REPORT
“Road to Recovery”
8-9 February 2024, Athens, Greece

Background

In July 2022, the EPP Group Presidency approved the EPP Group Outreach and Communication on the Management of the Resilience and Recovery Facility for EPP Mayors, regional and local representatives that consists of dedicated events throughout Europe and a High-Level event in Brussels. The series of events is organized under the title “Road to Recovery”.

The events are organized in strong cooperation with the EPP Group in the European Committee of the Regions (CoR) under the coordination of Siegfried MUREȘAN, Chairman of the WG on Budget and Structural Policies, and Vangelis MEIMARAKIS, Vice-Chairman of the EPP Group responsible for the relations with CoR, as well as with the respective head(s) of national delegation.

After earlier events in Warsaw, Lisbon, Zagreb, Košice, Leipzig and Barcelona, the seventh event of the series took place in Athens, Greece, on 8-9 February 2024, gathering around 400 local and regional EPP leaders from Greece.
Thursday, 8 February 2024

The organizers and speakers, together with the Greek delegation in the European Parliament, had the opportunity for a first exchange during a working dinner hosted by Vangelis MEIMARAKIS, Vice-Chairman of the EPP Group responsible for the relations with CoR in the presence of Chairman Manfred Weber. Both parties delivered introductory speeches offering thus both the Greek and European perspective on the RRF. Throughout the dinner, our speakers engaged into a debate on various topics related to our event, amongst which the challenges around the RRF in Greece, the synergy with other funds, and the state of play of the RRF in the countries best known by our speakers, whilst also giving an overview of our project.

Friday, 9 February 2024

Welcome

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, welcomed the attendees and noted the strong presence of EPP representatives from the EU, both from an international and a national level. He underscored the importance of the upcoming EU elections as a unique opportunity to shift focus to Europe, and emphasized the European Parliament’s role as the only directly elected body, urging the citizens to vote in favour of Europe.

![Image of Vangelis MEIMARAKIS speaking at a podium with a 'Road to Recovery' backdrop]
Introductory remarks

Siegfried MUREŞAN MEP, Vice-Chair of the EPP Group, Chairman of the Working Group for Budget and Structural Policies, praised Greece’s economic achievements over the last five years, emphasizing the increase in investments, economic growth, and successful privatization. After outlining the purpose of the RRF, he commended Greece’s proficient utilization of RRF funds, particularly in green initiatives, digitalization, social cohesion, and support for SMEs, and lauded the involvement of local leaders in the absorption process. While cautioning against socialist and populist approaches, he reaffirmed the EPP’s commitment to ensuring Greece stays on its pro-business and pro-European trajectory.
Loucas FOURLAS MEP, Member of the Group Bureau Committee and Heads of National Delegation Committee, emphasized the power and support derived from the European family and highlighted the importance of a strong EPP in the upcoming EU elections to ensure a robust and united Europe.
Opening speech

Margaritis SCHINAS, Vice-President of the European Commission, European Commissioner for Promoting our European Way of Life, addressed a series of unprecedented challenges Europe has faced since December 2019, including the pandemic, wars, and hybrid attacks. He highlighted the EU’s resilience and its response through generous solutions, breaking taboos, and uniting the EPP political family. He stressed the RRF as a key component, focusing on the new economy and skills. He emphasized Greece’s success in spearheading RRF implementation, which included effectively addressing regional necessities such as anti-flood measures. Additionally, he dispelled misconceptions about the Greek plan by underscoring its extensive societal backing and substantial allocations for SMEs. Looking ahead to European elections, he called for providing solutions to citizens’ concerns and confronting those seeking destruction, positioning the EPP as the embodiment of the Europe of solutions.
Panel I: RRF investments to boost a green, digital and resilient economy and promote social cohesion

