



2nd Arab-Greek Economic Forum
Athens, 19-20 November, 2008
at the Hilton Athens Hotel

Within the framework of the activities of the Arab-Hellenic Chamber, we would like to inform you that the 2nd Arab-Greek Economic Forum will be held on 19-20/11/2008, with the aim of developing and promoting the economic relations between Greece and the Arab world, which have shown a significant progress, especially on the economic and political level, following the successful organization of the 1st Arab-Greek Economic Forum on 14-15/09/2006.

Theme: One World: Corporate relations & Investment opportunities for a promising future.

Under the Auspices of : The Greek Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Greek Ministry of Development and the General Union of Chambers of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture for Arab Countries.

Aims of the Forum:

Study of the current situation and of the future trends and prospects for the development of Arab-Hellenic economic and commercial relations.

Information on trade, investment and tourism opportunities in both regions.

Attraction of investors and capital for the encouragement of joint investments in both regions.

Presentation of opportunities for the participants to exchange information, experiences and know-how.

Establishment of the event as a cultural and informative institution that promotes and symbolises the friendship between Greece and the Arab world.

Thematic Units:

Current reality and future horizons for the economic and commercial relations between Greece and the Arab world: what are the obstacles and difficulties for further growth.

Presentation of the Arab economy and business environment through various investment and trade opportunities.

Presentation of the Greek economy and its prospects, due to its geographical, historical and cultural position, which is considered a “bridge” to the European Union and the Balkans for the Arab world.

Discussion and thematic analysis of the following sectors: Transport, Transfer of Technology & Know-How, Telecommunications & IT, Financial Services, Investments & Joint Ventures, Energy & Renewable Energy Sources, Tourism, Constructions and the Health Sector.

Participants:

Ministers and Competent Bodies from the Sectors under discussion.
The Ambassadors of the Arab Countries accredited to Greece.
Unions of Chambers of Commerce, Industry & Agriculture as well as Local Chambers of Greece and the Arab world.
Federations & Associations of Industries, Investors and Exporters from both regions.
Credit Institutions (Banks, Insurance Agencies etc.)
Companies active in the fields of Telecommunications & IT, Oil & Gas, Maritime Transport, Tourism, Trade, Investments, Industrial products etc.
Organizations and Arab Unions active in various Financial Sectors.
Distinguished Entrepreneurs from Greece and the Arab world.
Mass Media representatives from the Arab countries and Greece.

B2B Business Meetings:

Parallel to the 2nd Forum various Business meetings (B2B) will be realized between the Arab & Greek participants to discuss the means of cooperation for Joint Ventures and exchange of expertise. For more information you may contact the Chamber.

Fair:

A fair will be organized as a parallel event to the Forum, with the participation of companies from Greece and the Arab countries; two official dinners will also be held in honour of the guests and participants of the Forum.

Sponsors:

Commercial Organisations, Companies, Credit Institutions and Members of the Chamber.

Date and Venue of the Event:

Wednesday & Thursday 19-20 November 2008.
Hilton Athens Hotel.

Languages of the Forum:

Arab, Greek and English.

Organizer:

Arab-Hellenic Chamber of Trade & Development.

**The Organizing Committee**

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