

HELEXPO DIALOGUES

Forum for Green & Smart Energy and Circular Economy

SCHEDULE

Thursday 13th of March 2025 - Pavilion 15

1st Section 10:00 – 12:30

Sector: German-Hellenic Chamber of Industry and Commerce



Ελληνογερμανικό Εμπορικό
και Βιομηχανικό Επιμελητήριο
Deutsch-Griechische
Industrie- und Handelskammer

Title: "The Future of Packaging: The EU Directive on Packaging and Packaging Waste (2025/40) and Market Best Practices."

Speakers:

- **Ioannis Antonopoulos**, Policy Officer at European Commission DG ENV
- **Prof. Konstantinos Aravossis**, Vice President of the Regulatory Authority for Waste, Energy and Water, Chairperson of the Waste Thematic Section, Professor NTUA, UNESCO Chair in Green Innovation and Circular Economy
- **Kostas Athanasiadis and Athanasios Sfikas**, Members of the Committee Waste Management, German-Hellenic Chamber of Industry and Commerce.
- **Lefteris Tourasanidis**, Vice President AGMPM (ΣΥΒΙΠΥΣ) and R&D Director at A.Hatzopoulos S.A.
- **Nikos Diamatis**, Dipl. Production & Management Engineer, Secretary General of BoD, Hellenic Biomass Association (HellaBiom)

Coordinator: Sotiris Mylonas, President of the Waste Management Committee of Hellenic-German Chamber of Commerce and Industry

2nd Section 12:40 – 14:40

Sector: Regulatory Authority for Waste, Energy, and Water (RAEWW) – Energy Sector



Title: "Maximizing the Penetration of RES in Island Systems within the Framework of Energy Transition and Island Decarbonization: Today and Tomorrow"

Welcome Address: Dimitrios Furlaris, Vice President of RAAEY, Energy Sector

Greeting: Dimitrios Furlaris, Vice President of RAAEY, Energy Sector

Speakers:

Part A: Introductory Remarks

- **Eleni Stergiopoulou**, Special Scientist, RAAEY
- **Dr. Dionysios Papachristou**, Special Scientist, Director of the RAAEY Communication Office
- **Ioannis Malafis**, Mayor of Chios

Part B: Roundtable Discussion

- **Dimitrios Furlaris**, Vice President of RAAEY, Energy Sector
- **Konstantinos Vlachos**, Representative of the General Secretariat of ESPA
- **Kostas Komninos**, CEO of DAFNI AOTA S.A.
- **Theodora Patsaka**, Director of Island Management, DEDDIE S.A.
- **Pelopidas Kalliris**, Administrator of the Special Service for Just Development Transition (TBC)

Coordinator: **Dr. Dionysios Papachristou**, Director of the RAAEY Communication Office

3rd Section 15:00 – 17:00

Sector: Hellenic Solid Waste Management Association (HSWMA)



INTRODUCTION 15:00-15:20

- **Welcome:** Representative of HELEXPO
- **Opening Address:** Georgios Iliopoulos, President of HSWMA
- **Coordinator:** Prof. Nicolaos Moussiopoulos, Vice President of International Relations & President of the EBE HSWMA

DISCUSSION 15:20-16:30

Title: **New Nationwide Bottle Deposit Return System, Effective Implementation**

Title: **Landfill Tax, Fair Implementation**

Speakers:

- **Manolis Grafakos**, Secretary General for Waste Management Coordination of Ministry of Environment & Energy
- **Stratos Simopoulos**, Special Permanent Committee on Research and Technology
- **Prof. Konstantinos Aravossis**, Vice President RAAEY
- **Alexandra Togia**, CEO of EOAN
- **Konstantinos Zervas**, Chairman of the Circular Economy Committee of KEDE
- **Michalis Geranis**, President of FODSA KM
- **Andreas Loukatos** Vice President of SEPAN

HSWMA EBE ACTIVITY 16:30-17:00

With:

- **Nicolas Moussiopoulos**
- **Anna Michou**
- **Giorgos Perkoulidis**
- **Athanasios Savvakis**
- **Sofia Christoforou**