Anna-Michelle ASIMAKOPOULOU MEP, Member of the Committee on Economic and Monetary Affairs (ECON) and the Committee on Budgets (BUDG), lauded the cooperation between EPP and asked the panellists about absorption, the demographic issue in Greece, and how the RRF funds are used in the various projects.
Sofia ZACHARAKI, Minister of Social Cohesion and Family Affairs, highlighted the strategic utilization of the RRF to address personal assistance and infrastructure gaps, emphasized the allocation on funds for personal assistance and skill development for the Roma community, and underscored the importance of customizing the RRF for citizens.
Kostis HATZIDAKIS, Minister of National Economy and Finance, highlighted eight key achievements in Greece’s economic landscape, placing particular emphasis on four of them. First, the successful economic transformation, shedding the negative image of the country. Second, the impressive growth with a rate of more than triple the European average. Third, the swift fulfilment of 50% of electoral promises, despite challenges such as natural disaster. Fourth, the regained investment-grade rating, resulting in reduced borrowing costs for citizens. Lastly, he concluded by emphasizing Greece’s leading position in Europe for support from cohesion funds and RRF achieved through successful negotiations by the ND party, underscoring the crucial need to maintain high absorption rates and meet strict RRF deadlines to drive additional investments and elevate Greece towards the European average, aligning with the mandate’s mission.
Theodoros SKYLAKAKIS, Minister of Environment and Energy, stressed the urgent need for a global shift in environmental adaptation. Highlighting Greece’s significant costs, he called for a stricter stance globally, advocating for 75% renewables in energy generation using RRF funds. Moreover, he emphasized a pro-consumer approach, benefiting households and enterprises, and underscored the importance of adapting the energy system to new demands. He highlighted that reforms, not merely funds, are pivotal in catalysing mid-term GDP change, emphasizing their crucial role in responding to current challenges in both growth and climate.
Stavros PAPASTAVROU, Minister of State, reflected on the historical significance of the ninth EPP Congress and its impact on the party’s values. He emphasized ND and EPP’s pro-European stance and their role in Greece’s EU membership, commending ND’s economic growth strategy with a social focus in digital and green era. Concerning foresight and long-term planning, he noted the establishment of a secretariat, emphasizing its proactive approach to crisis prevention. Highlighting a foresight initiative within the European context, he connected it to current challenges such as migration and Frontex. Lastly, he underscored Greece’s recognition by the European Commission for Foresight and asserted the EPP’s role as a protagonist in strategic planning.
Panel II: The role of regional and local authorities in the design and implementation of the Recovery Plan

Olgierd GEBLEWICZ, President of the EPP Group in the European Committee of the Regions, President of West Pomerania Region, stressed the EPP’s role as the largest party in the CoR. He emphasized the crucial connection between local and regional involvement and economic prosperity, highlighting the effectiveness of a strong EPP government that values local and regional authorities.
Maria SYRENGLA MP, Secretary of the Political Commitee of Nea Demokratia, delivered an introductory speech ahead of the panel discussion. She emphasized the ND’s strong support for European integration and highlighted the party's endorsement of the RRF to address the pandemic's impact. She stressed the RRF’s importance as a tool for all Member States, particularly highlighting the significant role of regional and local authorities. She provided examples such as digital transformation, urban planning, environmental issues, and building refurbishment, stressing the need for close collaboration between national, regional, and local governments in Greece.
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, praised the RRF for addressing pandemic challenges and commended Greece’s national plan. He emphasized the vital role of local authorities, suggesting a shift towards decentralization and stressing continuous awareness of the RFF’s importance at all levels based on the principles of subsidiarity and multi-level governance. He also called for integrating the territorial dimension in the European Semester and prioritizing long-term sustainability, using Greece as a model for fostering a greener and digital economy.
Rafał TRZASKOWSKI, Mayor of Warsaw, Poland, Member of EPP-CoR, emphasized the positive shift in Warsaw after winning against eight years of populist government. Stressing the importance of local and regional authorities in restoring order and upholding the rule of law, he highlighted the challenges posed by the pandemic, conflicts on the eastern border, and attempts to change the tax code. He urged support from the political family and EU institutions to counter populism. Regarding the RRF, he called for a tailored plan for Poland, citing the need for flexibility due to recent events like the Ukrainian refugee crisis. He requested a deadline extension to 2026 and emphasized the necessity of collaboration for successful climate action, job creation, and modernization, particularly involving local and regional authorities in planning and directing financial assistance. Priorities for the Polish plan include increased investment in green energy, transportation, and housing projects.
Jan OLBRYCHT MEP, Vice-Chair of the EPP Group, emphasized the existence of three categories of EU funds, including the “regular” funds for research and transport, the Cohesion Policy focused on structural and regional funds, and the COVID-induced RRF. Notably, RRF introduces a unique approach where funds are not pre-allocated, but rather tied to achieving specific outcomes, with a short deadline until 2026. He asked the Greek panellist about the challenge of implementing the 67 RRF-mandated reforms, emphasizing the trust dynamics between the national and local governments in Greece.
Niki KERAMEUS, Minister of the Interior, discussed leveraging the RRF for progress, emphasizing central-local collaboration, and highlighted two key pillars: a 600 million EUR investment in road safety across 154 municipalities and the need for multi-layer governance clarification. She illustrated challenges citizens face in seeking help and stressed the importance of a regulatory framework to enhance efficiency and productivity at all levels, promoting a united effort to improve citizens’ lives through quality services.
Akis SKERTSOS, Minister of State, emphasized the crucial difference between previous social cohesion projects and the RRF. Stressing the critical importance of eligibility and conditionality for accessing EU funds, he underscored the need for commitment to both investment and reform, highlighting challenges from the past such as inadequate governance, fund management, and lack of vision. Moreover, he emphasized the significance of a favourable regulatory environment and collaboration with local administration to achieve success. In this regard, he praised the dedicated agency established to replace previous technical-level management for efficient RRF implementation. Drawing lessons from past crises, he focused on the topic of transparency through a platform for citizen and media monitoring.

