



**3<sup>rd</sup> Energy Week**  
**9-13 November 2009, Athens**

**“Energy and Foreign Policy”**

Seminar organized by IENE under the auspices of the  
Hellenic Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Monday, November 9, 2009  
John Kranidiotis Lecture Theatre, Ministry of Foreign Affairs,  
Akadimias 1, Athens

*This year as part of the “Energy Week” IENE is organizing a one day seminar on “Energy & Foreign Policy”, under the auspices and in cooperation with the **Hellenic Ministry of Foreign Affairs**. The seminar will be attended by senior executives, scientists and policy-makers from all the major Greek energy-related companies, organisations and government departments and Ministries. Greece’s Minister of Foreign Affairs will open the Seminar and the Energy Week.*

*The seminar will focus on current energy developments and major projects in the SE European region and will also discuss how these affect bilateral and broader relationships and their role in shaping the region’s geopolitical environment. With a number of key oil and gas pipelines in an advanced planning or construction stage, and with several new power stations shortly to come on stream, but also with new grid interconnections and grid expansion under way, the region’s energy market is undergoing a fast and fundamental transformation. As a result SE Europe is set to bolster its energy infrastructure and hence strengthen its geopolitical position.*



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**Draft Programme**

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**08:30 – 09:00                      Registration - Coffee**

**09:00 – 11:00                      Session I**  
**“International Energy Developments and Greece’s Position”**

- Welcome and Opening Remarks by **Dr. Ioannis Desypris**, Chairman, IENE (Session Coordinator).
- Introductory speech by **Mr. Spyros Kouvelis**, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs.
- Introductory remarks by **Mr John Maniatis**, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Environment, Energy & Climate Change.

**Speakers:**

- **Mr. Andreas Andrianopoulos**, Director, Institute of Diplomacy & International Development, American College of Greece
- **H.E. Mr. Daniel Speckhard**, U.S.A. Ambassador to Greece.
- **Prof. Ioannis Mazis**, Laboratory of Geopolitical Analyses (Geolab), Ionian University, Corfu

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11:00 – 11:30

**Coffee Break**

11:30 – 14:00

**Session II**

**“Energy Security and Climate Change Considerations in Foreign Policy”**

Coordinator: **Mr. Thomas Lamnidis**, Lawyer, KLC Law Firm, Member of IENE’s Executive Committee

A Video Documentary presentation by IENE on the 3<sup>rd</sup> S.E. Europe Energy Dialogue

**Speakers:**

- **Mr. Alexander Berezikov**, Adviser to the Vice Speaker of the Assembly of the Russian Federation (Duma), Member of the Russian Gas Society Supervisory Board and Deputy Chairman of the Council of Experts, Moscow.
- **H.E. Dr Peter Poptchev**, Ambassador at Large, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Sofia, Bulgaria.
- **Mr. Panagiotis Gennimatas**, Chairman, AGP Energy, former Deputy Chairman of EIB
- **Dr. Michalis Myrianthis**, General Director for International Activities, Hellenic Petroleum S.A. (HELPE)
- **κ. Jesper Andersen**, Counselor, Danish Embassy , Athens
- Discussion

14:00 – 14:15

**Conclusions and Close of Seminar**

**Mr. Costis Stambolis**, Deputy Chairman & Executive Director, IENE

14:15 – 15:30

**Light Lunch**