The 2020 "Thessaloniki Sustainability Summit" aims to bring together scientists, local authorities, politicians, entrepreneurs and other stakeholders to discuss the sustainable development of cities and ports as nodes connecting land and sea. The international character of the annual Thessaloniki Fair provides an excellent opportunity for bringing together experts from all over the world.

The topic of the summit “Sustainable Cities and Ports” is in accordance with the Agenda 2030 and the United Nations’ Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs) as well as the European Green Deal. The 2020 “Thessaloniki Sustainability Summit” will comprise a series of round-table discussions focusing on subjects of interest.

The presence of government officials and other stakeholders from various countries of the world, due to their participation to the Thessaloniki International Fair, promises high-level panels expected to lead to interesting conclusions and outcomes.

Monday, September 7th (morning), Audimax Faculty of Engineering, AUTh
- Opening, welcome addresses: Rector AUTh, NN (DE), Tzitzikostas 10.00 – 11.00
- Morning sessions: 11.00 – 14.00
  - Sustainable cities: Current status, challenges and opportunities
    Moderator: Prof. N. Moussiopoulos
    Panel: NN (GR), NN (GR), Prof. J. Orphal (KIT)
  - Following the pollution stream: From the rivers to the seas
    Moderator: Prof. N. Theodossiou
    Panel: Prof. J. Krestenitis (AUTh), A. Schmid-Breton (Rhine Protection), NN (ROM)
  - Blue growth
    Moderator: Prof. G. Zarotiadiis
    Panel: D. Dimitriadis, NN1, NN2
- Afternoon sessions: 15.00 – 17.00
  - Sustainable operation of ports
    Moderator: Prof. Ph. Koundouri
    Panel: Thessaloniki, Hamburg, NN
  - Sustainable shipping
    Moderator: Prof. L. Ntziachristos
    Panel: BSH, Danaos, NN

Monday, September 7th (afternoon), German Pavillon at TIF
- Opening, Keynote speeches: Prof. Jeffrey Sachs, Prof. F.-J. Radermacher 18.30 – 19.30
- Wrap up by panel chairs (5 min each) 19.30 – 20.00
- Discussion, concluding remarks 20.00 – 20.30