Apostolos TZITZIKOSTAS, Governor of Central Macedonia, First Vice-President of the CoR, Member of EPP-CoR, stressed the vital role of local and regional leaders in the European Parliament, and emphasized the complementary nature of the RRF and cohesion funds, contrasting Greece’s inclusive approach with other countries excluding regions. In his praise for Greece’s integrated plan, he highlighted its success through effective planning and collaboration with national ministries, underscoring the importance of a bottom-to-top approach. He affirmed Greek regions’ dedication to working with the national government and EU institutions to address citizens’ actual issues, envisioning a future of European development built from the grassroots level to the top.
Political debate

Siegfried MUREŞAN MEP, Vice-Chair of the EPP Group, Chairman of the Working Group for Budget and Structural Policies, opened the political debate, sketching the successes of both Greece and Croatia in terms of the RRF and highlighting the EPP as the biggest political force.

Kyriakos MITSOTAKIS, Prime Minister of the Hellenic Republic, President of Nea Demokratia, highlighted the significance of the RRF as a crucial EU response to the pandemic. He referenced a letter co-signed in 2020, emphasizing the unexpected nature of the agreement that countered Eurosceptics, with the EPP leading the way. He stressed the importance of a detailed plan aligned with EU priorities, such as the twin transition, social cohesion, and competitiveness, and acknowledged governance structure challenges, with a focus on Greek ownership in reforms and transparency. In addition, he attributed the transformative step to EPP leadership.
Andrej PLENKOVIĆ, Prime Minister of Croatia, highlighted Croatia’s success in utilizing the NextGenerationEU initiative, acknowledging its pivotal role in positioning the country at the forefront, particularly in linking available funds to GDP. He outlined effective funds management, emphasizing their swift response to the 2020 earthquake in Zagreb and strategic investments in education, health, and energy infrastructure. Furthermore, he underscored Croatia’s successful integration into the Eurozone and Schengen, along with the country’s smooth implementation of the RRF, ultimately contributing to economic growth. He concluded by noting that NGEU has significantly affected countries like Croatia, promptly leveraging the initiative for robust economic development.
Manfred WEBER MEP, Chairman of the EPP Group in the European Parliament, highlighted the EPP’s identity as a party of strong leaders. He emphasized Greece’s success history under Mr MITSOTAKIS and the EPP common values such as internal communication, trust-building, and responsible fund utilization. He praised the EPP’s commitment to the rule of law, citing its role in Poland and Croatia. Looking to the future, he proposed the main principles of prioritizing the continent’s economic strength for global competitiveness and establishing a strong defence pillar for internal peace. Lastly, he asserted that the EPP has proven itself as a reliable and capable leader in Europe through its handling of COVID and the Ukraine conflict.
Siegfried MUREŞAN MEP, Vice-Chair of the EPP Group, Chairman of the Working Group for Budget and Structural Policies, asked Mr MITSOTAKIS about the opportunities for the private sector and SMEs and the need for more flexibility regarding the deadline of 2026.

Kyriakos MITSOTAKIS, Prime Minister of the Hellenic Republic, President of Nea Demokratia, emphasized aligning funds with GDP, praised Greek businesses’ response to low-interest loans for productivity, and highlighted flexibility for climate issues, emphasizing justice alongside financial considerations. Moreover, he acknowledged the strict deadline and conditionality in borrowing, emphasizing the goal of timely fund absorption for maximum economic impact.

