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Agenda

Sunday, October 12 2014

10:00 Registration

10:30-11:00 **Introduction**

Dimitris Keridis, Director, Navarino Network

Susanna Vogt, Head of Greece Office, Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung

Welcoming remarks

Yiannis Boutaris, Mayor of Thessaloniki

11:00-12:00 **A vision for Europe**

Keynote address by

Elmar Brok, Member of the European Parliament, Chairman of the European Parliament Committee on Foreign Affairs

Introduced by Giorgos Anastassopoulos, former Vice President of the European Parliament

12:00-13:30 **Europe and the Balkans 100 years after World War I**

Laza Kekic, Regional Director for Europe, Economist Intelligence Unit

Gerald Knaus, Founding chairman, European Stability Initiative

Moderated by Nikos Zaharis, Director, South-East European Research Center

13:30-14:30 **Lunch break**



14:30-15:30 **From Kaiser Wilhelm to Chancellor Merkel: the German question on the European stage**

Andreas Rödder, Historian, Professor at the University of Mainz

Introduced by Susanna Vogt

15:30-17:00 **The crisis in Ukraine: What next?**

Kataryna Wolczuk, Reader in Politics and International Studies, University of Birmingham

Introduced by Susanna Vogt

17:00-17:30 **Coffee-break**

17:30-19:30 **Is the euro-crisis over? The challenges ahead**

Daniel Gros, Director, Centre for European Policy Studies (recorded message)

Miranda Xafa, Economist, Former member of the IMF Executive Board (recorded message)

Michael Massourakis, Chief economist, Alpha Bank

Wolfgang Piccoli, Managing director, Teneo Intelligence

Moderated by Dimitris Keridis