

**XIX CONFERENCE OF PRESIDENTS/SPEAKERS OF PARLIAMENTS
OF THE ADRIATIC & IONIAN INITIATIVE
Ioannina, Greece, May 22-23, 2025**

PROGRAMME

Thursday, May 22, 2025

Arrival of delegations

Transfer from the airport to the hotel and accommodation

16.00 – 18.00 Registration (Secretariat Desk - Hotel Lobby)

18.00 Departure by bus - Guided tour to the **Silversmithing Museum** in the Castle of Ioannina

20.00 Official dinner hosted by the President of the Hellenic Parliament Mr. **Nikitas M. Kaklamanis**

Venue: Restaurant Frontzou Politia (address: Hill of Agia Triada, Ioannina, 45333)

Friday, May 23, 2025

Venue: Hotel Du Lac Congress & Spa meeting room: *Pandora C*

10.00 - 10.30 Opening session Ceremony.

Welcome address: Mr. **Nikitas M. Kaklamanis**, President of the Hellenic Parliament

Address: Ambassador Mr. **Giovanni Castellaneta**, Secretary General of the Adriatic Ionian Initiative

10.30 – 12.15 Session 1: «The European perspective and the course of the Western Balkans».

Chair: Mr. **Nikitas M. Kaklamanis**, President of the Hellenic Parliament.

Key note speaker: Mr. **Vangelis Meimarakis**, Former President of the Hellenic Parliament, Member of the European Parliament's Committee on Foreign Affairs (AFET)

Key note speaker: Mr. **Dimitrios Skalkos**, Secretary General for International Economic Affairs, Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Debate

12.15 - 12.30	Family photo
12.45 – 14.15	Lunch hosted by the President of the Hellenic Parliament, Mr. Nikitas M. Kaklamanis (<i>Venue: Myrtali restaurant, Hotel Du Lac Congress & Spa Restaurant</i>)
14.30 – 16.00	Session 2: «The diversification of tourism supply in the Adriatic-Ionian Region ». Chair: Mr. Nikitas M. Kaklamanis , President of the Hellenic Parliament Key note speaker: Mrs. Olga Kefalogianni , Minister of Tourism Key note speaker: Mr. Apostolos Tzitzikostas , Commissioner for Sustainable Transport and Tourism (by video message) Debate
16.00 – 16.30	Adoption of the Joint Statement and closing remarks by the President of the Hellenic Parliament, Mr. Nikitas M. Kaklamanis .
	End of the Conference / Departure of delegations