics and Insurance Sciences, University of Piraeus Thodoris Georgakopoulos , editorial director, DiaNEOsis
10:15	Discussion
10:30	LOW BIRTH RATE: A MULTI DIMENSIONAL FACTOR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Why has the crisis contributed to the increase of low birth rate? • Is it all about motives? • Should government intervene more in family planning? • The legal aspect Vasileios Petros Spanakis , MP, New Democracy Party Byron Kotzamanis , professor, dept. of planning and regional development, University of Thessaly * Andreas Dracopoulos , president, Stavros Niarchos Foundation (SNF) Demetra Papadopoulou-Klamaris , professor of civil law, Athens University School of Law
10:50	Discussion

11:10 **THE SHIFT IN GENDER ROLES AND FAMILY TYPE:
HOW HAS IT AFFECTED THE BIRTH RATE IN GREECE?**

- Children vs career?
- How is employment interlaced with maternity?
- The radical rise of single parent families
- What is the role of current stereotypes?
- New priorities in the demographic policy

Maria Syrengela, secretary general for family policy and gender equality

Nikos Demertzis, chairman of the BoD, National Centre for Social Research (EKKE)

11:25 Discussion

11:40 Break – Light Snacks to be served

12:30 **IMMIGRATION DURING THE CRISIS:
THE DEMOGRAPHIC PROBLEM INFLAMED**

- Brain drain's impact and aspects

Eliza Vozemberg, member of the European Parliament, vice-chairwoman, Committee on Gender Equality and Women's Rights (FEMM)

Konstantinos Kyranakis, former president, The Youth of the European People's Party, co-founder, Brain Gain

12:45 Discussion

13:00 **THE ROLE OF MUNICIPALITIES AND REGIONS:
INITIATIVES, HOPES AND OBSTACLES**

Olga Kefalogianni, former minister of tourism, Greece, MP, New Democracy Party

* **Alexandros Kachrimanis**, regional governor of Epirus

- Civil society, business and government: building bridges

Stefanos Chandakas, gynaecologist, founder and president of HOPEgenesis

13:15 Discussion

13:30	MEDICINE: BEATING THE ODDS COMBATING LOW BIRTH RATE THROUGH SCIENCE Nikolaos F. Vlahos , professor of obstetrics gynecology and reproductive medicine, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens * Georgios Kreatsas , professor of obstetrics and gynecology, School of Medicine, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
13:45	Discussion
14:00	THE WELFARE STATE IN CRISIS: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How can the social policy be designed within the context of the demographic crisis?• The role of private insurance schemes Ioannis Vroutsis , minister of labour and social affairs, MP for Cyclades, New Democracy party * Effie Achtsioglou , MP, Hellenic Parliament, former minister of labour, social security & social solidarity, Greece Alexander Sarrigeorgiou , chairman & chief executive officer, Eurolife ERB Insurance Group Milton Nectarios , professor, University of Piraeus, chairman, Institute for the Economics of Ageing
14:30	Discussion
14:50	GREECE'S SECURITY AND GEOPOLITICAL CHALLENGES <ul style="list-style-type: none">• How can the geopolitical risks that are related to the demographic crisis be eliminated? * Nikos Panagiotopoulos , minister of National Defence Ippokratis Daskalakis , director of studies and member of the board, Hellenic Institute of Strategic Studies
15:05	Discussion
15:20	Closing session-Conclusions and Discussion CAN THE DEMOGRAPHIC CRISIS BE REVERSED? John Andrews , consultant editor, The Economist Domna Michailidou , deputy minister of Labour and Social Affairs Stefanos Chandakas , gynaecologist, founder and president of HOPEgenesis
16:00	End of conference – Networking Luncheon

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