

Press Release

5th of June 2019

20 ATHEX Ecosystem Networking EventSynergies, Cooperation and opportunities in Capital Markets

The 2nd ATHEX Ecosystem Networking Event was held yesterday 4 June 2019 with great success at the Athens Stock Exchange, with main subject being: "Synergies, cooperation and opportunities in Capital Markets".

More than 150 executives participated, among which executives of ATHEX Members and Listed Companies, representatives from the Hellenic Capital Market Commission, representatives from Institutional and Private Investment bodies and representatives from Companies participating in the whole ecosystem of the Greek Capital Market.

The goal of the **ATHEX Ecosystem Networking Event** is to highlight the fact that companies and stakeholders can contribute essentially to the development of entrepreneurship and consequently to the recovery of the Greek economy, through cooperation and common goals.

This year's event was honored by the presence of Mr. **Khaled Waleed Al-Falah**, Director, Business Development, M.A. Kharafi & Sons and Boursa Kuwait BoD member and Mr. **André Küüsvek**, Director, Local Currency and Capital Markets Development, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD).

At the opening of the event, **Mr. Socrates Lazaridis**, ATHEX CEO, stated among others that the Athens Stock Exchange can contribute drastically to the empowerment of collaborations with other infrastructures which share a common vision aiming to create a more efficient Market. He also stressed the fact that the Exchanges, the Central Counterparties and the Central Depositories, may cooperate for the formation of an efficient network which will facilitate the cross-border investments towards the common interest of central infrastructures, their users and the end investors.

The first part of the event started with the speech of the official guest, **Mr. Khaled Waleed Al-Falah** who presented the Kuwait Capital Market and its development prospects. **Mr. Khaled Waleed Al-Falah** also pointed out that the cooperation between Boursa Kuwait and Athens Stock Exchange is expected to add value to the advancement of the former, taking advantage of the know-how and experience of the latter in the development of new products & services.

The speeches continued with the next official guest, Mr. **André Küüsvek**, who highlighted the positive effect of an efficient capital market to the development of the real economy. Moreover, he underlined the crucial role that the governments and legislative authorities have



to play for the creation of an effective capital market ecosystem, where ideal circumstances for capital raising from companies will be created and consequently investment opportunities for local and foreign investors.

In the second part of the event, a panel conversation among the official guest and ATHEX CEO, Mr. Socrates Lazaridis took place, with the subject: "Synergies, Cooperation and opportunities in Capital Markets". Mr. Nikos Porfyris, ATHEX Chief Business Development Officer was the panel moderator.

Following the panel discussion, Mr. **Michael Filippou**, CEO of Hellenic Energy Exchange (ENEX), presented the plans of ENEX concerning new products and services that are expected to be launched within 2020. Moreover, he emphasized on the role that the ecosystem participants may play with regard to trading and clearing of those products.

In the third and last part of the event, an **award ceremony** was held for the 2nd consecutive year, rewarding ATHEX Group Members, ATHEX Members' Research teams and IR Departments of Listed Companies for their performance and contribution to the development of the capital market ecosystem.

More specifically, the following awards were given as follows:

Markets & Members Coverage

1st place – EUROBANK ERGASIAS S.A. 2nd place – PIRAEUS BANK S.A.

3rd place – CITIBANK EUROPE PLC GREECE BRANCH

Best Member in Fixed Income (ATHEX/FEAS)

1st place - INVESTMENT BANK OF GREECE S.A.

2nd place - ALPHA FINANCE INVESTMENT SERVICES S.A.

3rd place - EUROXX SECURITIES S.A.

Best Member in Derivatives Market (ATHEX/FEAS)

1st place – INVESTMENT BANK OF GREECE S.A.

2nd place - PIRAEUS SECURITIES S.A.

3rd place - EUROBANK EQUITIES INVESTMENT FIRM S.A.

Highest Turnover in XNET Network

1st place - MEGA EQUITY SECURITIES & FINANCIAL SERVICES PUBLIC LTD

2nd place - LEON DEPOLAS SECURITIES S.A.

3rd place - THE CYPRUS INVESTMENT & SECURITIES CORPORATION LTD

Highest Turnover in Securities Clearing

1st place – CITIBANK EUROPE PLC GREECE BRANCH

2nd place – EUROBANK ERGASIAS S.A.

3rd place - EUROBANK EQUITIES INVESTMENT FIRM S.A.

Highest Turnover in Securities Settlement

1st place – CITIBANK EUROPE PLC GREECE BRANCH

2nd place – BNP PARIBAS SECURITIES SERVICES S.A.



3rd place – EUROBANK EQUITIES INVESTMENT FIRM S.A.

ATHEX Listed Companies, Best IR Team

1st place - OPAP S.A.

2nd place – MYTILINEOS GROUP S.A.

3rd place - PIRAEUS BANK S.A.

ATHEX Members, Best Country Research Team, 2019

1st place – EUROBANK EQUITIES INVESTMENT FIRM S.A.

2nd place - PANTELAKIS SECURITIES S.A.

3rd place - INVESTMENT BANK OF GREECE S.A.

Most Improved Turnover Member in Stock Market

1st place – HELLENIC-AMERICAN SECURITIES S.A.

2nd place – ALPHA FINANCE INVESTMENT SERVICES S.A.

3rd place - MERIT SECURITIES S.A.

Best Member in Stock Market (ATHEX/FEAS)

1st place – EUROBANK EQUITIES INVESTMENT FIRM S.A.

2nd place - PIRAEUS SECURITIES S.A.

3rd place - NATIONAL SECURITIES S.A.

Photos of the event are included



Mr. Socrates Lazaridis, ATHEX CEO





Event snapshot



Mr. Nikos Porfyris, Chief Business Development Officer, ATHEX

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