18:00

Inauguration Ceremony of the Forward Green & Renewable EnergyTech Exhibitions

Friday 14th of March 2025 - Pavilion 15

1st Section 10:30 – 14:00

Sector: Energypress



Title: Challenges and Opportunities in the RES and Energy Storage Sector

Speakers:

- **Pantelis Biskas**, Professor, AUTH
- **Sotiris Kapellos**, President of the Hellenic Association of Photovoltaic Companies
- **Zisimos Mantas**, Board Member of ELETAN
- **Stelios Loumakis**, President of SPEF
- **Giannis Panagis**, President of POSPIEF
- **Thaleia Valkouma**, President & CEO of FARIA
- **Kostas Baslis**, Chairman of the Board of Optimus Energy, HERON Group

Coordinator: Thodoris Panagoulis, Journalist, Director of Energypress

Title: Self-Generation and Storage: Opportunities in 2025 for the Energy Transition of Businesses

Speakers:

- **Dionysis Anargyros**, Managing Director, Greenvolt Next
- **Nikos Sifakis**, AENAOS Energy Systems, Secretary of the Hellenic Association of Photovoltaic Companies
- **Konstantinos Moraitidis**, Vice President of the Thessaloniki Chamber of Commerce & Industry (EBETH)

Coordinator: Thodoris Panagoulis, Journalist, Director of Energypress

Title: **Moving Towards the Creation of a Hydrogen Market in Greece and Europe**

Speakers:

- **Mr. Dimitris Triantafyllopoulos**, CEO of Hellenic Hydrogen, in conversation with Energypress Director, journalist Thodoris Panagoulis.

Intervention – Comment:

- **Nikos Davos**, Co-Founder & Manager of the Cluster of Bioeconomy & Environment of Western Macedonia (CLUBE)

Coordinator: **Thodoris Panagoulis**, Journalist, Director of Energypress

Title: **Recycling of Photovoltaics and Batteries: The New Challenge for Old and New Investors**

Speakers:

- **Alexandra Sofia Togia**, CEO of EOAAN
- **Stelios Psomas**, Energy Consultant, Hellenic Association of Photovoltaic Companies (SEF)
- **Dr. Dionysis Bountouvas**, CEO of COMBATT A.E.

Coordinator: **Michalis Mastorakis**, Journalist

Title: **The Renewable Energy Markets of Romania, Bulgaria, and the Wider Southeastern European Region**

Speakers:

- **Rumen Petrov**, Representative of the Bulgarian Solar Association, Bulgaria
- **Mihai Irene**, Representative of the Romanian Photovoltaic Industry Association (RPIA), Romania
- **Mariyana Yaneva**, Vice President of APSTE (Association for Production, Storage, and Trading of Electricity), Bulgaria

Coordinator: **Panos Kefalas**, Research Lead Expert – Southeastern Europe, Aurora Energy Research

2nd Section 14:15 – 16:15

Sector: Green Fund



Greeting: **Ioannis Androulakis**, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Green Fund

Title: "Presentation of Green Fund Financing Programs"

Speaker:

- **Christina Lefkarou**, Financial Management Executive of Green Fund Projects

Title: "Financial Tools for the Implementation of Circular Economy".

Speakers:

- **Simeon Diamantidis**, President of SEVE-Greek Exporters Association
- **Chrysanthi Kiskini**, Director of the Regional Development Fund of Central Macedonia
- **Konstantinos Gioutikas**, Vice Governor of Thessaloniki
- **Stella Psarropoulou**, Officer at Alexandria Innovation Zone S.A.
- **Eleni Gioti**, Senior Advisory Coordinator, European Investment Bank
- **Alexandros Karydis Karandreas**, Executive at Sporos Platform

Coordinator: **Kellie Koligiorga**, Head of Communications, Public Relations, Events Planning & Social Media Management of Green Fund and **Dimitris Homatidis**, Circular Economy Expert of Green Fund

3rd Section 16:30 – 18:30

Sector: "Regulatory Authority for Waste, Energy, and Water (RAEWW) – Water Sector".



