

5th Artificial Intelligence Forum by AI Catalyst

"Artificial Intelligence in Greece Today"

AGENDA

Thursday, November 5, 2026

Divani Caravel
LiveOn Hybrid Event

Main Hall "Macedonia"

(Live streaming is available exclusively for the Main Conference)

Programme Manager: **Myron Flouris**, AICatalyst, Steering Committee, Business Consultant

Forum Activities Coordinator: **John Leondaris,** Journalist

Update: November 5, 2026

09:30-10:00	**Registration - Opening of the event**
10:00-10:05	Welcome – Introduction to the Forum Theme **Myron Flouris**, AICatalyst, Steering Committee, Business Consultant
10:05-10:10	Opening Remarks **Dimitris Gerogiannis,** President of the Board, AI Catalyst
10:10-10:15	Opening Remarks **Konstantinos Ouzounis,** CEO, ethosGROUP
10:15-10:30	Institutional Greetings **Dimitris Papastergiou**, Minister of Digital Governance and AI
10:30-11:00	***Aiact ethics and transparency (Parallel Events Hall "Edessa" / On-site only)*** ***Moderator: Aris Dimitriadis,*** *Member of the Ethics Committee of the AI Catalyst Group* ***Speakers:*** • ***Charalambos Tsekeris,*** *Chair, National Commission for Bioethics and Technoethics, Hellenic Republic* • ***Virginia Kokiou,*** *Chief of staff and Legal Counsel to the Special Secretary of Foresight, Presidency of the Greek Government - Senior Associate, APLegal - Member of AI Catalyst*



10:30-10:40 Institutional Greetings

Stavros Kalafatis, Deputy Minister of Development

10:40-10:50 Institutional Greeting

Prof. Nikolaos G. Papaioannou, Deputy Minister of Education, Religious Affairs and Sports, responsible for Higher Education

10:50-11:00 Institutional Greeting

Maggie Athanassiadi, Director of Technology & Digital Transformation, SEV Hellenic Federation of Enterprises

11:00-11:35 ***Agentic AI in Financial Services (Parallel Events Hall "Edessa" / On-site only)***

Moderator: Antonis Dragiotis, *Head of Financial Services Division, AI Catalyst*

Speakers:

- ***Athanasios Siametis,*** *Chief Operating Officer, Inforex S.A.*
- ***Socratis Ploussas,*** *Founder & CEO, KNEX PC*

11:35-11:50 ***Presentation (15'):***
"The Voice on the Other End of the Line"

Fivos Varthalitis, *Head of AI, NBG*

11:50-12:00 ***Presentation (10'):***

Stefan Korfas*, Co-Founder & CEO, Revox AI*

SESSION 1: AI Infrastructure & Data

11:00-12:10 ***Panel I: From Data to Super-Infrastructures: Building Greece's AI Ecosystem***

Moderator: Myron Flouris, AICatalyst, Steering Committee, Business Consultant
Speakers:

- **Dimosthenis Anagnostopoulos,** Secretary General, Ministry of Digital Governance
- **Georgios Kanellos**, Chief of Staff to the Special Secretary for AI and Data Governance
- **Alexandros Melidis,** Director General, GFOSS – Greek Free/Open Source Software Society
- **Afrodite Sevasti,** CEO, Pharos AI Factory S.A.
- **Dr Kyriakos Tolias,** Director, National Documentation Centre (EKT)
- **Fotis Panagiotopoulos,** Managing Director, Strategy & Consulting Lead, Accenture Greece

SESSION 2: AI Skills



12:10-12:50 ***Panel II: Cultivating AI Talent: upskilling, reskilling & emerging professional skills***

Moderator: **Fay Makantasi,** Research Director, diaNEOsis
Speakers:

- **Diomidis Spinellis,** Professor, Athens University of Economics and Business
- **Maria Konstantopoulou,** Research Director, NCSR "Demokritos", President of Association of Greek Researchers
- **Nikos Foros,** Marketing, Talent Intelligence Manager, kariera.gr

12:15-13:15 ***Health tech & AI (Parallel Events Hall "Edessa" / On-site only)***

"From Lab to Patient: Building Trust in AI for Healthcare"

Moderator: Ioanna Michalopoulou, *LL.M. Life Sciences & Medical Technology lawyer, Managing Partner Michalopoulou & Associates, Head of Health Sector, AI Catalyst*

Speakers:

