



## Scientific conference

**The EU enlargement to the Western Balkans  
Wednesday, 10 May 2023, @5pm**

**Amphitheater, Central Library Aristotle University of Thessaloniki**

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## Programme

- 17.00 Arrival of participants and registration
- 17.00-17.30 Welcoming addresses  
Panagiotis Glavinis, Professor, Dean of the Faculty of Law, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki  
Petros Stagkos, Professor emeritus, President, Center for the European Legal Culture  
Ioannis Papageorgiou, professor, Chair of the Department of Political Sciences, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
- 17.30 – 19.00 **“The EU enlargement and the impact on the Western Balkans”**  
Moderator, Panagiotis Glavinis  
Dragan Tilev, State Counselor for EU Affairs, and coordinator at the Government of the Republic of North Macedonia  
Agon Batusha, member of the Kosovo Assembly, Committee on European Integration  
Pedja Mitrovic, consultant, policy analyst to the Government of Serbia  
Ilir Melo, Director, Department for the Region and Neighbouring Countries  
Albanian Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs.  
Q&A
- 19.00-19.30 Coffee break
- 19.30-20.30 **“The Western Balkans accession - Challenges and opportunities for the EU and Greece”**  
Moderator, Lina Papadopoulou  
**Anna Vezyroglou (tbc)**, Deputy Head of Unit, European Commission, DG NEAR  
**George Karypsiadis**, Legal Advisor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Greece
- 20.30 Conclusions and closing of the conference, Ioannis Papageorgiou

