



Propylaea
University of Athens
Panepistimiou 30, Athens

Old Athens Stock Exchange
National Bank of Greece
Pesmazoglou 1, Athens

29-30.10.2026

Fintech Athens 5.0

Accelerating Growth



DAY 1

Thursday 29.10.2026 University of Athens, "Propylaea", 30 Panepistimiou Str, Athens

10:30-11:00 Registrations

Welcome Address

Prof. Aristeidis Samitas, Vice Rector of Finance and Development, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

11:00-11:20 Opening

Gerasimos Siasos, Rector of National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
Sofia Zacharaki, Minister of Education and Religious Affairs
Prof. Leonidas Doukakis, Vice Rector of Academic Affairs and Personnel, AUEB
Gikas Hardouvelis, President of BoD, National Bank of Greece

11:35-12:15 Educating the Innovators: Building the Talent Pipeline for Fintech Growth

MODERATOR: Prof. Dimitrios Kenourgios, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

PANELISTS:

Prof. Nikos Daskalakis, Panteion University
Prof. Georgios Dotsis, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
Prof. Stathis Polyzos, Zayed University
Prof. Dimitris Thomakos, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

12:15-13:30 Introducing French Fintech ecosystem

Curated by French Embassy of Athens

MODERATOR: Prof. Aristeidis Samitas, Vice Rector of Finance and Development, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

PANELISTS:

Matthieu ABGRALL, Attaché de coopération scientifique et universitaire, Directeur Délégué, Institut français de Grèce
Prof. Panos Xidonas, Director of Research at ESSCA École de Management
French Ambassador
+ 1 or 2 big Financial Institution (BPI, Euronext)
+ 1 research director on Fintech
+ 1 french fintech Unicorn ou Station F

DAY 1

13:30-13:40 Thodoris Tselidis. Winning the Mind Game: Judo, Discipline, and Olympic Success

13:30-15:00 Lunch

15:00-15:20 Keynote Vasiliki Lazarakou, Chair of the Hellenic Capital Market Commission

15:20-16:00 The Learning Revolution: Skills and Careers for Accelerating Fintech Growth

MODERATOR: Prof. Katerina Pramatar, Athens University of Economics and Business

PANELISTS:

Niki Chiou, Deputy CEO Snappi

Prof. Leonidas Doukakis, Vice Rector for Academic Affairs, Athens University of Economics and Business

Prof. Evangelos Diikitopoulos, Department of Economics, Athens University of Economics and Business

Prof. Ilias Kampouris, Abu Dhabi University

Prof. Hossein Jahanshahloo, Alliance Manchester Business School

16:00-16:40 Redefining Fintech Growth: Innovation in B2B and B2C Finance

MODERATOR: George Marinos, Vice General Manager, National Bank of Greece

PANELISTS:

Dimitris Mitropoulos, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

Moritz Platt, Capital Market Technology Manager, Google Cloud EMEA

Andreas Spengel, Head of Fintech, Mastercard

Peter Voorneveld, Account Executive, Industry Specialist for CFD Brokers, AWS

17:00-18:00 Guided tour from the University of Athens premises area to the History Museum of University of Athens, Tholou 5, Plaka

18:00 - 19:00 Guided tour to the History Museum of University of Athens, Tholou 5, Plaka - Invitation only

19:00 Reception at History Museum of University of Athens, Tholou 5, Plaka - Invitation only

DAY 2

Friday 30.10.2026 Small Stock Exchange, National Bank of Greece, 1 Pesmatzoglou Str, Athens

10:00-10:30 Registrations

10:30-10:45 Opening

Demie Goudoufa, AGM Strategy and Sustainable Development, National Bank of Greece
Nikolaos Thomaidis, Vice President of the Administration Council of National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
Andreas Kindl, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany to the Hellenic Republic (TBC)
Yannis Tsakiris, Vice President EIB
Haris Lambropoulos, President HDBI, Member BoD EIB & EIF

10:45-11:30 The Future of Finance: Banks, Payments Institutions and Fintech Players as Growth Catalysts

MODERATOR: Effie Bitrou, Senior Director, Head of Digital Business, National Bank of Greece

PANELISTS:

