



AMERICAN-HELLENIC
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

GREECE AS A STRATEGIC HUB IN THE TRANSATLANTIC ECONOMY

Investments, Trade, and Growth Prospects

AGENDA

19.05.26

5pm (EEST) | virtual event

17:00 | Welcome Remarks

John D. Saracakis

President, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

17:05 | Why Transatlantic Economic Relations Matter Now

Elias Spirtounias

Executive Director, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

PART I - Transatlantic Relations

17:10 | The Transatlantic Economy 2026 Overview

Thibaut L' Ortye

Chief Policy and Public Affairs Officer, AmCham EU

Facilitator:

Elias Spirtounias

Executive Director, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

US–Europe economic ties

Big-picture trends: Trade volumes, investment flows, strategic sectors

Core findings:

Trade in goods & services

Foreign direct investment (FDI)

Sectoral highlights (energy, digital, manufacturing)

17:25 | Interpreting the Data | What do Numbers Really Tell us?

Elena Lazarou

Director General, ELIAMEP

Ivana Zuzul

Vice President, Europe, U.S. Chamber of Commerce

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Elias Spirtounias

Executive Director, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

Supply chain resilience

Inflation & monetary policy impacts

Trade policy shifts (tariffs, subsidies, industrial policy)

Risks for deterioration

PART II - US–Greece Economic & Trade Relations

17:50 | Deep dive into US–Greece economic and trade relations

Dionysios Protopapas

Head of Economic and Commercial Affairs, Embassy of Greece in Washington D.C.

Katerina Sokou

Executive Director, Washington D.C. Office, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

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Trade in goods & services
Foreign direct investment (FDI)
Sectoral highlights (energy, digital, manufacturing)
Key sectors, investment opportunities, and trade imbalances

18:15 | From Insights to Action | How Can We Improve Numbers?

Akis Sklavos

General Director of Investment Promotion, Enterprise Greece

Nikos Vettas

General Director, Foundation for Economic & Industrial Research (IOBE)

Facilitator:

John D. Saracakis

President, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

Opportunities
Emerging sectors (green energy, digital, defense, infrastructure)
Barriers
Regulation, standards, taxation, labor, financing
Geopolitics & Strategy
Supply chain security
Regional conflicts (e.g., Ukraine, Middle East)
Industrial policy

18:40 | Audience Q&A Moderation

Elias Spirtounias

Executive Director, American-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce

18:50 | Closing Remarks

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Key takeaways - Next steps | Upcoming initiatives