Siegfried MUREŞAN MEP, Vice-Chair of the EPP Group, Chairman of the Working Group for Budget and Structural Policies, asked Mr PLENKOVIĆ about how RRF funds can support individuals and businesses for a greener, more digital and competitive Croatia. He also investigated the active involvement of local and regional authorities to ensure the RRF plan transcends politics and becomes a national initiative.

Andrej PLENKOVIĆ, Prime Minister of Croatia, mentioned that Croatia has combined EU Solidarity Fund with reallocated RRF funds, using them in complementarity with cohesion funds, education infrastructure, and digital and green elements. He also emphasized the need for flexibility in the MFF revision debate, highlighting varying enthusiasm among countries like Italy and Slovakia versus reluctance in Sweden and The Netherlands, and mentioned expected funds in 2024.

Siegfried MUREŞAN MEP, Vice-Chair of the EPP Group, Chairman of the Working Group for Budget and Structural Policies, asked Mr WEBER about differences in EPP plans on reforms and competitiveness compared to the left's emphasis on spending without addressing issues. He also explored Weber’s perspective on the economy, enterprises, and people, considering it from an EPP standpoint.

Manfred WEBER MEP, Chairman of the EPP Group in the European Parliament, emphasized the EPP’s focus on long-term, sustainable investments and the importance of education for the future, highlighting the EPP’s commitment to collaboration and listening to people on the ground rather than just lecturing. He stressed the significance of promoting European solidarity, highlighting the EU budget as crucial for investments, and underlined the next five years’ historical importance.
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, thanked the organizers, speakers, and everyone involved. Reflecting on the historical significance of Nea Demokratia, the party that guided Greece into the European Union, he commended the exemplary leadership provided by Prime Minister Kyriakos MITSOTAKIS. He underscored his pivotal role in navigating Greece through crucial milestones and highlighted the role of Vice-president of the European Commission, Margaritis SCHINAS and the election of a Greek president to the Council of Europe as a demonstration of the country’s influential presence on the European stage. He underscored the importance of voting in the European elections to ensure a strong representation of EPP leaders within the EU institutions. In conclusion, he stressed Neo Demokratia’s pro-European orientation.

For more information about the event and the video recording, please access www.road2recovery.eu.
Annex I: Programme

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
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12:30-13:30 Political debate

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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

Location: Aphrodite, Athenaeum Intercontinental Athens
Annex II: Social media posts

EPP Group @EPPGroup - 6h
This year’s first #RoadToRecovery conference takes place today in Athens.
We welcome the opening speech by @MargSchiavan and interventions by @kmitisotakis, @AndreiPenikovsky and @ManfredWeber.
Watch LIVE: epp.group/0unm67sx

EPP Group @EPPGroup - 5h
One of the goals of the Recovery Plan in Greece is to create a more competitive and greener production model with a more efficient and digitalised state.
This is also the topic of our first panel at the #RoadToRecovery Conference in Athens.
Watch LIVE: epp.group/0unm67sx

EPP Group @EPPGroup - 5h
“The plan put forward by @kmitisotakis will make the Greek economy greener and more digital. It will support growth and create jobs”, says MEP @SMuresan.
The Greek Recovery Plan estimates a 7% in GDP growth by 2025.
LIVE from Athens: epp.group/0unm67sx
#RoadToRecovery

EPP Group @EPPGroup - 4h
Regional and local authorities have a crucial role in using Recovery and Resilience Facility funds.
We will discuss this topic in the second panel of our #RoadToRecovery Conference in Athens.
LIVE: epp.group/0unm67sx

EPP Group @EPPGroup - 4h
Amounting to €36 billion in grants and loans, Greece’s Recovery and Resilience Plan has responded to the urgent need to foster a strong recovery.
The role of regional and local authorities in the design and implementation of the Recovery Plan
"Greece is a good example of how fast implementation and inclusive governance bring the best results", says @JanOibrchyct.

Join us at the #RoadToRecovery Conference, where we look at regional authorities’ involvement in Recovery Plans.

LIVE: epp.group/0urnb7ux

Our #RoadToRecovery Conference in Athens continues with speeches by @kmitsola and @AndrePenkovic and @ManfredWeb.

