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**PRESS RELEASE**

**Official Opening Ceremony of the Aristotle Innovation Forum at the Thessaloniki  
Concert Hall**

Thessaloniki, 13 May 2026

The Aristotle Innovation Forum—one of the most dynamic innovation forums in Southeastern Europe—is organized by Aristotle University from Sunday, 17 May to Saturday, 23 May 2026.

The official Opening Ceremony will take place on Sunday, 17 May, at 19:00, in the “Emilios Riadis” Hall, Building M2, at the Thessaloniki Concert Hall.

Actor Ieroklis Michaelidis will host the ceremony.

The detailed program of the event is as follows:

**Program**

Opening Video

Greetings

Address by the Rector of Aristotle University, Professor Kyriakos Anastasiadis

**Musical Program**

“Giannis Mantakas” Choir of Aristotle University

Choral Workshop of the Department of Music Studies of Aristotle University

Conductor: Erifyli Damianou

Choir of the 2nd Gymnasium and Lyceum of Pylaia, Thessaloniki

Conductor: Nikoleta Poursanidou

The AIF is held under the auspices of His Excellency the President of the Hellenic Republic, Mr. Konstantinos An. Tasoulas. The forum is organized with the support of the Ministry of Education, Religious Affairs and Sports, the Municipality of

Thessaloniki, and the Region of Central Macedonia, while the Thessaloniki International Exhibition serves as a strategic partner. PPC and Piraeus Bank are among the major sponsors.

The event is not open to the public, and entry requires an invitation.

More information: [Aristotle Innovation Forum](#)

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