

Invitation

The Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy (ELIAMEP) is organising an **online discussion** on:

India-Europe corridor – a necessity for the Mediterranean – Can it survive the Middle East conflict?

At the most recent G20 summit a new economic and infrastructure interconnectivity was announced to connect India to Europe through the Arabian Gulf, Israel, and Greece. This corridor is supported by the US, UAE, Saudi Arabia, France, Germany, Italy, and the EU.

- Will the project retain its momentum, given the re-emerging conflict in the Middle East? Could the whole project to be derailed by the long-term ramifications of the conflict as trust might erode among the indispensable partners?
- Can a positive agenda retain its importance at times of conflict and humanitarian crises?
- Can Greece be the convener that maintains momentum of possibilities for collaboration between India and Europe? What are the economic dynamics underpinning the geopolitical agenda?

The Mediterranean remains the least connected region in the world. Creating interconnectivity, trade and economic opportunity across the Mediterranean is imperative if it is to find relevance in regional and multilateral partnerships – in technology, transport, energy efficient supply chains and infrastructure.

Speakers:

Tassos Anastasatos: Group Chief Economist, Eurobank Group

Nimrod Goren: Senior Fellow for Israeli Affairs, Middle East Institute; President and Founder, The

Israeli Institute for Regional Foreign Policies (Mitvim)

Dimitris Kourkoulas: Former Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Greece; former Ambassador of the

EU; Head, Mediterranean Program, ELIAMEP

Katerina Sokou: Non-resident Research Fellow, Theodore Couloumbis Research Fellowship on Greek-

U.S. Relations, ELIAMEP; Non-Resident Senior Fellow, Atlantic Council

Anil Trigunayat: Distinguished Fellow and Head of West Asia Experts Group, Vivekananda

International Foundation; former Ambassador of India to Jordan, Libya and Malta

Ioannis Alexios Zepos: Ambassador (ad hon.); Advisory Board, ELIAMEP; former Ambassador of

Greece to India

Moderator:

Cleopatra Kitti, Founder, The Mediterranean Growth Initiative (MGI); Senior Policy Advisor, ELIAMEP

The event will be held in English on 1 November 2023, at 17:00-18:30 (EET) | 20:30-22:00 (IST) | 11.00-12:30 (EDT)

Live streaming will be available on the <u>ELIAMEP website</u> and on ELIAMEP's official accounts on <u>Facebook</u> and <u>YouTube</u>.