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| 11:00 – 11:20 | <p><u>Synopsis of investment activity – Regulations issues –The role of HVCA</u></p> <p>Vassilis Takas President & CEO, Thermi Ventures Vice Chairman HVCA</p> |
| 11:20 – 12:20 | <p><u>Emerging opportunities for investments</u></p> <p>Panel Discussion <i>The current financial crisis has led to the creation of a unique investment environment in more ways than one. Investors have become more adverse to risk and companies are facing a credit crunch. As a result investment activity declined—initially. Nature, however, hates vacuums - and so do markets. Investors are now seeking out safer but still profitable investment opportunities—and these do exist. And companies are investigating the use of alternative financial instruments—and these do exist as well. Where are these new investment opportunities to be found? Which are these new financial instruments? Is private equity and venture capital industry in a position to seize the opportunity and contribute to this development, while obtaining satisfactory returns for investors?</i></p> <p>Pantelis Vernikos, Vice Chairman & Managing Director, Alpha Ventures Paschalis Bouchoris, Venture Partner, NBGI Spyros Papadatos, CEO, IBG Management Ioannis Pantousis, CEO, LogoVentures Stavros Siokos, Chairman, Piraeus Capital Manthos Tziamourtas, CEO, New Mellon Asset and Wealth Management Moderator: Zois Tsolis, Journalist</p> |
| 12:20 – 12:45 | Coffee break |
| 12:45 - 13:45 | <p><u>The crisis and its aftermath: Creative or downright destruction?</u></p> <p>Panel Discussion <i>The financial as well as the real economy crisis has had a negative impact on the financial standing and the market prospects of most companies. Identifying the multi-diverge impact of this crisis and formulating distress strategies is now essential for investment managers. What are the developments in these two interrelated fields? Where and how has this crisis impacted most? How does the market plan to assist and deal with companies already or potentially in portfolios? What are the critical characteristics of a company that is likely to survive and even become stronger after the crisis—provided it receives equity investment? Are mergers and/or acquisitions a useful instrument to overcome certain financial difficulties –mainly through the (re)establishment of economies of scale? Does “the market” consider the current situation as a great chance for realistic valuations and profitable investments? Is cherry picking harder or easier today?</i></p> <p>Yannis Papadopoulos, CEO, Attica Ventures Menelaos Tassopoulos, Head Private Equity, EFG Spyros Martsekis, Director, KPMG Spyros Trahanis, Director, Oxygen Capital Zaharias Palexas, Managing Director, Parthenon Trust Moderator: Charalampos Papadimitriou, Journalist</p> |
| 13:45 – 14:45 | Lunch |
| 14:45 – 15:00 | <p><u>Entrepreneurs & Investors: Aligning Expectations to Close Deals</u></p> <p>Ed Frank Founder, Boot Camp Ventures</p> |
| 15:00 – 15:45 | <p><u>Success venture capital stories</u></p> <p>Markos Veremis, Chairman, Upstream Constantine Polychronopoulos, Founder & Chief Technology Officer, Bytemobile Moderator: Antonis Kefalas, Journalist</p> |
| 15:45 – 16:45 | <p><u>Time for partnerships</u></p> <p>Panel Discussion <i>Greece is a relatively small and inward looking country. Does it offer significant potential for investments – and if yes of which kind? Are the financial instruments in place considered to be adequate for modern business? Do we witness encouraging initiatives both from the private and the public sector but, we fail to measure their effectiveness and their positive impact on the entrepreneurial community or not? Is part of the problem that everyone in Greece has adopted a “go it alone” attitude? Are conditions conducive for an effort to streamline interests? Collaborate in order to create multiple opportunities built on the totality of each separate and unique expertise. Would such a development offer new and multidimensional focuses?</i></p> <p>Christos Tsangos, CEO, Microsoft Hellas Vassilios Makios, General Director, Corallia Clusters Initiative Nikolaos Haritakis, Vice Chairman & CEO, TANE0 Nikos Domenikos, Chairman, TEMPME Yannis Tsakiris, Head of SE Europe RBD, European Investment Fund Vassilis Tsakalos, Coordinator, PRAXI/HELP-FORWARD Network Moderator: Eleftherios Stavropoulos, Special Secretary for Competitiveness, EPAN</p> |

16:45 – 17:00 **Supporting entrepreneurship**

Kostis Hatzidakis
Minister of Development

17:00 – 17:30 **Coffee break**

17:30 – 18:30 **Easy steps for an SME to overcome crisis**

Seminar *Sponsored by KPMG*

18:30 – 19:30 **OpenCoffee session**

WEDNESDAY 17 JUNE 2009

09:00 – 20:00 **Prearranged bilateral business meetings *(by invitation only)***