

...in the news

POSIDONIA 2018



Held on June 4-8, 2018, at the Athens Metropolitan Expo exhibition center, Posidonia 2018 was a resounding success. The event, which is widely recognized as the world's foremost biennial international shipping exhibition, brought together over 2,000 exhibitors and almost 23,000 visitors from 92 countries and territories. The week-long event featured conferences, workshops and roundtables on key issues concerning shipping, environmental regulations, safety, clean fuel, leadership and digitalization. As always, numerous business deals were struck between major Greek and international companies, while the event also saw the unveiling of a host of new products and initiatives. The event was organized under the auspices of the Ministry of Shipping and Island Policy, the Union of Greek Shipowners and the Hellenic Chamber of Shipping, with further support from the Municipality of Piraeus and the Greek Shipping Cooperation Committee. The next Posidonia will take place in Athens in June 2020.

NYSE APPOINTS FIRST FEMALE LEADER



The New York Stock Exchange has appointed its first female president. Stacey Cunningham has been elevated to President, replacing Thomas Farley, who had been at the head of NYSE since 2013. Cunningham is the first female leader in NYSE's 226-year history. She began her career there as a summer intern 24 years ago and has served as NYSE's Chief Operating Officer since 2015. Her appointment means that the world's two largest stock exchanges are both now run by women, with Adena Friedman serving as President and CEO of Nasdaq since January 2017.

NEW HFSF BOSS



ANDREAS VERYKIOS

Greece's bank rescue fund, the Hellenic Financial Stability Fund (HFSF) has appointed Andreas Verykios as the new Chairman of its General Council. Verykios, who is succeeding George Mihelis, started his career in merchant shipping companies in London and Piraeus and has previously served as Head of Human Resources (2000 – 2005) and as Deputy Director General for Lending Operations (2005 – 2008) at the European Investment Bank.

GREEK ACADEMIC DISTINGUISHED AT UC BERKELEY



PANOS PATATOUKAS

Panos Patatoukas, a tenured associate professor in the Haas School of Business at the University of California, Berkeley, has received one of the university's highest honors, the Distinguished Teaching Award. The 37-year old has a degree from the Athens University of Economics and Business, a master's from the London School of Economics and a PhD from Yale. The Distinguished Teaching Award recognizes faculty members who stand out for teaching that "incites intellectual curiosity in students, engages them thoroughly in the enterprise of learning and has a lifelong impact."

NEW GREEK COPYRIGHT CHIEF



IOANNIS ANTONIADIS

The Hellenic Copyright Organization (OPI), operating under the supervision of the Ministry of Culture and Sports, has appointed Ioannis Antoniadis as the new Chairman of its Board of Directors. Antoniadis holds a master's degree in public law from the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki and has served as legal adviser to various credit institutions and to the Prime Minister's Office in Thessaloniki.

Q&A



ILIAS KESSARIS
PRESIDENT & MANAGING DIRECTOR, KESSARIS SCHOOL

Trends in Education

What are the new trends in education and how do these prepare students for the workplace of the future?

New trends in education—including growth mindset, robotics, coding, digital citizenship, personalized and project-based learning—are moving away from the traditional teacher-pupil model. An emphasis on cross-curricular activities and experiential learning helps students learn while also boosting their problem-solving, critical and independent thinking skills and their ability to communicate and collaborate effectively. These are all essential skills for the future workplace.

What is the reality in Greece like?

The Greek education system unfortunately emphasizes memorization over critical thinking and squanders the opportunity to cultivate values and skills that can become life tools for the students. The current framework doesn't allow individual schools to choose their own educational model or set their own curriculum based on student needs and workplace demands. So it is crucial that schools create the space within this framework for students to engage in learning.

How can educators and parents contribute?

We all have a common goal: to facilitate the best educational experience for the students. At Kessaridis School, we believe that to achieve the best educational outcomes, we must meet the physical, emotional and intellectual needs of students. To this end, we seek out parent involvement and we prioritize active learning: We encourage students to take a central role in their education and to develop the learning strategies that best suit them as individuals.

<http://www.kessaridis.edu.gr/en/>

GLOBECOMM STRENGTHENS PRESENCE IN GREECE AND CYPRUS

Leading maritime communications provider Globecomm has announced the appointment of J&E Papadopoulos as its new representative to the Greece and Cyprus shipping markets. The move, which will strengthen Globecomm's presence in the two markets, will see J&E Papadopoulos provide sales and marketing services as well as pre- and post-sales support, installation, commissioning and technical services for Globecomm in the region. J&E Papadopoulos was established in Piraeus in 1968; the company is a major distributor of marine spare parts and also provides technical consultancy.

ATHENS SHINES AT THE WORLD TRAVEL AWARDS



Athens was both the host and the star at the World Travel Awards Europe Gala Ceremony 2018. The prestigious event, which was held in the Greek capital's Zappeion Megaron Hall on June 30, brought together the leading figures of Europe's travel and tourism industry at a ceremony to unveil Europe's finest brands.

A winner at the awards, Athens was named "Europe's Leading City Break Destination" while the Acropolis of Athens was named "Europe's Leading Tourist Attraction." The Athens Convention Bureau was also a winner, named "Europe's Leading City Tourist Board." Meanwhile, the Peloponnese was named "Europe's Leading Beach Destination," and the Greek National Tourism Organization (GNTO) won "Europe's Leading National Tourism Strategy & Campaign." Other winners included Hilton Hotels & Resorts as "Europe's Leading Hotel Brand," Lufthansa as "Europe's Leading Airline," and Portugal as "Europe's Leading Destination."

TUI AWARD FOR CRETE RESORT

Global tourism leader TUI has honored Creta Maris Beach Resort with the "TUI Umwelt Champion 2018" and "TUI Top Quality 2018" awards in recognition of its excellent environmental performance and top-quality services. Creta Maris Beach Resort, situated near Heraklion on the island of Crete, is committed to sustainable practices and works to reduce its environmental impact and maximize benefits for local communities and business while delivering exceptional quality to its guests. The resort has also been recognized by the Cosa Nostrum Sustainable Beaches program for having one of the best private sustainable beaches in the Mediterranean.

SPEAKERS' CORNER

FREEDOM

Without a strong educational system democracy is crippled. Knowledge is not only key to power. It is the citadel of human freedom.

—HARRY S. TRUMAN

TRANSFORMATION

Good teachers teach. Great teachers transform.

—QUEEN RANIA OF JORDAN

POWER

Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world.

—NELSON MANDELA

CONFIDENCE

Through my education, I didn't just develop skills, I didn't just develop the ability to learn, but I developed confidence.

—MICHELLE OBAMA

WISDOM

When you know better, you do better.

—MAYA ANGELOU