

Draft program
Conference on “Road to Recovery”

09 February 2024

09:00-13:30 (EET)

ATHENS, Greece

Location : Athenaeum Intercontinental Athens

Interpretation: EN EL

08:30 Registration of participants

09:00-09:10 Welcome by

Vangelis MEIMARAKIS MEP, Vice-Chair of the EPP Group responsible for the relations with the National Parliaments, Head of the Greek Delegation in the EPP Group

09:10-09:20 Introductory remarks by

Siegfried MUREŞAN MEP, Vice-Chair of the EPP Group,
Chairman of the Working Group for Budget and Structural Policies

09:20-09:40 Opening speech

Margaritis SCHINAS, Vice-president of the European Commission, European Commissioner for Promoting our European Way of Life

09:40-10:50 **Panel I**

RRF investments to boost a green, digital and resilient economy and promote social cohesion

Moderated by

Anna-Michelle ASIMAKOPOULOU MEP, Member of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (ECON) and the Committee on Budgets (BUDG)

Opening by

Olgierd GEBLEWICZ, President of the EPP Group in the European Committee of the Regions (CoR) and President of West Pomerania Region

Speakers:

Kostis HATZIDAKIS, Minister of National Economy and Finance

Theodoros SKYLAKAKIS, Minister of Environment and Energy

Sofia ZACHARAKI, Minister of Social Cohesion and Family Affairs

Stavros PAPASTAVROU, Minister of State

Debate

10:50-11:20 Coffee Break

11:20-12:30 **Panel II**

The role of regional and local authorities in the design and implementation of the Recovery Plan

Moderated by

Jan OLBRYCHT MEP, Vice-Chair of the EPP Group

Intervention by

Maria SYRENGELA MP, Secretary of the Political Committee of Nea Demokratia

Opening by

Rob JONKMAN, Alderman of the municipality of Opsterland, Netherlands, Member of EPP-CoR, Rapporteur for the opinion on the implementation of the Recovery and Resilience Facility

Rafał TRZASKOWSKI, Mayor of Warsaw, Poland, Member of EPP-CoR

Speakers:

Niki KERAMEUS, Minister of the Interior

Akis SKERTSOS, Minister of State

Apostolos TZITZIKOSTAS, Governor of Central Macedonia, First Vice-President of the CoR, Member of EPP-CoR

Debate

12:30-13:30 Political debate

Moderated by:

Siegfried MUREȘAN MEP, Vice-Chair of the EPP Group, Chairman of the Working Group for Budget and Structural Policies

Speakers:

Kyriakos MITSOTAKIS, Prime Minister of the Hellenic Republic, President of Nea Demokratia

Andrej PLENKOVIĆ, Prime Minister of Croatia

Manfred WEBER MEP, Chairman of the EPP Group in the European Parliament

Closing remarks

Vangelis MEIMARAKIS MEP, Vice-Chair of the EPP Group responsible for the relations with the National Parliaments, Head of the Greek Delegation in the EPP Group

13:30 Lunch

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