Watch LIVE

Conference on the "Road to Recovery", Athens. After Lisbon, Zagreb, Kosice, Leizig and Barcelona the "Road to Recovery" Conference is coming to...

"RFF is helping to deliver the green and digital transition in the wake of the challenges brought by Covid", says MEP @AnnaAndroulaki.

Today at our #RoadToRecovery Conference, we delve into Greece’s Recovery Plan Greece 2.0.

Join us LIVE: epp.group/0urnb7ux

Greece has fully embraced the opportunities RRF provides, with plans to channel over €36 billion through its Greece 2.0 plan and is leading the way in its rollout of the scheme.
EPP Group 🇪🇺 @EPPGroup - 6m
The latest stop on our #RoadToRecovery was Athens.

We met with national, local and regional representatives to discuss their role in implementing the RRF.

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Kyriakos Mitsotakis and 3 others

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Greece’s Recovery Plan, Greece 2.0, predicts:
- €36 billion in loans and grants
- 180,000 new jobs
- 7% real GDP growth by 2026

Watch the whole event here: epp.group/0unvb7sx

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EPP Group in the European Parliament is met Manfred Weber en 5 anderen.

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#RRF #RoadToRecovery #EUfunds #pandemic #Greece #economy #investments #EUGreenDeal
#EU #EuropeanUnion #EPPGroup #EuropeanParliament
We have to take into account the concerns of local and regional authorities in order for them to fully absorb the potential of the #RRF to the benefit of their localities. Regions need to be further supported at the technical level as funds need to be absorbed by 2028. @MargSchinas

@OGeblewicz speaks on #RRF investments to boost a green, digital & resilient economy and promote social cohesion while @trzaskowski, @trzaskowale and @robbenman tackle the role of regional and local authorities in the design and implementation of the Recovery Plan.

From expanding its renewable capacity, to its first national offshore wind park development and expanding electricity interconnections between islands, 🇬🇷 is taking full advantage of the #RRF with its ‘Greece 2.0’ Plan with concrete projects of clear added-value. @OGeblewicz
#EPPGroup CoR

#Greece has taken great efforts in creating public ownership involving all stakeholders in a timely and good manner. This pays off!

The RRIF is not about short-term injections but rather an opportunity to create a lasting impact on the economy, society, and environment. @robertkram

When it comes to fighting @ClimateChange, creating jobs and achieve the digital transition, we need to engage local and regional authorities. We are the ones on the ground, who are in touch with the people, the ones who invest and know how to absorb funds. @tomaszarkowski

Recovery will be achieved working in partnership with all levels of governance. #RRIF and #cohesion funds will bring Europe closer to citizens with our cities and regions driving forward Europe’s sustainable recovery. @tzitzikostas @ELUCoR @RoadToRecovery @EPPGroup
Siegfried Muresan • @SMuresan • 6h

"The voice of mayors needs to be heard. We want citizens to know how ARRF funding is being spent. This is why we are working together with mayors. Because they know best what their communities need." - I said today at the BEPPGroup and BEPPCell #RoadToRecovery event in Athens.

#Greece is the first of the 27 Member States in the absorption of ARRF funds. In terms of its GDP, I said today at #RoadToRecovery event, Greece is now stronger and credible at EU level. This gives capacity to the Greek government to obtain good things for the people of Greece.

Siegfried Muresan • @SMuresan • 5h

Great pleasure to celebrate European success policies and instruments with @EPP people.
@AndrejPlenkovic, a great Prime Minister who achieved great things for his country
@OGeblewicz, many thanks for our cooperation in organising the #RoadToRecovery conferences.

Olgierd Geblewicz • @OGeblewicz • 3h

@EPP the only political party in Europe that works hand in hand at all levels:
- European @SMuresan @EPPGroup
- National PM @AndrejPlenkovic
- Regional and local @EPPCoR ...

