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## CONVERGENCES GREECE FORUM

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# April 2nd: Sessions programme

	Room A	Room B	Room C
09:00 - 10:00	<b>Registration</b>		
10:00 - 11:30	<p><b>Green Cities</b></p> <p><b>Organizers:</b> UN SDSN GREECE, Hellenic-French Chamber of Commerce</p> <p><b>Moderator</b> <b>Phoebe Koundouri</b> Professor Athens University of Economics and Business, Director Climate KIC, Co-chair UN SDSN.</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> <b>Lenio Myrivili</b> Vice-Mayor for the Environment <b>Dr. Efi Tritopoulou</b> General Manager City Post   <b>Pr. Dora Trachana</b> Uni.Fund   <b>Konstantinos Machairas</b> Organization Earth   <b>Olga Hadzidaki &amp; Maria Thallia</b> Carras Locus Athens   <b>Marianthi Liapi</b> Serafeio Makerspace and Transformable Intelligent Environment of TEI Crete   <b>Eric Scotto</b> President Akuo Energy   <b>Dr. Kostas Andriosopoulos</b> President Hellenic Association for Energy Economics   <b>George Kremlis</b> Honorary Director of the European Commission and Chair of the Espoo Bureau</p> 	<p><b>Climate and cities: challenges and solutions</b></p> <p><b>Session Leaders:</b> Bank of Greece</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> <b>Theodora Antonakaki</b> Bank of Greece, Climate Change Impacts Study Committee (CCISC)</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> <b>Christos Zerefos</b> Professor, Member of the Academy of Athens   <b>Anastasios Xepapadeas</b>, Professor, Athens University of Economics and Business, University of Bologna   <b>Andreas Papandreou</b>, Co-chair SDSN Greece, Professor, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens   <b>Dr. Evangelos Gerasopoulos</b>, Research Director, National Observatory of Athens, Director of the Greek GEO Office (Hellenic Group on Earth Observations)</p> 	<p><b>Employability opportunities for socially excluded people</b></p> <p><b>Organised by:</b> Solidarity Now</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> <b>Ioanna Pertsinidou</b> Social Worker, Solidarity Now</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> <b>Pola Nikolaou</b> President of "Eu zin" COOP   <b>Amalia Zepou</b> Deputy Mayor for Civil Society and Innovation Municipality of Athens <b>Dimitris Ziomas</b> National Center for Social Research   <b>Panagiotis Frangos</b> New Horizons COOP   <b>Dimitris Xondros</b> Archipelagos COOP <b>Chris Alefantis</b> Shedia   <b>Xenofon Kappas</b> Captain Vassilis &amp; Carmen Constantakopoulos Foundation   <b>Eleni Kontonasiou</b> Head of the Social Economy Register of the Ministry of Labour</p> 
11:30 - 12:00	<b>Coffee Break</b>		
12:00 - 13:30	<p><b>Resilience in Attica</b></p> <p><b>Organised by:</b> Academy of Athens</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> <b>Kostas Synolakis</b> Professor, Natural Hazards Management</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> <b>Lenio Myrivili</b> Vice-Mayor for the Environment   <b>Konstantina Skanavi</b> Environmental Education <b>Iordanis Loizos</b> Former Mayor of Marathonas   <b>Thomas Maloutas</b> Social Scientist</p> 	<p><b>Active Citizenship and employability: needs, responsibilities and convergences!</b></p> <p><b>Interactive and participatory session Fish bowl!</b></p> <p><b>Organised by:</b> Action Aid</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> <b>Gerasimos Kouvaras</b> General Manager Action Aid</p> 	<p><b>Platani SOS</b></p> <p><b>Organised by:</b> Constantine Mitsotakis Foundation</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> <b>Katerina Christofilidou</b> Environmental journalist</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> <b>Dr. Gregory Varras</b> Forester Associate Professor   <b>Evangelos D. Protopapadakis</b> D.Phil, Assistant Professor of Applied Ethics, Director of the NKUA Applied Philosophy Research Lab   <b>Tsiakiris Rigas</b> Forester, PhD, MSc Ecology Scientific Consultant of the Deputy Minister G. Dimaras   <b>Dr Kalliopi Stara</b> Researcher on Cultural Ecology Laboratory of Ecology, University of Ioannina</p> <p><b>Sponsored by</b> <b>K'ARCHER</b> makes a difference</p> 
13:30 - 14:30	<b>Lunch Break</b>		