- ***Afrodite Sevasti,*** *CEO, Pharos AI Factory S.A.*
- ***Dr George E. Dafoulas,*** *Digital Health Policy Analyst, Ministry of Digital Governance and AI, Greece*
- ***Thanasis Akalestos,*** *Director, Hellenic Association of Health–Research and Biotechnology Industry (SEIV)*
- ***Elena Linardou****, Medical Oncologist, Director 4th Oncology & Clinical Trials Center, Metropolitan Hospital, Athens*
- ***Yiannis Samiotakis,*** *Vice President, Hellenic Association of Health Informatics (HAHI) - Sales Sector Manager, Uni Systems MAE*
- ***Georgios Papandreou,*** *MSc, Co-Founder & Chief Financial Officer, CibusMed*
- ***Agis Georgiou,*** *AI & Data Science Expert | Founder / Co-founder, intelligent-acceleration.com & agisgeorgiou.com | AI Catalyst HealthTech Team Member*

12:50-13:50 **Networking – Lunch Break**

SESSION 3: Funding AI Opportunities



13:50-14:50 ***Panel III: Investing in the Future of AI: from Venture Capital to Development Programs and Bank Financing***

Moderator: Christos Konstas, Journalist
Speakers:

- **Stellina Siarapi,** Secretary General for Private Investments, Ministry of Development
- **Haris Lampropoulos,** President, Hellenic Development Bank of Investments (HDBI)
- **Periklis Terlixidis,** Director General, Smart Attica
- **Panagis Magdalinos, PhD**, AI and Technology Innovation Director, National Bank of Greece

14:00-14:30 ***AI for Contact Centers (Parallel Events Hall "Edessa" / On-site only)***

Presentation:
"Beyond the Voicebot: Voice AI Agents That Get Work Done"
A voicebot that talks is easy. One that resolves cases in your CRM, speaks your customer's language, and passes an AI Act audit is not. Choose a Voice AI that delivers. From Day One.

Speaker:
Anna Bodek, *AI Business Development Manager, yarrl S.A. / UpCominds*

14:30-15:15 ***AI in Maritime: From Today's Reality to Tomorrow's Possibilities (Parallel Events Hall "Edessa" / On-site only)***

Moderator: Dr. Sofia Papadimitriou*, Senior Legal Counsel, External Associate and Researcher, University of the Aegean - Member, Maritime Vertical AI Catalyst - Coordinator for Maritime Affairs, Secretariat for Commercial, Industry and Business Affairs*

Speakers:

- ***Dr. Matthew Maheras,*** *President, AMMITEC*
- ***Dr. Christos Moridis,*** *Founder & CEO, NetValue Systems*
- ***Dr. Panagiotis Nomikos,*** *Maritime A.I. Consultant*
- ***Thomas Papacharizanos,*** *Consultant Engineer, DNV*

SESSION 4: AI Digital Transformation & Governance

14:50-15:00 Keynote Speech:

Dr Stavros Pitoglou, Chief Technical Officer & Head of Research, Computer Solutions S.A.



15:00-15:40 ***Panel IV: AI Digital Transformation & Governance: strategy, implementation & responsible AI***

Moderator: John Leondaris, Journalist
Speakers:

- **Dr. Kostas Flokos,** CEO, UpcoMinds group of companies
- **Spyros Pazianas,** Chief Executive Officer, Computer Solutions S.A.
- **Leonidas Papadopoulos,** Founder & CEO, Helios Brain

15:15-16:00 ***Quantum in practice: from "what is it" to "this is what we do on Monday" (Parallel Events Hall "Edessa" / On-site only)***

Moderator: Antonis Argyros, *Founder, Deploy Quantum & Greek Quantum Gate*

Speakers:

- ***Christos Papalitsas,*** *Research Associate, Institute of Quantum Computing and Quantum Technology, Demokritos National Centre for Scientific Research, Senior Manager, Scientific Computing & HPC, Pfizer*
- ***Dr. Aikaterini Mandilara, PhD in Physics,*** *Quantum Technologies Researcher, Eulambia Advanced Technologies Ltd, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (NKUA) – Department of Informatics and Telecommunications*

SESSION 5: AI Future

15:40-16:50 ***Panel V: The next day of AI: technology, society, defence & national strategy***

Moderator: Myron Flouris, AICatalyst, Steering Committee, Business Consultant
Speakers:

- **Dimitris Terzis,** Secretary General for Research and Innovation, General Secretariat for Research and Innovation (GSRI)
- **Mihalis Kritikos, PhD**, Secretary of the European Group on Ethics in Science and New Technologies (EGE), European Commission, DG Research & Innovation |SCIENCE for POLICY, ADVICE & ETHICS Unit *(Remote)*
- **Giorgos Nounesis,** President, National Research, Technology and Innovation Council (ESETEK)
- **Konstantinos Karalas,** Engineering Manager, AI Engineering, STHENOS AI (part of EFA GROUP)
- **Dimitris Dimitriadis,** Founder & CIO, Cogniveil.ai *(Remote)*

16:50-17:00 **Conclusions – End of the Event**

Please note:

Live streaming will be available exclusively for the main conference.

Parallel sessions and workshops will not be streamed online.