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Σας προσκαλούμε στο Συνέδριο „Road to Recovery“

Παρασκευή 9 Φεβρουαρίου
09:00-13:30
Athenaeum Intercontinental
(Δωρεάν Σύμπλοκο 89-93, Λιθουανία)

Στην εκδήλωση θα μιληθούν:
ο Πρωθυπουργός της Ελληνικής Κυβέρνησης και
ο Πρωθυπουργός της Κροατίας Andrej Plenković

vmeimarakis Σας προσκαλούμε και σας περιμένουμε στην εκδήλωση "Road to Recovery", που διοργανώνεται από το Ευρωπαϊκό Λαϊκό Κόμμα και τη Νέα Δημοκρατία, στο Athenaeum Intercontinental Athens, την Παρασκευή 9 Φεβρουαρίου στις 09:30 μ.μ.

vmeimarakis Η συμμετοχή μας, κλείνοντας τις εργασίες της εκδήλωσης "Road to Recovery", που συνδιοργάνωσε η Νέα Δημοκρατία και το Ευρωπαϊκό Λαϊκό Κόμμα, παρουσία του Πρωθυπουργού Κυριάκου Μητσοτάκη, του Πρωθυπουργού της Κροατίας Αντρέι Πλένκοβιτς και του Προέδρου του ΕΛΚ Μάνφρεντ Βέμπερ.

vmeimarakis Με επιτυχία πραγματοποιήθηκαν οι εκδηλώσεις του Ευρωπαϊκού Λαϊκού Κόμματος σε Αθήνα και Θεσσαλονίκη, με κεντρικό θέμα το Ταμείο Ανάκαμψης. Ο Πρωθυπουργός Κυριάκος Μητσοτάκης, ο Πρωθυπουργός της Κροατίας Andrej Plenković, ο Πρόεδρος του ΕΛΚ Manfred Weber, ευρωπαίοι δημιουργοί, υπουργοί της Ελληνικής Κυβέρνησης και βουλευτές συζήτησαν για τα χρηματοδοτικά εργαλεία που παρέχουν στην κρίση η Ευρωπαϊκή Ένωση για την ανακάμψη και θεωρίαση των οικονομικών τους. Το Ευρωπαϊκό Λαϊκό Κόμμα, κατοχήν και δικής μας πρότασης, επέλεξε την Ελλάδα για την έναρξη της προεκλογικής περιόδου των ευρωεκλογών, θα ακολουθήσουν και άλλες εκδηλώσεις και κυρίως το προεκλογικό Συνέδριο του Ευρωπαϊκού Λαϊκού Κόμματος στο Βουκουρέστι 5 με 7 Μαρτίου.
Miło usłyszeć od Premiera Chorwacji, @plenkovic.andrej „Olgierd, the best Marszałek in Europe 🇵🇱 Gateway frien from West Pomerania”. Tak się pochwałę, ale... wiele lat przyjaźni z chorwackimi Żupanami robi swoje😊. Wspaniała okazja do spotkania, dzięki wymyślonym przez Wiceprezydenta @epp @siegfriedmuresan i wspartym przez @manfred.weber spotkaniam władz lokalnych i regionalnych, krajowych i europejskich #roadtorecovery 😊. Bo EPP to jedyna partia w Europie oparta na silnych fundamentach lokalnych. Dziś od rana w Atenach dzięki👉 przyjaciółom, a wieczorem w Świnoujściu na dorocznym spotkaniu prezydenta @zmurkiewiczjanusz😊 @epp_cor @eppgroup
Margaritis Schinas @MargSchinas · 2h
Σήμερα με @EPPGroup @ManfredWeber @v_meimarakis στην Αθήνα για τον «Δρόμο της Ανάκαμψης» 3,5 χρόνια μετά την ιστορική απόφαση ιδρύσης του Τομείου Ανάκαμψης.

Με @kmitsotakis @AndrejPlenkovic τους πιο επιτυχημένους Πρωθυπουργούς στην αξιοποίηση των σχετικών πόρων.

Μαζί!

Margaritis Schinas @MargSchinas
Always a pleasure to work with @ManfredWeber.

Grateful for his support to our European Way of Life priorities and leadership of the @EPPGroup as a constructive force in the fight against populism.

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Με τον Πρόεδρο του Ευρωπαϊκού Λαϊκού Κόμματος και επικεφαλής της Κοινοβουλευτικής Ομάδας του στο Ευρωπαϊκό Κοινοβούλιο, Manfred Weber, συζήτησαμε για τη στρατηγική του ΕΛΚ ενάντια των ευρωπαικών και για ετήσια παρουσία του αμέσως της ΕΕ και τις προκλήσεις που αντιμετώπιζε.
Manfred Weber @ManfredWeber - 2h
Growth, Stability, Progress.

Good to be back in Athens. 😊

Congratulated @MinFinGreece Mitsotakis on the economic success that he has achieved thanks to his leadership and vision. Happy to discuss the European elections and the important decisions Europe will be facing.

