



SYMPOSIUM 2018 – OPENNESS & ΕΞΩΣΤΡΕΦΕΙΑ
THURSDAY 18 – SATURDAY 20 OCTOBER 2018, DITCHLEY PARK, OXFORDSHIRE

Day 1 Thursday 18 Oct

- from 1800** **Arrivals and check-in**, Ditchley Park and The Bear hotel (link [here](#))
- 1945** **for guests staying at The Bear**, bus departs The Bear hotel for Ditchley Park
for guests arriving on the 1941 train from Oxford or London, transfer from Charlbury station to Ditchley Park
- 2000** **Informal reception**, with welcome and introduction by Lord Hill of Oareford, Ditchley chairman
- 2100** **Informal dinner**
- 2200** **After dinner speech**: Sir Graham Brady, MP & Chair of 1922 Committee
- 2300** **for guests staying at The Bear**, bus departs from Ditchley to The Bear hotel

Day 2 Friday 19 Oct

- 0900** **for guests staying at The Bear**, bus departs The Bear hotel for Ditchley Park
- 0930** **Welcome/Setting the scene** – Costas Mitropoulos, Managing Partner PWC Greece & Co-Chairman Greek-British Symposium

Keynote speeches - Openness & Εξωστρέφεια: UK and Greece
Opening addresses setting the scene and interpretations of the theme from the perspective of UK and Greek leaders

- John Glen, MP, Economic Secretary to the Treasury, UK
- George Chouliarakis, Greek Alternate Finance Minister

1000 – 1130 Session 1:

Looking Outwards Together: Why the UK and Greece still need each other
Exploring the enduring relevance of the UK-Greek bilateral relationship at a time of opportunity and challenge for both.

Moderator: Alexis Papahelas, Executive Editor, KATHIMERINI

Panelists:

- Loukas Tsoukalis, President, Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy
- Alberto Costa, MP, Chairman of APPG Greece



- Kevin Featherstone, Professor of Contemporary Greek Studies and Professor of European Politics, London School of Economics

1130 – 1145 Coffee break

1145 – 1315 Session 2

Economic Εξωστρέφεια: Growing outward-facing economies from exports to investment
How can the Greek and British economies continue to develop outwards, develop export economies and attract international investment?

Moderator: Tony Barber, Europe Editor, Associate Editor, Financial Times

Panelists:

- Peter Mather, Group Regional President, Europe & Head of Country, UK, BP plc
- Vicky Pryce, Economist, Board Member at Centre for Economics and Business Research
- Mujtaba Rahman, MD Europe, Euroasia Group
- Nikos Vettas, Professor of Economics, Athens University of Economics and Business, General Director of IOBE

1315 – 1400 Informal Lunch

1400 – 1500 Session 3: Part I

Regional Εξωστρέφεια: Active foreign policy in the Western Balkans
Exploring current developments, the roles and interests for the UK and Greece, and the aspirations of other regional actors such as Russia and Turkey.

Moderator & lead speaker: Misha Glenny, UK regional security journalist

Panelists:

- Constantinos Filis, Research Director, Institute of International Relations
- Giorgos Koumoutsakos, New Democracy, Shadow Foreign Minister
- Denis MacShane, former Labour MP and Minister for Europe
- Tony Brenton, former UK Ambassador to Russia

1500 – 1600 Session 3: Part II

Regional Εξωστρέφεια: Active foreign policy in the Eastern Mediterranean
Security, migration, energy and geopolitics: the outlook for Greek interests in the near neighbourhood, and the UK's approach.

Moderator & lead speaker: Nikos Konstandaras, journalist, KATHIMERINI

Panelists:

- Angelos Syrigos, Professor of International Law & Foreign Policy, commentator
- Gareth Winrow, independent research analyst and consultant, Eastern Med issues
- Lord Dubs, All Party Parliamentary Group Greece, House of Lords

1600 – 1615 Coffee break



1615 – 1730 Session 4

Finding the balance: Safe Communities, Open Societies

Preserving free and open societies whilst defending against evolving internal and external security threats.

Moderator: James Landale, BBC Diplomatic Editor

Panelists:

- Nikos Dendias, former Minister of Public Order and Citizen Protection
- Pavlos Apostolidis, Honorary Ambassador, former Chief of EYP
- Rashad Ali, de-radicalisation expert, Institute for Strategic Dialogue (ISD)

1730 – 1930 Highlights tour of Ditchley Park (full tour scheduled for Sat pm)
or Free Time

1745 *for guests staying at The Bear* and wishing to return to the hotel before dinner, bus departs from Ditchley to The Bear

1915 *for guests staying at The Bear*, bus returns from hotel to Ditchley

1930 Reception & Formal Dinner

Presentation led by **Kyriakos Pierrakakis, Research Director, DiaNEOsis**, on What Greeks Believe, based on the results of the World Values Survey for Greece.

2200 After-dinner speech: Professor Evangelos Venizelos, MP, Deputy Prime Minister of Greece & Minister for Foreign Affairs, 2013-2015

2300 *for guests staying at The Bear*, bus departs from Ditchley to The Bear hotel

Day 3 Saturday 20 Oct

0900 *for guests staying at The Bear*, bus departs The Bear hotel for Ditchley Park
Guests should checkout of The Bear, luggage should be brought and stored at Ditchley Park

0930 – 1045 Session 5

Harnessing global technology for economic growth

An overview of innovations in key sectors using case studies that showcase UK-Greek partnerships, moderated by George Palikaras, CEO & Founder Metamaterial Technologies

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Presentations & discussion featuring:

- **HEALTH SCIENCES** Konstantinos Dimitriou, Brainomix CFO/CSO
- **BLUE ECONOMY** Michael Synodinos, Managing Director, Scalable Project Ltd.
- **ED-TECH** Byron Nicolaidis, Founder & President, PeopleCert



- **SHIPPING** Daniel Ng, CEO and Founder, CyberOwl
- **SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP** Effie Kyrтата, Founder & CEO, Reload Greece

1045 – 1100 Coffee break

1100 – 1230 Session 6

Open Academia: linking up higher education research to business development

Looking at models for increasing collaboration between universities, innovation ecosystems and companies.

Moderator & lead speaker: Michael G. Jacobides, Sir Donald Gordon Chair of Entrepreneurship & Innovation, London Business School

Panelists:

- Will Hutton, Principal of Hertford College, University of Oxford, and Chair of the Big Innovation Centre
- Dimitrios Dimitriou, Professor Associate, Transportation planning management and economics, and Chairman of the BoD Athens International Airport
- Kimon Daniilidis, General Manager, Hellenic Research Centre for Metals (ELKEME, VIOHALCO)
- Evi Christophilopoulou, Democratic Coalition MP

1230 – 1300

Cultural Εξωστρέφεια: country branding and influence in the 21st century

Guest speaker: Stathis Kalyvas, Gladstone Professor of Government at the Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford, fellow of All Souls College

1300 – 1430 Informal lunch & Closing Remarks: Symposium Co-Chairman

1500 Tour of Ditchley Park for guests who wish to stay on

And/or transfers to Charlbury for those travelling onwards by train (possible departure times; 1509, 1607, 1704, 1804)

1800 Bus from Ditchley Park to Heathrow Airport (by pre-arrangement only)