

## Economic News

- According to the revised data from the Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT), Gross Domestic Product (GDP) grew by 1,5% in 2017 compared with 2016, against an increase of 1.4% that was announced as a first estimate in March 2018.
- The compression of Athens Stock exchange indices continued during October 2018 (20,2% drop overall in 2018), mainly due the uncertainty around the 4 Greek systemic banks (and their capital adequacy). Market capitalization of ASE lost €7,6b since the beginning of the year, and almost half of it in October.
- Fitch Ratings upgraded Alpha Bank's and National Bank of Greece's Long-Term Issuer Default Ratings (IDR) to 'CCC+' from 'RD' and Eurobank's and Piraeus Bank's Long-Term IDR to 'CCC' from 'RD'. At the same time, Fitch has upgraded the four banks Short-Term IDRs to 'C' from 'RD'. Also, Fitch Rating upgraded Alpha Bank's mortgage covered bond program to BB+ from BB- with stable outlook.
- Eurobank has entered into an agreement with the consortium of B2Holding ASA and Waterfall Asset Management, to sell a non-performing loan portfolio of total outstanding principal €1,1b (of which c. €1b on balance sheet) and of total notional value of €2b. The portfolio consists of unsecured consumer loans. The servicing of the portfolio will remain with Financial Planning Services (FPS), the 100% Eurobank owned licensed NPL service. The consideration was c. 6% in terms of total unpaid principal. According to Eurobank, the transaction will be P&L and capital neutral for Eurobank.
- Attica Bank announced the completion of the sale of subordinated bond of securitized NPE portfolio to TOCU Europe II. The Luxembourg based company an affiliate of PIMCO, paid the amount of €47m for the transfer of the Junior Note that was issued under the securitization of the Transaction loans. Quant Master Services undertook the management of non-performing exposures amounting to € 700,5m.
- During May - August 2018, the Ministry of Labour did 4.815 inspections to hospitality related companies and imposed 1.049 fines for a total amount of €4,34m (a 26,9% rate of labour violations).

Category	October 2018	Previous Month	Previous Year
Economic Sentiment	101,0 ↔	101,3	98,5
Athens Stock Exchange	640,15 ↓	691,69	759,3
10year Greek bond yield	4,37% ↑	4,17%	5,59%
€/\$	1,1484 ↓	1,1659	1,1756
€/£	0,88272 ↓	0,89281	0,89071
Rating Agency	Fitch	Moody's	S&P
GR Credit Rating	BB-	B3	B+

## Impact News

- Piraeus Bank will finance the development of the Thriassio Transit Center. The Center will significantly increase freight transport by rail and promote Greece as a major freight hub in the trans-European transport network. The new Thriassio Transit Center is expected to become operational in 2024. The 588 - acre concession agreement for 60 years was signed between the Greek State, GAIOSE and the company THEK SA, which will carry out the project and with 80% of ETVA Industrial Area and 20% of Goldair. The financing of the project, circa €200m, will be carried out with the participation of the company THEK SA, and a loan from Piraeus Bank, which is a shareholder of ETVA Industrial Area of 65%.
- Titan Group decided to transfer its headquarters to Brussels as well as to be listed on Euronext Brussels, aiming to support its independent, international growth trajectory (secondary listings with the Athens Exchange and Euronext Paris).

## Business News

- Piraeus Bank signed a financing agreement of €40m with Thomas Cook Hotel Investments (TCHI), a joint venture between Thomas Cook plc and LMEY Investments AG. Piraeus Bank is the sole financial partner of TCHI in Greece and the financing will be used to invest in local hotel properties.
- Auberge Resorts announced that the company has entered into a strategic partnership with the Libra Group, owners of Grace Hotels. Auberge will welcome five award-winning Grace properties in Europe and the northeastern United States into the Auberge Resorts Collection portfolio. Expansion by including additional properties currently under development will further enhance the portfolio over the next two years. The existing Grace properties and those in the pipeline will be branded under the Auberge Resorts Collection name and managed by the Auberge team. As part of the agreement, the Libra Group will have a strategic interest in Auberge Resorts Collection, establishing a relationship between two family-owned companies that share a passion for the highest quality experiences and advancing Auberge's vision for creating a collection of the best-loved luxury properties in the world.
- The historical television network, Mega Channel, (first private television station in Greece, 1989), stopped broadcasting on October 28. The channel continues to broadcast on pay-TV platforms as well as through online streaming from its webpage. Since 2012, MEGA has had financial problems but most notably a considerable divergence between its shareholders that led to a no show for a broadcasting licence in the latest tender.
- The British American Tobacco announced its strategy for €150m investment in Greece until the end of 2019 for the development of its new product glo (a hybrid electronic device which fuses tobacco with heating and vaping technology).

