

PROGRAMMEⁱ

COMMITTEE ON REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT Delegation to GREECE (Thessaloniki & Athens)

19 & 20 September 2016

Monday morning 19 September 2016

THESSALONIKI

Individual arrivals of the Members and the staff to Thessaloniki the evening before, on 18 September 2016

The Hotel in Thessaloniki chosen for the delegation:

HOTEL MAKEDONIA PALACE

2, Megalou Alexandrou Avenue,
GR-54640, Thessaloniki, Greece

Tel: (+30) 2310 897197 / Fax: (+30) 2310 897211

Email: reservations@makedoniapalace.gr

<http://www.makedoniapalace.com/>

08:00 - 09:00 - Project Visit: Sea Front Project

Main interlocutors:

- Mr Konstantinos Belibassakis, General Manager for Technical services, Municipality of Thessaloniki / Sea Front Project Manager
- Mrs Lina Liakou, Deputy Mayor for Urban Resilience and Development Planning

Meeting at Makedonia Palace Hotel with the Project Manager of the Sea Front Project & short presentation and site inspection.

Venue: Sea Front Promenade, Thessaloniki

09:15 - 11:00 - Project Visit: Metro

Main interlocutors:

- Mr George Konstantinidis, Attico Metro Thessaloniki Project Manager
- Mrs Lina Liakou, Deputy Mayor for Urban Resilience and Development Planning

Site inspection of the Metro Stations under construction (University station and Venizelou station) & short presentation from the Project Manager.

Possible topic for discussion:

- How to manage project started under previous financial period and still ongoing?
- What additional sources for the final achievement?

Venue: University metro station and Venizelou metro station, Thessaloniki

11:15 - 12:15 - Meeting with Mr Yannis Boutaris, Mayor of Thessaloniki & Thessaloniki Project Managers

Main interlocutors:

- Mr Yannis Boutaris, Mayor of Thessaloniki
- Mr Apostolos Tzitzikostas, Region of Central Macedonia
- Mr Lazaros Kyrizoglou, President of Regional Association of Municipalities of Central Macedonia
- Mr George Konstantinidis, Attico Metro Thessaloniki Project Manager
- Mr Panayiotis Mitrakos, Head of Administration/Finance Section, Thessaloniki Airport
- Mrs Ioanna Evstathopoulou, Head of Special Service for Public Works (EYDE) in Northern Greek Airports
- Mrs Lina Liakou, Deputy Mayor for Urban Resilience and Development Planning

Meeting at the Municipality of Thessaloniki with the Mayor of Thessaloniki, representatives of Central Macedonia region, Thessaloniki's Deputy Mayors, Project Managers of all three projects and other related experts.

Possible topic for discussion:

- Projects financed under 2007-2013 and current financial period in Thessaloniki area
- Difficulties in the implementation of projects, suggestions for the future - Success and failures: lessons learned

Venue: Thessaloniki City Hall, Vasileos Georgiou street 1, 546 40

12:15 -12:45 - Coffee break & Meeting with the Press

Venue: Thessaloniki City Hall, Vasileos Georgiou street 1, 546 40

13:15 -13:30 - Project Visit: Thessaloniki Airport

Main interlocutors:

- Mrs Ioanna Evstathopoulou, Head of Special Service for Public Works (EYDE) in Northern Greek Airports
- Mr Ioannis Voyatzis, Deputy Airport Manager, Hellenic Civil Aviation Authority
- Mr Georgios Karras, Head of Airport Operations Section
- Mr Panayiotis Mitrakos, acting Head of Administration/Finance Section, Thessaloniki Airport

Site inspection of the Airport Project.

Venue: Thessaloniki airport "Macedonia", 55103 Kalamaria, Thessaloniki

14:30 - 15:20 - Flight Thessaloniki - Athens - A3 115 19SEP 1 SKGATH 1430 1520

Monday afternoon 19 September 2016

ATHENS

15:45 - Transfer from the airport

16:30 - 18:00 - Protocol visit to the Deputy Prime Minister Mr Dragasakis

Main interlocutors:

- Mr Ioannis Dragasakis – Deputy Prime Minister
- Mrs Stavroula Manoli, Head of Office
- Mr Yiannis Eustathopoulos, Special Adviser to the Deputy Prime Minister, Coordinator of the Government Council on Social Policy
- Mr Dimitris Kontofakas, Adviser to the Deputy Prime Minister, currently serving as Coordinator of the Government Council on Economic Policy

The Deputy Prime Minister will provide an overview of the current situation as well as future prospects and possible challenges for the Greek economy and society.

