Ages of Globalization

"The Conscious Global Citizen in Action" Workshops

1-day pilot project of experiential workshops based on the Ages of Globalization (AoG) Framework

Structure of the Workshops event

Date: Saturday, 28th November 2026 | **Time:** 09:00 - 19:00

Location: Athens University of Economics and Business (AUEB), Troias Building. View Map

Target Group: University students aged 18-24 and selected 17-years olds from diverse academic backgrounds with interest and commitment to sustainability, global citizenship, collaboration and leadership. English fluency required.

Workshops: Nine 90-minute workshops over three periods

Co-Organizers:

SDSN Greece/AUEB: Prof. Phoebe Koundouri (Chair SDSN Global Climate Hub & SDSN Europe); Prof. Yiannis Ioannidis (Co-Chair SDSN Gr), Dr. Yannis Arampatzidis (Co-Manager SDSN Gr); Mary Psilou (Manager, Communications & Outreach SDSN)
SDSN/Ages of Globalization: Melina Nicolaides (AoG Ambassador)
Center for Sustainable Development (CSD), Climate School, Columbia University: Dr. Radhika Iyengar (Director of Education)

AoG Supporters:

Prof. Tzina Kalogirou, Professor of Modern Greek Literature and Literature Teaching, University of Athens
Assoc. Prof. George Malandrakis, School of Education, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
Valia Loutrianaki, Arsakeia Schools, Global Schools Program Advocate SDSN, Hell. Assn. for the Promotion of Rhetoric in Education

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Event Program:

Opening Remarks *(Troias Amphitheatre)*

09.00 - 09:30*: Welcoming and Keynote Speech, Prof. Phoebe Koundouri*

10.00 - 11.30: 1st Round of three parallel workshops

WORKSHOP 1 – Prof. Phoebe Koundouri & Argyri Dimitrakopoulou: "**From Climate Awareness to Collective Action: Athens Climate Hub**"
Room T102

WORKSHOP 2 - Valia Loutrianaki: "**Think Global – Act Local: Athens 2035: A Youth Policy Lab**"
Room T103

WORKSHOP 3 - George Malandrakis: "**From Global Responsibility to Collective Climate Choices**"
Room T105

11.30 - 12.00: Coffee break (Atrium)

12.00 - 13.30: 2nd Round of parallel workshops

WORKSHOP 1 - Valia Loutrianaki: "**From 'I' to 'We': Rhetoric, Empathy and Democratic Action in a Globalized World**"
Room T102

WORKSHOP 2 - George Malandrakis: "**Local Climate Policies for Just & Sustainable Urban Futures**"
Room T103

WORKSHOP 3 - Eleni Petra & Hezal Dilan Sari: "**Circular Connections: From Waste to Opportunity: Exploring Industrial Symbiosis & Sustainable Manufacturing with EXCEED**"
Room T105

13.30 - 14.45 Lunch and Networking (Atrium)

15.00 - 15.20: *Keynote speaker, Prof. Jeffrey Sachs | Online from NYC (Troias Amphitheatre)*

15.30 - 17.00: 3rd Round of parallel workshops

WORKSHOP 1 - Valia Loutrianaki & George Malandrakis, Radhika Iyengar, Melina Nicolaides: "**7 Ages - 7 Voices: Human Stories of Globalization"** Room T102

WORKSHOP 2 - Dr. Nikos Stasinopoulos: "**The Future as a skill. Futures Literacy and Platformization of Education BuildSkills Academy Platform**" Room T103

WORKSHOP 3 - Dr. Ioannis Arampatzidis: "**From Global Climate Commitments to Local Action: Exploring Sustainable Futures with the SDSN Global Climate Hub"**
Room T105

17:00 - 17:15 Coffee break (Atrium)

17.15 - 19.00: *Closing Ceremony (Troias Amphitheatre)*

- Presentations of Participants (one presentation for each workshop)
- Closing Address: Prof. Yannis Ioannidis, Co-Chair of SDSN Greece

Workshop facilitators:

Prof. Phoebe Koundouri (AE4RIA)
Argyri Dimitrakopoulou (Global Shapers Athens Hub, Co-Leader)
Eleni Petra (ATHENA RC/AE4RIA)
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Dr. Nikos Stasinopoulos (AE4RIA)
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Dr. George Malandrakis (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki)
Valia Loutrianaki (Assn. for Rhetoric, MA of Rhetoric-EKPA, GSP Advocate)

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