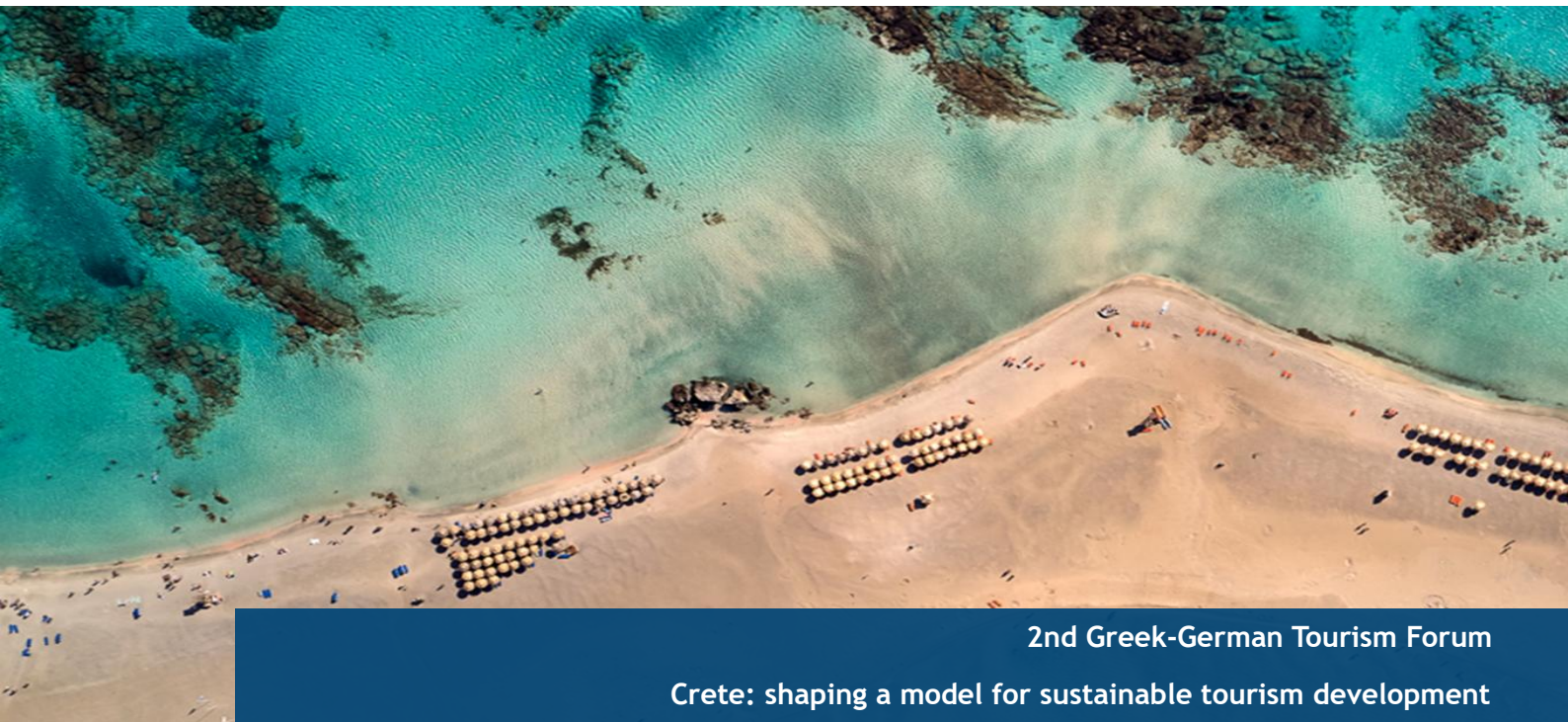




2nd Greek-German Tourism Forum

Crete: shaping a model for sustainable tourism development

Heraklion, Crete, 12th November 2026

PROGRAM

Thursday 12th November 2026

08:30-09:00
(EEST time)

Registration

09:00-09:20

Opening

- Andreas Kindl, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Germany in Athens
- Prof. Agis M. Papadopoulos, President, German-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce and Industry
- Stavros Arnaoutakis, Governor of Crete
- Albin Loidl, Chairman, German Travel Association (DRV)

09:20-09:40

Addresses

- Kostis Chatzidakis, Vice-President of the Greek Government *
- Thomas Ellerbeck, Member of Group Executive Committee, Group Director Corporate & External Affairs & Chief Sustainability Officer, TUI Group

09:40-10:40

**1st Panel
Tourism Investments on a Growth Trajectory**

Round table discussion

- Kyriakos Kotsoglou, Vice-Governor for Tourism, Region of Crete
- Minas Papadakis, Managing Director, Heraklion Port Authority
- Charis Siganos, Managing Director, Zeus International
- Albin Loidl, Chairman, German Travel Association (DRV)

10:40-11:00

Coffee break

11:00-12:00

2nd Panel

Destination 365 - All Seasons Tourism

Round table discussion

- Michalis Vlatakis, President, Tourism and Travel Agencies of Crete
- Antonis Stamnas, Director of Sales, Grecotel
- Marina Valvi, Corporate Affairs & Communications Director, Aegean
- Nikos Anastasiou, Managing Director, Heraklion International Airport, Crete

12:00 -12:55

3rd Panel

Hospitality-Medical Tourism: in Crete with safety

Round table discussion

- Dionysios Papadopoulos, CFO & Vice-President, Siemens Healthineers Hellas
- Zaki Antar, International Patients Programs Director, Health Spot Network CEO
- Claudia Wagner, Managing Director, FIT Reisen
- Representative from German Insurance company *

12:55 - 13:00

Closing: Grigoris Tasios, Chairman, Tourism Committee, German-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce and Industry

13:00 -13:30

Light Lunch

13:30 - 17:30

B2B meetings between German Tour Operators and Cretan tourism enterprises (travel agencies, hotels, restaurants, rental companies, service providers, etc.)

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