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This year, the American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce celebrated nine decades of contribution to the Greek business environment and Greek-US bilateral trade. Reflecting on its accomplishments to date, the plethora of milestones under its belt and its growing portfolio of bold initiatives, the Chamber recognizes that its role today is as relevant as ever and reasserts its commitment to keep advocating for better business, commerce and investment across the board and to further enhancing commercial and financial relations between the United States and Greece.

The Chamber has been a driving force in shaping the Greek business environment and promoting US-Greek business and trade for almost a century. Having been part of that effort for the past 13 years, I have seen first-hand how much can be accomplished through determination, perseverance and vision, through the hard work and commitment of our team, and most of all through believing in our country's potential. I'm proud of everything AmChamGR has achieved in these 90 years—and as each passing year adds to the Chamber's momentum, I look forward to the new initiatives, actions and achievements that lie ahead.

— Elias Spirtounias, AmChamGR Executive Director

AmCham, during all these years, has built a strong business community and promoted the highest standards of business conduct, transparency in business culture and integrity. It has been an influential representative of all our companies and a trusted partner of our government!

— Yannis Vrettos, Managing Director SE Europe, Abbott Diagnostics
Abbott Laboratories Ελλάς AEBE (member since 1963)



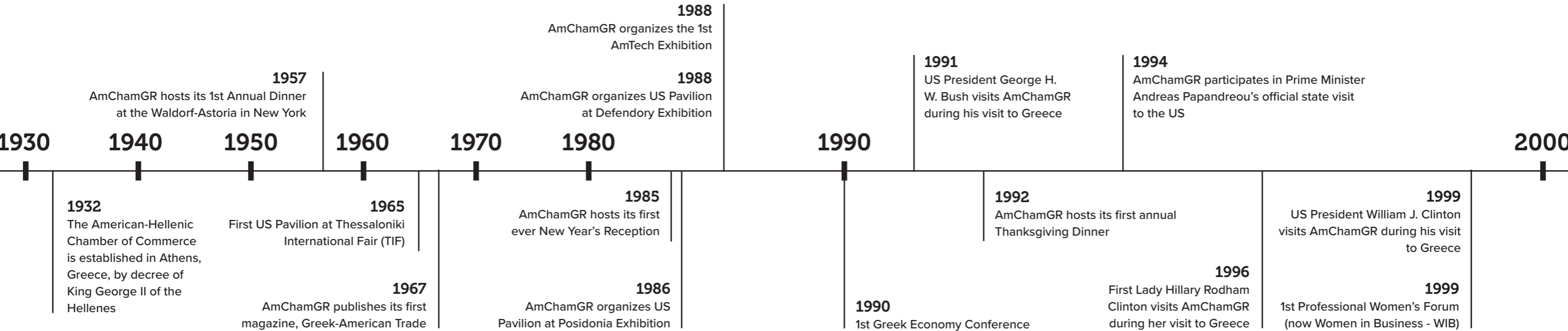
Throughout time and around the world, private sector initiative has always played a vital role in driving growth, progress and prosperity. Businesses, entrepreneurs and various professional groups and corporate associations have always claimed their place at the forefront of scientific and technological innovation, social change and political reform, and efforts to address major issues for the benefit of society as a whole. In Greece, the American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce has been among the most active and

vocal business associations leading efforts to increase trade and investment between Greece and the United States, improve the legislative and policy framework, empower private sector growth through support of innovation and best practices, promote corporate responsibility, and bolster the economy for the benefit of all. The American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce was established in 1932 in Athens, Greece, with a mission to foster commercial, financial and business relations between Greece and the United States. Steadily growing over the years—in membership as

well as in significance in and contribution to the country's business and economic landscape—the Chamber has resolutely pursued its mission, becoming one of the largest, most active and dynamic American Chambers in Europe. Also referred to as Am-

I want to congratulate the American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce on its 90th anniversary. AmCham Greece has been one of the most active American Chambers in Europe and plays a vital role in promoting innovative technologies in the country. IBM Hellas S.A. is one of the oldest members of the chamber (since 1963), contributing in Greece's continuous modernization.