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14:30- 16:00	<p><b>Sustainable Development Goals: the new common language</b></p> <p><b>Organised by:</b> Hellenic Platform for development</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> <b>Dinos Machairas</b> President of the Greek Platform for Development</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> <b>Maria Lekakou</b> Professor University of the Aegean   <b>Maria Androutsou</b> Mayor of Ag. Dimitrios Municipality   <b>Nouli Manoli</b> M. Vardinogianni Foundation   <b>Pakis Papademetriou</b> Manager Corporate Quality Athens International Airport, Vice President CSR Hellas   <b>Jochen Sandig</b> Artist, Cultural Entrepreneur and co-founder of the World Human Forum</p> <p> </p>	<p><b>Synergies for positive impact!</b></p> <p><b>Organised by:</b> Impact Hub</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> <b>Sophie Lamprou</b> Co Founder Impact Hub</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> <b>Sofia Keramida</b> Embassy of Sweden in Athens   <b>Elena Lamprou</b> Impact Hub Athens   <b>Athina Maria Tzioka</b> European Village   <b>Mpety Tsakarestou</b> Panteion University   <b>Tzouli Panagou</b> Director Market Management and Communication Allianz   <b>Alexandros Kampouroglou</b> Athens Partnership Executive Director</p> <p></p>	<p><b>Resilience and sustainability in small island communities</b></p> <p><b>Organised by:</b> Hellenic Society for the Protection of Nature and Cyclades Preservation Fund</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> <b>Annie Mitropoulou</b> Fund Director Cyclades Preservation Fund</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> <b>Alexia Nikiforaki</b> Hellenic Society for the Protection of Nature   <b>George Mantakas</b> Institute of Mediterranean Forest Ecosystems   <b>Kostas Katagas</b> Apano Meria Syros Coop   <b>Iosif Stefanou</b> Apano Meria Syros Coop   <b>Elissavet Papazoi</b> Environmental Park of Paros   <b>Eugenia Tsianou</b> Alchemia Nova</p> <p></p>
16:00 - 16:30	<b>Coffee Break</b>		
16:30 - 18:00	<p><b>Zero Waste: Can we do it?</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> <b>Pavlos Tsimas</b> Journalist</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> <b>Filippos Kirkitsos</b> Ecological Recycling Society   <b>George Dimarelos</b> Deputy Mayor for urban resilience Thessaloniki   <b>Sissy Iliopoulou</b> Public Affairs and Communications Manager Coca Cola   <b>Ioanna Dretta</b> CEO Marketing Greece   <b>Fran Vargas</b> Plastikourgeio Founder</p> <p> Sponsored by </p>	<p><b>Microfinance in the microscope! Interactive panel</b></p> <p><b>Interactive and participatory session</b></p> <p><b>Organised by:</b> Action Finance Initiative.</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> <b>Babis Papadimitriou</b> Journalist</p> <p> Sponsored by </p>	<p><b>On the path of sustainable development: Greece as an alternative travel destination</b></p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> <b>Dimitris Michelogiannis</b> Chief development officer of the region of Crete   <b>Foivos Tsaravopoulos</b> Co-founder of the "Footpaths of Greece" Coop   <b>Aris Theodoropoulos</b> Mountain guide, writer of climbing guides   <b>George Klaoudatos</b> Mountain ski instructor, Entrepreneur   <b>Triantafyllos Adamakopoulos</b> Civil engineer, Cartographer</p> <p></p>
18:15-19:00	<b>"I am a Mayor, I am not a superhero" John Boutaris Mayor of Thessaloniki</b>		
19:00	<b>Closing Speech Vivian Onano</b>		



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