WeMakeFuture WORLDWIDE EVENT GREECE 2026

"6th WMF STARTUP COMPETITION & CONFERENCE"

19/11/2026 - Aristotle University Research Dissemination Center (KEDEA)
CONFERENCE HALL 1 - 3rd Septembriou, Thessaloniki - metro station: PANEPISTIMIO

PROGRAM

10:00 – 10:30 **REGISTRATION – COFFEE - NETWORKING**

10:30 – 11:10 **WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS**

Mr. Nikolaos K. Margaropoulos, President @Italian-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce of Thessaloniki

Mr. Vito Esposito, Head of Global Partnerships @SearchOn Media Group and creator of WMF

Mr. Michalis Rachmanis, Supervisor of Business Consulting Support of Thessaloniki Chamber of Commerce and Industry (TCCI)

Mr. Konstantinos Gkioulekas, Deputy Minister of Macedonia and Thrace of Greece (TBC)

Mr. Nikolaos Tzollas, Deputy Regional Governor for Digital Governance @Region of Central Macedonia

Representative, @Municipality of Thessaloniki

Representative, @Enterprise Greece S.A.

11:10 – 11:30 **INSTITUTIONAL REMARKS**

Mr. Stavros Kalafatis, Deputy Minister of Development, responsible for Research and Innovation

11:30 - 12:10 **STARTUP COMPETITION - PITCH SESSION 1 (5 startups)**
SeriousMind, YesWeR, Triodrone, my re-HUB, DUTT

12:10 – 12:40 **SPEECHES**

Mr. Spyros Arsenis, Head of Innovative Entrepreneurship Development @NBG Business Seeds, National Bank of Greece

Mr. Georgios Diakomanolis, COO @IRIDA AI Technologies *"From Idea to Success: The WMF Experience"*

12:40 - 13:20 **STARTUP COMPETITION - PITCH SESSION 2 (5 startups)**
EXOVIA INTELLIGENCE, Mirror Trades – Automated Copy Trading Platform, MILQ, VgaleAkri.gr, desto pesto

13:20 – 14:00 **LUNCH BREAK & NETWORKING**

14:00 – 14:20 **SPEECHES**

Mrs. Natalia Shchelovanova, Global Open innovation and Startups ecosystem Director @InnovEcoS – CRIF, *"Find Us. Or Let Us Find You. How startups enter the corporate radar and turn visibility into partnership"*

Prof. Nikolaos Fachantidis, Director of Informatics & Robotics for Education and Society lab, Founder & Director of Robotics Academy @University of Macedonia

14:20 - 15:00 **STARTUP COMPETITION - PITCH SESSION 3 (5 startups)**
Mind The Hair, Taxlayer, askHermis, Tennis Log, Perfectaki Able

15:00 – 15:15 **CONCLUDING REMARKS**

Mr. Lambros Kaoudis, Innovation Expert @Italian-Hellenic Chamber of Commerce of Thessaloniki

Mr. Tommaso Ruggieri, Institutional Relations Lead, PM & Summits Manager @SearchOn Media Group & WMF

15:15 – 15:30 **STARTUP AWARDS**

15:30 **NETWORKING**

MODERATOR and PRESENTATION:
Mr. Dimitris Diamantidis, Journalist

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