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Under the Auspices of the



Chamber of Greek-Chinese  
Economic Cooperation

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A G E N D A

# 10 years Athens Business Confucius Institute: The future of a prosperous collaboration

Aim: To promote business opportunities and collaboration between Greece and China

## Part A: Introduction

- 10:00 – 10:05** Welcome speech  
Wang Qiang, Minister-Counselor, Chargé d'Affaires ad interim, Embassy of the People's Republic of China in the Hellenic Republic
- 10:05 – 10:10** Welcome speech  
Dimitrios Bourantonis, Rector, Professor, Athens University of Economics and Business
- 10:10 – 10:15** UIBE and the successful collaboration with the Athens University of Economics and Business  
Xia Wenbin, President, University of International Business and Economics, China
- 10:15 – 10:20** Collaboration between China and Greece and the Chamber of Greek-Chinese Economic Cooperation  
Fotis Provatas, Chairman, Chamber of Greek-Chinese Economic Cooperation
- 10:20 – 10:25** International Collaboration and partnerships at Athens University of Economics and Business  
Vassilis Papadakis, Vice Rector for International Cooperation and Growth, Professor, Athens University of Economics and Business
- 10:25 – 10:30** The 10 years since the establishment of the Athens Business Confucius Institute and the way forward  
Alexandros Papalexandris, Assistant Professor, Co-director Business Confucius Institute, Athens University of Economics and Business

## Part B: Main Speeches – China and Greece Bilateral Relations, Collaboration Prospects and Differentiating Factors

- 10:30 – 10:35** Greece – China bilateral relations in Education  
Evangelos Syrigos, Deputy Minister for Higher Education, Hellenic Ministry of Education and Religious Affairs
- 10:35 – 10:45** International Trade and Chinese Economy  
Xiaopeng Yin, Executive Dean, Professor, Research Institute for Global Value Chains, University of International Business and Economics, China
- 10:45 – 10:55** The Greek economy, global trade and investment prospects  
Nikos Vettas, Professor, Director General, Foundation for Economic & Industrial Research (IOBE), Greece
- 10:55 – 11:05** Belt and Road Initiative, challenges and opportunities  
Yiqing Xie, Research Associate Professor, Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences, China
- 11:05 – 11:15** Technological advancements in China - Opportunities for Collaboration  
Georgios Theodoropoulos, Chair Professor, Southern University of Science and Technology, China

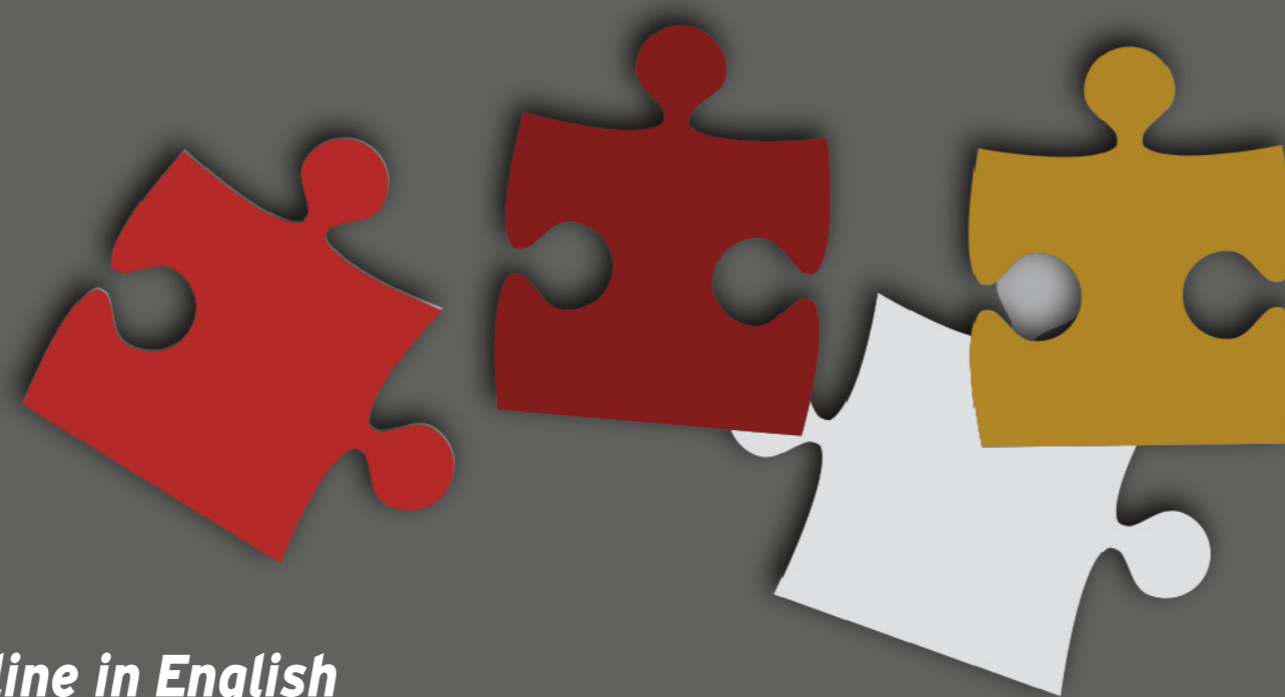
## Part C: Roundtable - China and Greece Business Opportunities and Entrepreneurial Challenges

- 11:20 – 11:30** Challenges and opportunities of doing business in China: The case of KLEEMANN LIFTS  
Yannis Ververidis, General Manager KLEEMANN Lifts China
- 11:30 – 11:40** Challenges and opportunities of doing business in Greece: The case of The Piraeus Port Authority  
Weng Lin, Captain, Deputy CEO of Piraeus Port Authority S.A.
- 11:40 – 11:50** Challenges and opportunities of doing cross-border business in China and Greece: the case of Kir-Yianni and Moen wines  
Mihalis Boutaris, Co-founder & Vice President of Kir-Yianni and Moen Estate Wine Company
- 11:50 – 12:00** Challenges and opportunities of doing business in China: The case of Plastika Kritis S.A.  
George Polychronidis, China Director at Plastika Kritis S.A.

## Part D: Roundtable Group Discussion

- 12:00 – 12:30** Roundtable Discussion/Questions  
Discussant Vicky Athanasoglou, CEO at VAP LAW Offices, Co-chair of the Chamber of Greek-Chinese Economic Cooperation Arbitration Committee

**REGISTRATION**



*The conference will be held online in English*

*The conference is free of cost and registration is open to everyone*