Possible topics for discussion:

- Common Provision Regulation amendment for Greece in 2015 and his follow-up and ongoing work on the CPR amendment 2016

Venue: 10, Zalogosta Street, Syntagma, 106 71 Athens

18:00 – 19:30 - Working meeting with Minister and Deputy Minister of Economy, Development & Tourism Mr Stathakis and Mr Charitsis

Main interlocutors:

- Mr Georgios Stathakis – Minister of Economy, Development & Tourism
- Mr Alexis Charitsis – Deputy Minister of Economy, Development & Tourism

Possible topic for discussion:

- ESIF in Greece in the current and previous programming periods. Lessons learned and challenges ahead.
- Use of additional financial facilities following CPR amendment for Greece.

Venue: 5-7, Nikis str., Syntagma Square, Athens, 101 80, 3rd floor, office 305

19:30 - Transfer to the hotel & individual dinners

The Hotel in Athens chosen for the delegation:

HOTEL N.J.V ATHENS PLAZA

2, Vasileos Georgiou A' str., Syntagma square, Athens,

Tel: +30 21 0335 2400 / Fax: +30 210 32 35 856

E-mail: welcome@njvathensplaza.gr

<http://www.njvathensplaza.gr/en/default.html>

Tuesday 20 September 2016

ATHENS

07:45 - Departure from the hotel

08:00 - 09:30 - Meeting with Structural Reforms Support Service

Main interlocutor:

- Mr Frank Van Driessche, SRSS Coordinator for Greece, European Commission

Topics for discussion:

Experiences of the SRRS Athens office in

- providing overall technical assistance to the Greek authorities
- providing support to the governance of ESIF and other EU investment tools

Q&A session

Venue: SRSS premises, 1st floor, 132 Peiraio street, 105 64 Athens

10:00 - 11:30 - Project Visit with representatives of EIB: JESSICA project: “Design, Construction, Financing and Facility Management of 24 school buildings in the region of Attica”

<http://www.eib.org/products/blending/jessica/>

Main interlocutors:

- Mr Nicholas Jennett, Deputy Director General, Head of Investment Team Greece (tbc)
- Mr Elias Papageorgiou, JESSICA Holding Fund Officer
- Mr Christos Kontogeorgos, Deputy Adviser, Lending Operations in Greece (tbc)
- Mr Yorgos Aronis, EIB Head of Office in Greece

Possible topic for discussion:

- EIB support for Urban Development and cooperation with national financial intermediaries and national and local authorities
- Use of JESSICA instrument in Greece, lessons learned

Venue: 7th primary and 6th nursery school in Gerakas: 11B, Aisopou Str, Gerakas, Municipality of Pallini

12:00- 13:00 - Press Conference

Venue: EP information office, 8 Leof. Amalias, GR-105 57 Athens

13:00 - 14:30 - Lunch break

15:00 - 16:30 - Meeting with Ms Maria Logotheti, Head of Athens Mayor's Office & Project Visit: InnovAthens

<http://www.eib.org/products/blending/jeremie/index.htm>

<http://www.innovathens.gr/innovathens-en-2/>

Main interlocutors:

- Ms Maria Logotheti, Head of Athens Mayor's Office
- Mr Alexandros Dimitrakopoulos, European Investment Fund, Mandate Management
- Mr George Tziralis, partner in JEREMIE Openfund
- Mr Konstantinos Bitzanis, CEO of Tecnopolis City of Athens
- Mr Antonis Ekonomou, Director, Tecnopolis City of Athens
- Mrs Sophia Manika, Site Manager, InnovAthens
- Mrs Monica Kassani, Communication Manager, InnovAthens

Meeting with Ms Maria Logotheti and visit of InnovAthens: INNOVATHENS is part of the regional operational program 'Attica 2007-2013 ', Priority Axis (2): " Sustainable development and improving quality of life" of "Attica 2007-2013", co-financed from the European Regional Development Fund

Possible topic for discussion:

- Use of EU Funds in Athens area - InnovAthens case, Innovation Hub
- JEREMIE funds' focus on early stage

Venue: InnovAthens, Pireos 100, 118 54 Athens

17:00 - 18:30 - Meeting with Mr Yiorgos Gavrilis, Vice-Governor of the Attica Region & Project Visit: Theatre of Piraeus

Main interlocutors:

- Mr Yiorgos Gavrilis, Vice-Governor of the Attica Region
- Mr Yiannis Moralis, Mayor of Piraeus (tbc)
- Mr Nikos Diamantis, Artistic Director of the Municipal Theatre of Piraeus

Possible topic for discussion:

- ESIF added value for cultural infrastructure in Greece. Lessons learned and possible ideas for the future.

Venue: Municipal Theatre of Piraeus, Leof. Iroon Politechniou 32, 185 35 Piraeus

19:00 End of the Delegation, transfer to the hotel and/or individual departures

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