



## **IFGLC TO HOLD THIRD INTERNATIONAL FORUM IN ATHENS: ZAPPEEION MEGARON**

**Tampa, Florida.** The International Foundation for Greek Language and Culture (IFGLC) announces that its third **International Educational Forum** will take place in Athens June 2-4, 2005, at the historic Zappeion Megaron. The theme this year is “*Hellenic Paideia and Classical Values: Models for Political and Economic Activities*”, and as always the event is free to the public. Distinguished participants from academia, business and public service, including the president and prime minister of the Hellenic Republic, are expected to attend. **Dr. Dennis Koutras** is chairman of the event, and for more information about the Forum, please contact him in Athens at (0011-30) **210-348-5352**, or contact **Ms. Olga Gratsaniti of iForce** at (0011-30) **210-339-2500**. **Dr. John Balis** represents IFGLC headquarters on the Forum committee.

Speakers from the Hellenic Republic include **His Eminence Christodoulos** Archbishop of All Greece, **The Honorable Karolos Papoulias**, president of the Republic, **Dr. Emmanuel Bechrakis**, ophthalmologist and president of IFGLC-Athens, **The Honorable Marietta Giannakou**, Minister of Ethnic Education and Religion, **The Honorable Dr. Panayiotis Skandalakis**, Minister of Foreign Affairs, **The Honorable Demetris Avramopoulos**, Minister of Tourism, **The Honorable Peter Doukas**, Minister of the Economy, **The Honorable Charles Ries**, U.S. Ambassador to Greece, **The Honorable Christos Zachopoulos**, General Secretary of the Ministry of Culture, **The Honorable Ismene Kriari-Katrani**, Special Secretary of Education for the Greeks Abroad and Intercultural Education, **Prof. Evangelos Chrysos**, professor at the University of Athens, **Dr. Georgos Babiniotis**, professor of linguistics and Chancellor of the University of Athens, **Dr. Emmanuel Roukounas**, president of the Academy of Athens, **Dr. Demetris Glaros**, president of the Center for Educational Research, **Dr. Linos Benakis**, scientific associate of the Academy of Athens, **Prof. Panayiotis Bechrakis**, professor of physiology and president of PSISA, **Mr. Yiannis Polites**, journalist, **Mr. Lambros Smailis**, journalist, **Mr. Diamantis Seitaniades**, publisher and president of the National Youth Foundation, **Mr. Konstantinos Zoulas**, publisher, **Prof. Stavros Papamarinopoulos**, professor at the University of Patras, and **Mr. Demetris Germides**, former governor of the National Bank of Greece.

Speakers from the U.S. and U. K. include the following members of the IFGLC leadership: **Dr. Chris P. Tsokos**, president, **Dr. John U. Balis**, Executive Vice-president, **Dr. Demetris Halkias**, Treasurer, **Dr. Ippokratis Kantzios**, Academic Advisor, and **Dr. Niki Kantzios**, Educational Program Coordinator. In addition, the following distinguished speakers will take part:

**Dr. J. Peter Euben**, Professor of Political Science and Kenan Distinguished Fellow in Ethics, Duke University

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The title of Dr. Peter Euben's talk is: "*Engaging Hellenism: The Political Education of Athenian Democracy*".

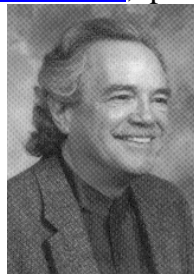


Dr. Euben received his PhD from the University of California at Berkeley. His areas of specialization include ancient and modern political thought; literature and politics; political education; democratic culture and politics; and the politics of morality. The author of numerous books and articles on ancient and modern democracy, he has received fellowships from the National Science Foundation, the Social Studies Research Council, National Humanities Foundation and the Princeton Center for the Study of Human Values.

**Dr. Richard E. Rubenstein**, Professor of Conflict Resolution and Public Affairs,

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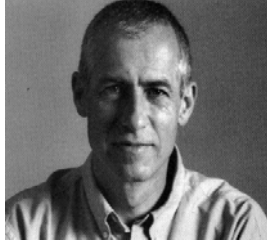


The title of Dr. Richard Rubenstein's talk (35-40 min.) is: "*Hellenic Paideia and International Conflict Resolution: Beyond the Clash of Civilizations*"

Dr. Rubenstein is a graduate of Harvard College, Oxford University (Rhodes Scholar) and Harvard School of Law. An expert on terrorism, among other subjects, he has authored numerous books, among them Aristotle's Children, the story of how the joint study of Aristotle's newly discovered natural histories by Christians, Jews and Moslems in Medieval Spain transformed Europe.

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The title of Mr. Waterfield's talk (35-40 min) is "*Common Structures in Ancient Greek Politics*"



Mr. Waterfield, a prolific and respected translator of more than twenty volumes of Greek philosophy, plays and history, is also the author of a wide range of books, among them a comprehensive history of the city of Athens. He has taught at Williams College and St. Andrew's University (Scotland) in the UK and worked in publishing. He divides his time between London and the Peloponnesos, where he tends his olive groves.

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The title of Mr. Rouvelas' talk is "*Classical Greece and Modern Corporate Ethics.*"



Mr. Rouvelas is chairman of a 150-member law firm in Washington, DC, engaged in government counseling and lobbying. He is a recognized authority in ocean shipping law and has advised many of the world's CEOs. He has also served as an advisor to two presidential transitions, Congressional caucuses, members of the House and Senate, and other government agencies, as well as teaching corporate ethics and federal policy.

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Mrs. Rouvelas, who received her degree in history from the American University, is the author of the best-selling Guide to Greek Traditions and Customs in America and editor of several popular books on Orthodoxy. She has done research for the Atlantic Monthly Magazine and been on the production staff of WETA public television and the Discovery Channel. She is active in the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of North and South America.

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