Manfred Weber @ManfredWeber - 2h
Greece is back! It’s a success story, thanks to @kmitsotakis.

I am sure the Greek example will convince people in Greece and all around Europe that in the next 5 years, Europe will be in good hands under EPP leadership.

Manfred Weber @ManfredWeber - 3h
Good talk with PM @AndrejPlenkovic Croatia’s accession to Schengen and the eurozone under his leadership is a step into a transformative future. A true success story unfolding in Croatia, thanks to his visionary approach.

Manfred Weber @ManfredWeber is with Kyriakos Mitsotakis in Athens, Greece.

Growth, Stability, Progress.

Good to be back in Athens! 😊

Congratulated Prime Minister Kyriakos Mitsotakis on the economic success that he has achieved thanks to his leadership and ambition. Happy to discuss the European elections and the important decisions Europe will be facing.
Για την κυβέρνηση της ΝΔ, ισχυρή οικονομία και ανάπτυξη σημαίνει, και ισχυρή κοινωνική συνοχή. Πολύτιμο έργο αυτό είναι το Ταμείο Ανάκαμψης για το οποίο συζητήσαμε σήμερα στην εκδήλωση «Ο δρόμος προς την Ανάκαμψη» που διοργανώνεται από το Ευρωπαϊκό Λαϊκό Κόμμα EPP Group in the European Parliament & EPP Group in the European Committee of the Regions και τη ΝΔ ΝΕΑ ΔΗΜΟΚΡΑΤΙΑ στην Αθήνα σήμερα και αύριο στη Θεσσαλονίκη. Το ποσό των 400 εκατομμυρίων ευρώ θα διαθέσει μόνο το Υπουργείο Κοινωνικής Συνοχής και Οικογένειας για ενεργητικές πολιτικές ένταξης και αποκατάστασης. Αυτούς τους βασικούς στόχους σημείασε σήμερα το πρώτο σε μια συγκνημητική προσωπική στιγμή καθώς η νεολαία του ευρωπαϊκού λαϊκού κόμματος YEPP και η ιθαγενής τους οργάνωση European Democrat Students ήταν ενα από τα πρώτα μεγάλα μαθήματα πολιτικής σκέψης, ενεργός δράσης και έξοχος στόχος του Ελληνικού κράτους. Και σήμερα έχει την εξέλιξη χαρά με πολλές και πολλές από τους τόπου συνοδευόμενες να βρεθώμε στην ίδια οικογένεια δίνοντας τες μόχες του παρόντος και του μέλλοντος.
Σήμερα στο συνέδριο του Ευρωπαϊκού Λαϊκού Κόμματος @EPPGroup στην Αθήνα συζητώντας για την υλοποίηση των έργων του Ταμείου Ανάκαμψης στην Ελλάδα αλλά και για τις επερχόμενες Ευρωεκλογές. Συγχαρητήρια στους διοργανωτές για το εξαιρετικό συνέδριο! @askertos @atzitzikostas @JanOlbrycht @robjonkman

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Annex III: News coverage

MEP Weber in Athens / Ο ευρωβουλευτής Weber στην Αθήνα

Parapolitika FM - 09 Feb 2024 - [ Radio Broadcast Time 14:16, Duration 1 ]
Parapolitika FM reports on the visit of EPP Chair and MEP Manfred Weber (Germany) in Athens, for the event held by EPP and ND. On the occasion of his visit, Weber met with Greek PM Kyriakos Mitsotakis and made statements, praising Greece and Mitsotakis himself for the course of the Greek economy.

MEP Weber in Athens for EPP event / Ο ευρωβουλευτής Weber στην Αθήνα για εκδήλωση του ΕΛΚ

SKAI - 09 Feb 2024 - [ Video Broadcast Time 14:28, Duration 3 ]
Skai TV news bulletin reports on the visit of EPP Chair and MEP Manfred Weber (Germany) in Athens, for the event held by EPP and ND. On the occasion of his visit, Weber met with Greek PM Kyriakos Mitsotakis and made statements about the EP resolution about the rule of law in Greece. Weber said that Greece has taken important steps towards dealing with its rule of law issues and pointed at the EC, which has confirmed the said progress. According to Weber, EPP is seriously considering abstaining from such votings at the EP. Finally, Weber criticised SYRIZA MEPs for voting a resolution that could result in Greece losing EU funding. (Proto Programma, Sto Kokkino, Kontra, Open TV, ANT1, Star Channel, ERT1, Mega TV, all media sources)

