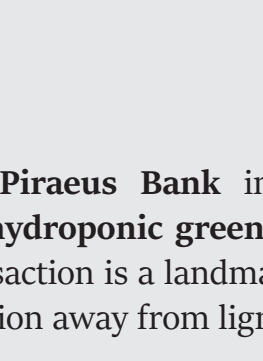


Deals making headlines



Since our last newsletter, AKL:

-acted as Greek legal advisor to **Piraeus Bank** in connection with the financing of **WONDERPLANT S.A.'s greenfield hydroponic greenhouse** and combined heat and power unit in Western Macedonia. The transaction is a landmark sustainable-agriculture investment in a region undergoing energy transition away from lignite.

-acted as lender-side counsel to the **National Bank of Greece** in connection with the financing of **ΜΕΒΓΑΑ's new state-of-the-art yogurt production facility** in Kouphalia, Thessaloniki. The transaction ranks among the largest industrial investments in the Greek dairy sector in recent years.

-acted as Greek legal advisor to the **National Bank of Greece**, as arranger and bondholder representative, in connection with the financing of the modernisation and working-capital needs of **two adjoining hotel units in Kiotari**, on the eastern coast of Rhodes, undertaken by **PREMIA REIC**. The transaction is a clear illustration of blended Recovery Fund and commercial bank financing in the Greek hospitality sector.

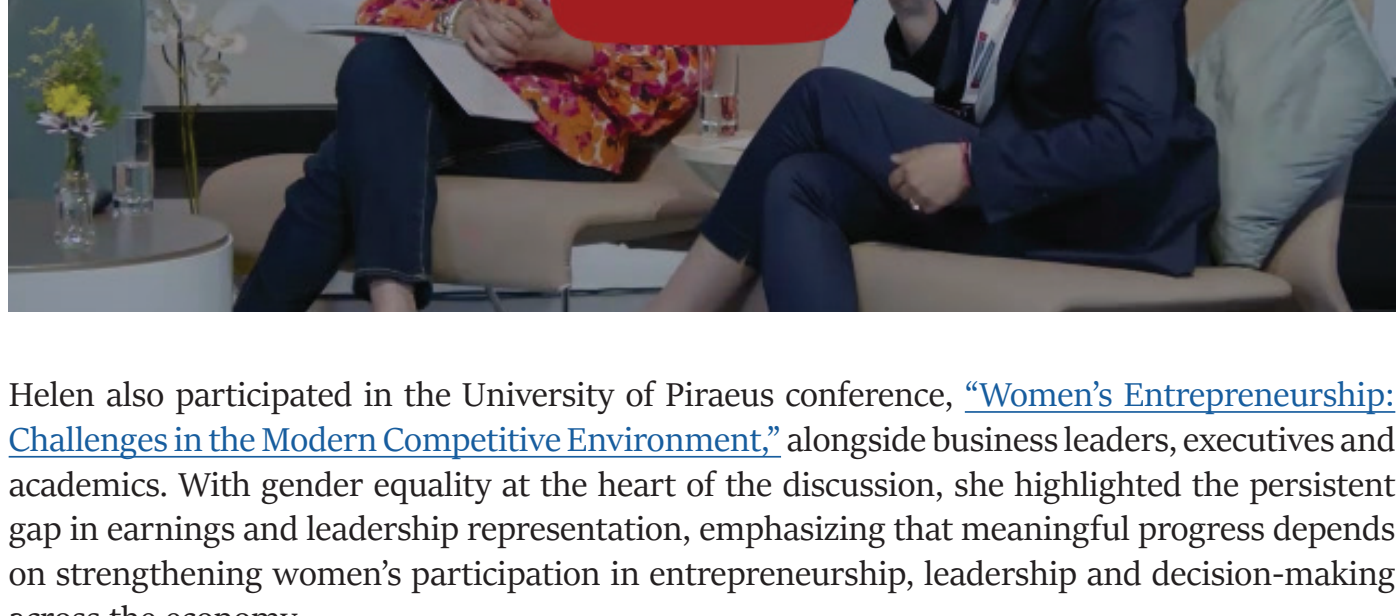
-acted as Greek legal advisor to **Alpha Bank**, as sole lender and mandated lead arranger, in connection with the financing of the acquisition and subsequent expansion of a **fully operational, year-round four-star mountain resort** located within a UNESCO-designated cultural landscape in Northern Greece.

