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### Program

**Chair:** Professor Agni Vlavianos Arvanitis, *President and Founder, Biopolitics International Organisation and Hellenic Chapter of the Club of Rome*

#### Greetings

Sotiris Mousouris, f. *UN Assistant Secretary General*

Dr. George Tyrogiannis, *Director, B' Intern. Med. Depart., P. Faliro Clinic, Athens Medical Group*

H.E. Benny Bahanadewa, *Ambassador of Indonesia*

#### Roundtable topics and speakers

Professor **Agni Vlavianos Arvanitis**, *President and Founder, Biopolitics International Organisation and Hellenic Chapter of the Club of Rome*. For more than four decades she has worked for the enhancement of international environmental cooperation and will present the concept of biopolicy as a global paradigm for climate change mitigation. Biopolicy inspires leaders to select the life-supporting aspects of progress to accelerate adaptation strategies by mobilizing action in the direction of protecting and saving *bios*, all life on our planet. The aim of the present initiative is to stimulate an exchange of ideas on options and actions to reverse the tsunami of global destruction.

Professor **Momir Djurovic**, *President, Montenegrin Academy of Sciences and Arts, f. Dean of the Electrical Engineering Faculty, University of Montenegro*. The event's keynote speaker, a distinguished academic and scientist, will discuss how innovation and technology are linked to broader issues, including political and economic change, energy, natural resources, food supply, health, culture and quality of life.

**Gaetano Leone**, *Coordinator of UNEP's Mediterranean Action Plan in Athens, Officer in Charge and Deputy Regional Director of UNEP's Regional Office for Europe*. Based on his broad UN experience, Mr. Leone will explain how regional cooperation, partnership and solidarity to protect and enhance the marine environment in the Mediterranean through initiatives such as the Barcelona Convention can contribute towards sustainable development, boost the transition to a green and blue economy, and revive stagnant economies.

**Michael Scoullis**, *Professor of Environmental Chemistry at the University of Athens, UNESCO Chairman on Sustainable Development Management and Education in the Mediterranean*. He will speak about the climate change challenge not as "yet another problem," but as the epitome of all the common threats to our planet, which include both "oikos" and "bios." Water, energy, food and ecosystem security are dynamically affected. Our responsibility is great because we may be virtually the last generation which is in a position to react. Effectively dealing with the problem requires generous measures for mitigation and adaptation, and a vast education and awareness campaign to radically change lifestyles, production and consumption patterns, and symbols of success.

**Theodora Antonakaki**, *Climate Change Impact Study Committee, Scientific Secretary, Bank of Greece*. She will refer to the Bank's studies on the impacts of climate change in Greece, the cost of Climate change for the Greek economy and CCISC's contribution to the formulation of a national adaptation strategy for climate change in Greece.

Professor **Christos Efthymiopoulos**, *Researcher A', Center for Astronomy and Applied Mathematics, Academy of Athens*. Humanity's response to the reality of anthropogenically induced climate change has gone through the classical phases of a global crisis: denial of facts, denial of responsibilities, reconciliation with facts. However, there is a fourth pending phase, a positive response undertaking "ownership" of a global plan required to save bios on our planet. B.I.O.'s role has been crucial in accelerating humanity's needed transition towards this last fourth phase.

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