Mitsotakis at the ND-EPP event: The goal is to create 200,000 new jobs / Μητσοτάκης στην εκδήλωση ΝΔ–ΕΛΚ:
Στόχος να δημιουργηθούν 200.000 νέες θέσεις εργασίας

enikos.gr - 09 Feb 2024 - Web
During his speech at the ND-EPP Group meeting entitled “The Road to Recovery”, Greek PM Kyriakos Mitsotakis set the goal of creating 200,000 new jobs. The event is attended by Mitsotakis, EPP MEPs Manfred Weber (Germany) and Siegfried Mureşan (Romania). Weber stated that they are currently unable to open the "box (of benefits)". Regarding the EP’s resolution on the rule of law and the press freedom in Greece, Weber stated that Greece has made significant progress in rule of law issues.

K. Mitsotakis in ND-EPP event: The goal is to create 200,000 new jobs / Κ. Μητσοτάκης στην εκδήλωση ΝΔ – ΕΛΚ:
Στόχος η δημιουργία 200.000 νέων θέσεων εργασίας

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Speaking at the joint ND-EPP event in Athens, Greek PM Kyriakos Mitsotakis (EPP, Greece) set the goal of creating 200,000 new jobs. EPP EP Group Chair Manfred Weber (Germany) also participated in the debate, which was moderated by MEP Siegfried Mureşan (Romania, EPP). In his address, Weber noted that the EPP had put a halt to the “unreasonable demands of the left”. The EPP Chair underlined that economic stability must be maintained and advised against “opening the box” of benefits.
**Weber: Recovery is here, Greece is faring better than Germany and this has to do with its leadership** / Βέμπερ: Η ανάκαμψη είναι εδώ, η Ελλάδα καλύτερη από τη Γερμανία και αυτό έχει να κάνει με την ηγεσία της

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**Weber on recovery: Greece is doing much better than Germany** / Βέμπερ για ανάκαμψη: Η Ελλάδα τα πάει πολύ καλύτερα από τη Γερμανία

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**New Democracy wraps up joint events with EPP in Athens and Thessaloniki** / Νέα Δημοκρατία: Ολοκληρώθηκαν οι εκδηλώσεις με το ΕΛΚ σε Αθήνα και Θεσσαλονίκη

The “Road to Recovery” events in Athens and Thessaloniki, organised by New Democracy (ND) and the EPP, were completed on 10 February. EPP EP Group Chair Manfred Weber (Germany) attended the event in Athens, with MEP Siegfried Mureșan (Romania, EPP) as the debate’s moderator. The EPP events in Athens and Thessaloniki were organized on the initiative of ND MEP Vangelis Meimarakis (EPP, Greece) in collaboration with other ND officials.
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In his address to the EPP event held in Athens, ND MEP Vangelis Meimarakis (EPP, Greece) warned that if populist and the extreme parties gained large power on the next EP, it would be very difficult to achieve an agreement on the bloc’s leadership, including the EP presidency, as well as on common policies. “Therefore, we must not let those who are populist, extreme and anti-Europeanists prevail,” Meimarakis underlined. He called on Greek citizens to participate in June’s EE and to vote for New Democracy, which he called the “European party par excellence”.

In his address to the EPP event held in Athens, ND MEP Vangelis Meimarakis (EPP, Greece) underlined that loose vote should not be an option in the upcoming EE and instead called on citizens to support the European forces, such as ND, which should have a large representation. For his part, MEP Siegfried Mureșan (Romania, EPP) applauded Greece for having become “a model of good governance in Europe”. Mureșan underlined that Greece is stronger, exerts greater influence and enjoys greater trust in Europe, noting that this was thanks to the work done by Greek PM Kyriakos Mitsotakis.
Manfred Weber: Recovery is here, Greece is better than Germany and this has to do with its leadership / Μ.

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Νέες δημοσιεύσεις στο πλαίσιο ανακατάσκεψης και ανακωχής.

Νέο κείμενο στο πλαίσιο ανακατάσκεψης και ανακωχής με τίτλο "Ο Δήμος προς την Αντιπροσώπη ". Το παρόν έργο έρχεται και στο κατασκευαστή της Κηφισιάς, Μεσογείων.


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