Christoforos Chatzopoulos, CEO NBG Pay
Moritz Platt, Capital Market Technology Manager, Google Cloud EMEA
Panagiotis Polydoros, Country Manager for GR/CY/MA, Mastercard
Christian Sarafidis, Microsoft EMEA Financial Services

11:50-12:20 Fintech as a Growth Catalyst for Travel and Hospitality

MODERATOR: Katerina Saridaki, Director CapsuleT Accelerator-Hellenic Chamber of Hotels

PANELISTS:

12:20-13:00 Introducing German Fintech Ecosystem

Curated by AHK

MODERATOR: Sonia Mousavere, Communications, Public Affairs and Sustainability Country Lead, Bayer Hellas

PANELISTS:

Dr. Christian Kruse, CEO and Co-Founder Ecotonian AG (TBC)
Dr. Ilja Nothnagel, General Manager and MoB
Frank Werner, Head of Economic Affairs of the German Embassy in Athens

DAY 2

(By invitation only) Roundtable 12:00 – 13:30 Crypto, predictions, perpetual

Council Hall, Melas Mansion

MODERATOR: Dimitrios Psarrakis, CEO ADI Predictstreet, Senior Fellow at the Center of Digital Assets and Blockchain, Wharton School

PANELISTS:

Yannis Alvanopoulos, Global Head of Mysten Labs Solution Engineering

Nikos Andrikogiannopoulos, Co-founder and CEO, Metrika

Christoforos Chatzopoulos, CEO NBG Pay

Prof. Nikos Daskalakis, Panteio University

Leo Drakopoulos, AWS Regional Manager, Solution Architecture for GR/CY/MA

Panagiotis Georgitseas, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

Mirouna Girtu, Ferragamo Family Office

Prof Dr. Hossein Jahanshahloo, Alliance Manchester Business School

Andrey Kirilenko, Professor of Finance, Judge Business School, Cambridge University

George Kourakos, Director of Innovation, Kaizen Gaming

Yannis Larios, Applied AI Advisor, Deloitte

Michalis Nikoletos, Qualco CEO Advisor, CEO, DeFi Advisors

Vesi Markova, Eleven Ventures

Tasos Oureilidis, Co-founder & CEO Xenios Blockchain Group

Grigoris Siourounis, Co-founder, Havenex Group

Charalampos Vlatakis, Director of Business Strategy, Startups & Partnerships, National Bank of Greece

13:00-14:15 Lunch

14:15-15:00 Financial Markets 4.0: Transitioning from Financial Instruments to Immersive Experiences

MODERATOR: Spyros Arsenis, Head of Business Innovation Development, NBG Business Seeds, National Bank of Greece

PANELISTS:

Michalis Fekkas, First Vice President of the Hellenic Capital Market Commission

Andrey Kirilenko, Professor of Finance, Judge Business School, Cambridge University

Dimitrios Psarrakis, CEO ADI Predictstreet, Senior Fellow at the Center of Digital Assets and Blockchain, Wharton School

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15:00-15:30 Lifelong Learning for All: Building Inclusive Pathways to growth

MODERATOR: Prof. Aristeidis Samitis, Vice Rector of Finance and Development,
National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

PANELISTS:

Christina Leimoni, Microsoft Elevate - Regional Director EMEA, Capacity Building Solutions
Dr. Olga Chara Pavlopoulou, BoD Secretary, Chair of University Relations CFA Institute Greece
Prof. Spyros Papatathanasiou, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

15:30-16:00 Onassis Panel

MODERATOR: Heracles Papatheodorou, Digital & Development Project Manager, Onassis Foundation

16:00-17:00 Fintech Investments

MODERATOR: Perikles Vasileiadis, Portfolio Director, Endeavor

PANELISTS:

Apostolos Apostolakis, Founding Partner Venture Friends
Pete Benedetto, Partner Head of Europe, Endeavor Catalyst
Christina Crosby, Managing Partner Astir Capital Advisors
Yiannis Eftichiou, 33East
Vesi Markova, Eleven Ventures

17:00-17:20 Conclusions - Next steps

17:45-19:00 Fintech Circles - Closing Reception powered by Endeavor Greece, Mela Building

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