— Spyros Poulidas, CEO, IBM Greece and Cyprus
IBM Ελλάς AE (member since 1963)



Cham Greece or AmChamGR, it has become a household name among the Greek business and entrepreneurship community and is also known and respected far beyond the country’s borders for its unrelenting commitment to fulfilling its mandate. Working through a number of highly focused sectoral groups—24 committees and

Throughout its 90-year history, the American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce has been instrumental in promoting a robust and healthy business environment in Greece, as well as creating a transatlantic bridge for the continuous improvement of US-Greek commercial and financial relations. I look forward to working together to further advance the strong bond between the two countries, and I wish you success in your future endeavors.

— George J. Tsunis, United States Ambassador to Greece

the Institute on Economic Policy and Public Governance—the Chamber harnesses the knowledge, knowhow and expertise of its people and members to develop and implement a range of pertinent initiatives, give its membership a voice at the table in top-level discussions, engage with senior decisionmakers and promote policies and actions that contribute to bolstering trade and commerce between the US and Greece. In its daily operations, the Chamber supports its members in navigating the complex local and international trade environment, affords them access to its many services and resources and promotes their best interests, while at the same time working to create opportunities for further growth and development across economic sectors and deploying ef-

As AmChamGR members, we applaud the Chamber’s contribution to the strong and longstanding business and travel relations between Greece and the United States. It is an honour for Delta Air Lines to be one of the oldest members of the Chamber and a privilege to work with all other members, building strong ties and partnerships with the United States.

— Yiannis Pantazopoulos, Regional Manager Greece, Cyprus and Turkey Sales Division Air France, KLM and Delta Air Lines Greece, Cyprus ,Turkey Delta Airlines (member since 1962)



For 90 years, AmChamGR has been a trustworthy partner in developing bilateral relations between Greece and the US. In a broader sense, though, by embracing its mission, it has also meaningfully contributed to the advancement of the business community in our country.

— Dimitri Papalexopoulos, Former Chairman, Titan Cement Co. Ανώνυμη Εταιρεία Τσιμέντων Τιτάν (member since 1949)



2000		2002		2009		2010		2011		2013		2015		2017		2019		2020		2021	
AmChamGR organizes the 1st COMDEX Greece		1st HealthWorld conference		1st Corporate Governance Conference		AmChamGR launches the Make Innovation Work (MIW) competition		1st Labor and Insurance Conference		1st ExpoSec DefenseWorld		1st Athens Culture Symposium		Publication of the first Startup Toolkit		AmChamGR signs trilateral MOU with the American Chambers of Commerce in Cyprus and Israel		AmChamGR organizes the US Pavilion at the 1st DEFEA		1st Thessaloniki Future Thinking Dialogues	
		2002										2015		2017							
		Launch of Business Partners magazine										1st International Law Conference		1st Southeast Europe Energy Forum (SEEF)				Launching of the 1st annual set of AmChamGR Committees' positions and recommendations			



For 90 years now, this Chamber has achieved a major contribution to the advancement of Greek-American trade and investment activity and the enrichment of the business environment in our country.

— Kostas Karamanlis, f. Prime Minister of the Hellenic Republic



Throughout the last 90 years, the contribution of the American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce has been invaluable and unparalleled. Please accept my warmest congratulations and wishes.

— Antonis Samaras, f. Prime Minister of the Hellenic Republic

fective advocacy and a program of high-profile events to help create new business synergies and trade and investment opportunities. In all its endeavors, the Chamber emphasizes the importance of the transatlantic economy and strives to further develop the close relationship between Greece and the United States, serving as a crucial economic bridge between the two countries. In the nine decades since it was established, the Chamber has remained unwavering in the pursuit of its mission, standing by its members, the business community and the country through periods of growth and prosperity as well as through some of the darkest periods of Greece's recent history, from World War II and the ensuing civil to the junta of 1967–1974, and from the country's sovereign debt crisis and de-

I would like to wholeheartedly congratulate the leadership of the American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce for its 90th anniversary. I certainly hope its remarkable legacy of fostering strong and productive business relations between Greece and the United States will serve as inspiration to business stakeholders in both our countries towards continuous collaboration, cross-sector innovation and prosperity for all.