## Inventio News

- Inventio published its first Report: "Economy at a Glance", a brief and comprehensive report regarding the latest developments in Greek Economy. It also issued an initiating coverage of the Greek Logistics Market: "Logistics Market at a Glance". Both reports are available in the Insight section of our website, please click [here](#). More public and premium reports will be available soon.
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## Main Deals

Investor	Asset	Amount	Seller	Description
GroCapital Holding	SABA	€-	National Bank of Greece	99.83% share in South African Bank of Athens to GroCapital Holdings Limited (Afgri Holdings Proprietary, Fairfax Financial Holdings and Public Investment Corporation SOC)
Trainose	EESSTY	€22m <small>Enterprise Value</small>	HRADF	TRAINOSE SA, a subsidiary of Ferrovie Dello Stato Italiane S.p.A., acquired 100% share of EESSTY SA (ROSCO)
Lampsa HH	Hotel Unit	€7,7m <small>Consideration</small>	Golf Residencies	50% share of Sheraton Rhodes Resorts. Lampsa became 100% owner of the hotel. A 400 rooms hotel unit located in Ixia, Rhodes.
Trastor Reic	Office spaces	€2,78m		Auction for the acquisition of a) 1,605 sqm office space in a modern Business Complex, located at 270 Kifissias Ave b) 212 sqm office space, located on a listed property at Filellinon & Othonos Str.
Briq Properties	Hotel Mr. & Mrs White Paros	€3,5m		A luxurious 4 star hotel situated in Naoussa, Paros. 3 separate properties, total land area of 4,468 sqm and 49 rooms. It is leased to HotelBrain.
Trastor Reic	Retail Store	€2,5m		Retail store at the commercial high street of Voukourestiou, in the center of Athens. It has a total surface area of 138 sq.m. and is fully let
Mytilineos	EP.AL.ME	€20m <small>Enterprise Value</small>		97.87% share in EP.AL.ME. S.A. (Aluminum Processing – Metal Industry), operates in industrial production, processing and trading of metals, aluminium alloys and derivative products.
Value Touristiki/Dimand	Office Building	€10,9m		14,427sqm stand-alone office building In Neos Kosmos (former "Eleftherotypia" building). Grivalia signed a pre-agreement for the acquisition of the company shares after the completion of the refurbishment to a contemporary commercial asset.
Invel Real Estate and Dolphin Capital Partners	Hotel Resort	€6,6m <small>Consideration</small>		85,6 share of Nikki Beach Resort & Spa Porto Heli (5 star, 66 room), Following the completion of the deal, Invel owns a 70,4% share and Dolphin a 15,2 share in the hotel. The remaining 14,4% share is in the ownership of Oakhill Advisors. According to the terms of the agreement, Dolphin will continue to manage the venture under a different management team. Sellers: Dolphin Capital Investors, Fortress Investment and Monarch Alternative Capital
Mytilineos	M & M Gas Co		Motor Oil	Agreement to acquire all shares (50%) owned by MOTOR OIL in M & M GAS CO SA. Post completion of this agreement, MYTILINEOS will be the sole shareholder (100%) of M & M GAS CO SA. The agreement is subject to the approval of the Regulatory Authority of Energy.
Motor Oil	Alpha Media Group	€33m <small>Enterprise Value</small>	Alpha Media Group	50% share of a) ALPHA satellite television b) ALPHA radio and c) ALPHA radio Kronios
Motor Oil		€73,5m <small>Consideration</small>	Cyprus Popular Bank Public	1) 97.08% share of Investment Bank of Greece S.A 2) 94.52% share of CPB Asset Management A.E.D.A.K. and 3) 100% share of Laiki Factors and Forfaiters S.A.

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