-advised **PREMIA REIC** in connection with its acquisition of the entire share capital of **ΣΥΝΘΕΣΙΣ**, owner of **three established hotel properties** in the Dodecanese. The firm conducted comprehensive buy-side legal due diligence across corporate, real estate, financing, licensing, operational and employment matters.



Red Carpet Highlights

This season brought meaningful opportunities to exchange ideas, connect with peers and contribute to conversations that matter. At the [Women in Law Conference](#), organized by **Nomiki Bibliothiki**, our Managing Partner **Helen Alexiou** joined an inspiring group of women leaders to share experiences and perspectives from across the professional landscape. The discussion highlighted both the different paths women take and the challenges and experiences that continue to unite them.



Helen also participated in the University of Piraeus conference, [“Women's Entrepreneurship: Challenges in the Modern Competitive Environment”](#), alongside business leaders, executives and academics. With gender equality at the heart of the discussion, she highlighted the persistent gap in earnings and leadership representation, emphasizing that meaningful progress depends on strengthening women's participation in entrepreneurship, leadership and decision-making across the economy.



League of Legends

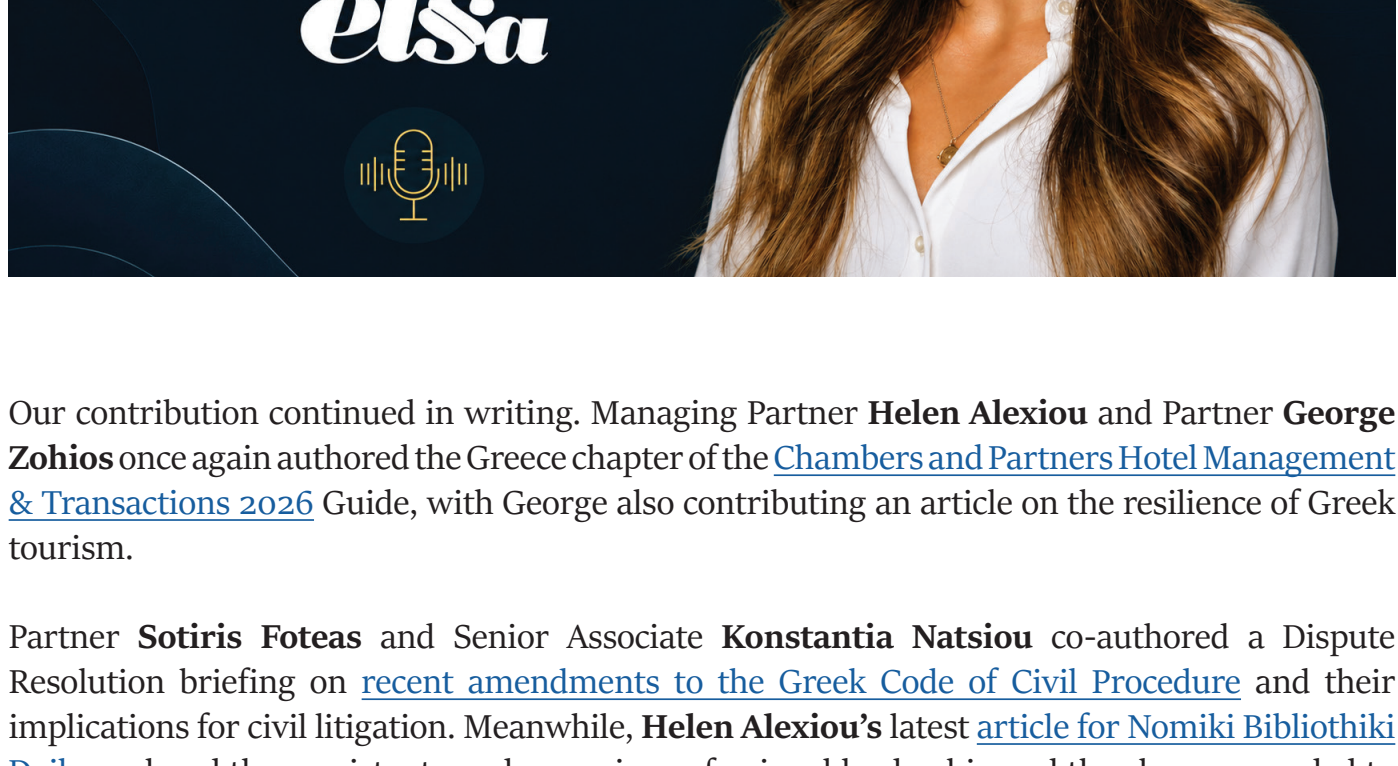
A proud highlight of the season came from the [Women in Business Law Awards EMEA 2026](#), where our Managing Partner Helen Alexiou received the highest number of individual nominations of anyone across the entire EMEA shortlist. She was recognized in three major categories: **Real Estate - Western Europe, Thought Leader of the Year - Western Europe, and the Outstanding Achievement Award**. Several of our Partners were delighted to attend the awards ceremony in London, joining colleagues from across the legal community in celebrating the achievements of women in the profession.