Title: The Regulatory Responsibilities of RAEWW in Water Management: The Present and the Future

Speakers:

Part A: Introductory Remarks

- **Prof. Dimitrios Psychogios**, Vice President of RAAEY, Water Sector

Part B: Roundtable Discussion

- **Charalambos Sachinis**, CEO, EYDAP (Athens Water Supply and Sewerage Company)
- **Anthimos Amanatidis**, CEO, EYATH (Thessaloniki Water Supply and Sewerage Company)
- **Georgios Marinakis**, President, Hellenic Union of Municipal Water and Sewerage Companies (EDEYA)
- **Dimitrios Vafeiadis**, President, General Organization for Land Improvement (GOEV) of Thessaloniki-Lagadas Plain
- **Petros Vasileiou**, President, Local Organization for Land Improvement (TOEV) of Zervochorio

Coordinator: **Agis Papadopoulos**, Professor, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki (AUTH), Former Member of RAE

Saturday 14th of March 2025 - Pavilion 15

1st Section 10:00 – 14:00

Sector: Radio Thessaloniki



Title: **GO GREEN: HOW AND WHEN**

10:10: **Greeting from a representative of the Management of TIF-HELEXPO**

10:15 – 11:00:

Title: **Energy Challenges – Is the Green Transition Feasible at the Current Pace?**

- 10:15-10:30: **Giannis Maniatis**, Member of the European Parliament and Former Minister of Environment, Energy, and Climate Change (Online)
- 10:30-10:45: **Kostis Stambolis**, President of the Institute of Energy for Southeast Europe
- 10:45-10:55: **Alexandra Sdoukou**, Deputy Minister of Environment & Energy (pre-recorded message)
- 10:55-11:10: **Petros Tsikouras**, Secretary-General of the Panhellenic Federation of Photovoltaic Producers (POSPIEF)

11:05 – 12:30:

Title: **The Future of Recycling – Circular Economy Actions and Projects in Central Macedonia – The Role of Local Government**

- 11:10-11:25: **Giannis Androulakis**, President of the Green Fund
- 11:25-11:45: **Michalis Geranis**, President of the Central Macedonia Solid Waste Management Agency (FODSA) and **Eleni Dellaporta**, Deputy Head of the Department of Operational Planning and Research
- 11:45-12:00: **Konstantinos Gioutikas**, Deputy Regional Governor of Thessaloniki



12:00 – 12:30:

Title: **Local Government and the Green Transition**

- **Stelios Aggeloudis**, Mayor of Thessaloniki
- **Lazaros Kyrizoglou**, President of the Central Union of Municipalities of Greece (KEDE) and Mayor of Ampelokipoi-Menemeni
- **Ignatios Kaitezidis**, President of the Regional Union of Municipalities of Central Macedonia and Mayor of Pylaia–Chortiatis

12:30 – 14:00:

Title: **Businesses and Organizations Implementing the Green Transition**

- 12:30-12:45: **Androniki Voumvoulaki**, Egnatia Odos AE
- 12:45-13:00: Representative from Helleniq Energy
- 13:00-14:00: Discussion

2st Section 14:15 – 16:15

Sector: **OTA VOICE**



Title: **Water Management and Local Government – Water Scarcity and Leakage of Water Resources**

Speakers:

- **Lazaros Kyrizoglou**, President of the Central Union of Municipalities of Greece and Mayor of Ampelokipi-Menemeni
- **Sakis Arnaoutoglou**, Member of the European Parliament
- **Kostas Gioutikas**, Deputy Regional Governor of Thessaloniki
- **Andreas Stergiou**, President of Network of Cities with Lakes and Mayor of Argitheia
- **Anthimos Amanatidis**, CEO of EYATH
- **Pantelis Tsakiris**, Board member of KEDE - Mayor of Oraiokastros

Coordinator: **Athanasios Mpeltsos**, manager of OTAVOICE.GR