— George Papandreou, f. Prime Minister of the Hellenic Republic

As one of the first companies to join the American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce, the National Bank of Greece has borne witness to the Chamber's committed efforts to promote a strong and healthy business environment and support the Greek economy, and over the years, we have often worked together to advance good business practices, growth and entrepreneurship in Greece. NBG salutes the Chamber's considerable contribution to our country's economic and social spheres throughout its 90-year history and wishes AmChamGR success in its future endeavors.

— Pavlos Mylonas, CEO, National Bank of Greece
Τράπεζα Εθνική της Ελλάδος ΑΕ (member since 1951)

cade-long recession to the recent pandemic. With commitment and perseverance, the Chamber has played an important role in overcoming obstacles, reshaping policy and forging the path ahead for the country's



economic and business environment. The outstanding quality and results of its efforts have earned it high esteem and a strong and ever-growing membership that includes virtually all US companies that do business in Greece and Greek companies that do, or plan to do, business in the United States. Looking to the future, the American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce pledges to continue its work to promote Greek business and enhance trade, commercial and financial relations between Greece and the United States, ever striving for a healthy and dynamic business environment, strong and sustainable growth, and a stable and prosperous future for Greece.





During its 90-year presence in Greece, the American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce has succeeded in becoming one of the largest and most active American chambers in Europe. Today, AmChamGR contributes decisively to the continuous improvement of commercial, economic and political relations between Greece and the United States of America. On the occasion of this anniversary, I would like to wish the Hellenic-American Chamber of Commerce to continue with the same success in the future.

— Kyriakos Mitsotakis, Prime Minister of the Hellenic Republic

I am very proud to have served as President of the American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce, the premier bilateral chamber of commerce in Greece and the force behind the development of the best Greece-US relationship ever.

— Simos Anastasopoulos, Chairman and CEO, Petsiavas; President Emeritus of AmChamGR
Πετσιαβάς ΑΕΒΕ (member since 1946)

In a changing world, the American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce has been a stable bridge of cooperation for the development of commercial and economic relations between Greece and the USA for 90 years now.

— Alexis Tsipras, f. Prime Minister of the Hellenic Republic

THE CHAMBER
IN NUMBERS

18
FULL-TIME STAFF

750+
MEMBERS

25
COMMITTEES

50+
YEARLY EVENTS

123
ISSUES OF
BUSINESS PARTNERS



For nine decades, the American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce has consistently contributed to promoting balanced and sustainable business development in Greece as well as to expanding and strengthening trade relations between Greece and the United States. As AmChamGR President, I am honored to be a part of this collective effort. And I am confident that the American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce will continue with even greater dynamism in its successful course for the benefit of its members, Greek business and the economy, and the younger generations of entrepreneurs that will shape our country's future.

— Nikolaos Bakatselos, President, AmChamGR



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PRESIDENTS

P. ANAGNOSTOPOULOS 1953 – 1962																			
M. FERSON 1953 – 1955																			
S. MOODY 1960 – 1962																			
G. MEGRUDER 1968	K. LAZARAKIS 1962 – 1974	F. KIDDOO 1969 – 1971	N. CHAMBERS 1971	C. SYKES 1971 – 1977	D. PETSIAVAS 1975 – 1998	B. COOK 1977 – 1978	C. POLITIS 1978 – 1988	C. IOANNOU 1988 – 1998	C. PAPAGIANNACOPOULOS 1998 – 2001	A. MANIAS 1998 – 2000	G. KOSTAKIS 2000 – 2001	S. COSTOPOULOS 2001 – 2007	Y. GRAMATIDIS 2007 – 2013	S. ANASTASOPOULOS 2013 – 2019	N. BAKATSELOS 2019 –				