The recognition reflects not only Helen's contribution, but also the depth and quality our team brings to complex real estate and concession transactions, cross-border corporate work and administrative law. More broadly, the awards celebrate women whose expertise, leadership and determination have helped shape the legal profession and open new paths for those following them - making this a milestone worth celebrating as we look ahead to 2027.



Knowledge in Motion

From legal translation and AI to tourism and environmental regulation, this season saw AKL Professionals joined [Alphabet's podcast](#) to discuss the importance of precision in legal translation in the age of AI, while Partner **George Zohios** spoke with Capital.gr about [the transformation of Greece's tourism and hospitality market](#). Associate **Persefoni Ntouchani** also joined the [ELSA Athens "Talks" podcast](#) to explore environmental licensing and the balance between sustainable development and economic growth.



Our contribution continued in writing. Managing Partner **Helen Alexiou** and Partner **George Zohios** once again authored the Greece chapter of the [Chambers and Partners Hotel Management & Transactions 2026](#) Guide, with George also contributing an article on the resilience of Greek tourism.

Partner **Sotiris Foteas** and Senior Associate **Konstantia Natsiou** co-authored a Dispute Resolution briefing on [recent amendments to the Greek Code of Civil Procedure](#) and their implications for civil litigation. Meanwhile, **Helen Alexiou's** latest [article for Nomiki Bibliothiki Daily](#) explored the persistent gender gap in professional leadership and the changes needed to support a more inclusive path to the top.

Women's personal experiences



INTERNATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION Raising the Bar: Women in Law Project

Heart and Soul

Summer also gave us new ways to put our values into action. We launched **AgKaLia** - inspired by the Greek word for “hug” - AKL's new volunteering community, with [a first initiative at EDRA Social Cooperative Activities for Vulnerable Groups in Ilion](#), in collaboration with [Save Your Hood](#).

Our volunteers rolled up their sleeves to refresh the outdoor space with a new bench, colourful flower beds and planters, while AKL supported the initiative with the necessary resources and a donation of medicines to EDRA's Social Pharmacy. It was a fitting beginning for **AgKaLia** and a new chapter in our ongoing commitment to giving back.



That same spirit of community and growth shaped our [summer internship program](#), now in its third consecutive year. Nearly 20 law and high school students spent two weeks discovering Banking & Finance, Corporate, Dispute Resolution and Real Estate alongside our team, while also exploring women's leadership, CSR, AgKaLia initiatives and the importance of bone marrow donation through **Choose Life**.

Their curiosity and enthusiasm - including interest in joining future volunteering initiatives - made the experience especially rewarding.

Here's [a glimpse](#) of what life as an intern at AKL is all about.

