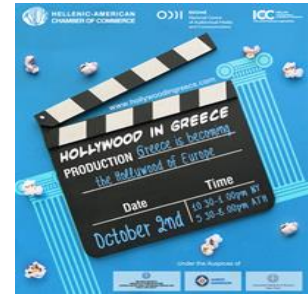


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Press Release

“Hollywood in Greece” Virtual Forum - Saturday, October 2nd, at 10:30 am EDT

For immediate release: New York City, NY September 28 - The Hellenic-American Chamber of Commerce and the International Chamber of Commerce Hellas in collaboration with EKOME is proud to announce the online virtual Forum “Hollywood in Greece”. The online broadcast will take place on Saturday, October 2nd, 2021 at 10:30 am NY.

Please find link to the event: <https://mailchi.mp/hellenicamerican.cc/4vv9ek0at3-13364178>

Under the Auspices of: Hellenic Republic Ministry of Foreign Affairs General Secretariat for Greeks Abroad and Public Diplomacy, City of Athens, Consulate General of Greece to New York.

The virtual forum will begin at **10:30 am EDT** with welcoming remarks by **Dr. Konstantinos Koutras**, Consul General of Greece in New York; **Athas Ioannou**, President, Hellenic-American Chamber of Commerce; **Petros Doukas**, President, International Chamber of Commerce Greece (ICC Hellas), Mayor of Sparta. Presentations will be made by **Panos Kouanis**, President and CEO of **EKOME** on Investment Incentives in the Domestic and International Audiovisual Industry followed by **Kostas Bakoyannis**, Mayor of Athens on the **Athens Film Office** and **Prof. Emeritus John Chrysoulakis**, Secretary General for Greeks Abroad and Public Diplomacy, **Ministry of Foreign Affairs Hellenic Republic**.

Panel discussions with producers’ and actors’ perspectives and their experiences filming in Greece (what they are looking for from the Greek film industry in terms of infrastructure, film crews, locations and cooperation from local authorities). Greek film studio owners will discuss what is available to members of the international film industry who would like to produce in Greece, as well as an overview of the Greek film industry’s development in recent years and its prospects for the future.

With us:

- **Irene Andriopoulou**, Head of Research, Studies & Educational Dpt., EKOME
- **Dimitris Evangelopoulos**, Chairman of Greek Producers - Studio ALPHA
- **Katherine Fleming**, Provost, New York University
- **John Kalafatis**, CEO and Founder of York Studios
- **John Karagiannis**, Owner, KAPA Studios, producer
- **Dorotea Mercuri**, Model, Actress, “Francesca”
- **Yelena Popovic**, Director/Producer, “Man of God”
- **Alexander Potter**, Producer, “Man of God”
- **Joseph Samaan**, Founder, Tanweer Productions
- **Giannis Skaragas**, Novelist, Screenwriter and Playwright

Moderators of the Forum:

- **Petros Doukas**, President, International Chamber of Commerce Greece (ICC Hellas), Mayor of Sparta
- **Eftihia Pylarinou Piper**, Senior VP, Red Apple Group, HACC Executive Board Member, Event Chair
- **George Pipergias**, Coordinating Committee HACC-ICC Hellas

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We thank you and look forward to your attendance

