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**ECONOMIST DIMITRI B. PAPADIMITRIOU, PRESIDENT OF THE LEVY ECONOMICS  
INSTITUTE OF BARD COLLEGE AND EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT  
OF BARD COLLEGE, APPOINTED GREECE'S MINISTER OF  
ECONOMY AND DEVELOPMENT**

ANNANDALE-ON-HUDSON, N.Y.— Economist Dimitri B. Papadimitriou, president of the Levy Economics Institute of Bard College and executive vice president and Jerome Levy Professor of Economics at Bard College, has been appointed as Greece's minister of economy and development. As an economist, Papadimitriou has focused on financial structure reform, fiscal and monetary policy, community development banking, employment policy, and the distribution of income, wealth, and well-being. He heads the Levy Institute's macroeconomic modeling team studying and simulating the U.S. and world economies, including extensive research and modeling of the Greek economy. Papadimitriou has been president of the Levy Institute since 1986 and executive vice president, provost, and economics professor at Bard since 1977.

**Dimitri B. Papadimitriou** has authored or coauthored many articles in academic journals and Levy Institute publications relating to Federal Reserve policy, fiscal policy, financial structure and stability, employment growth, and Social Security reform. In 2008, he was instrumental in the republication, by McGraw-Hill, of Hyman P. Minsky's seminal *Stabilizing an Unstable Economy* and *John Maynard Keynes*.

Papadimitriou has testified on a number of occasions at U.S. Senate and House of Representatives committee hearings, was vice-chairman of the Trade Deficit Review Commission of the U.S. Congress from 1999 to 2001, and was a member of the Competitiveness Policy Council's Subcouncil on Capital Allocation from 1993 to 1998. He was a distinguished scholar at the Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences (PRC) in fall 2002. Papadimitriou has edited and contributed to 13 books published by Palgrave Macmillan, Edward Elgar, and McGraw-Hill, and is a member of the editorial boards of the *Journal of Economic Analysis, Challenge*, and the *Bulletin of Political Economy*. In addition, he has served as executive vice president of Bard College at Simon's Rock, Great Barrington, Massachusetts, since 1979; as managing director of Bard College Berlin, Germany (2011–15); and as trustee and treasurer (1992–2013) and chairman (2013– ) of the American Symphony Orchestra. He was a consultant and evaluator of undergraduate and graduate programs in economics for the Greek Ministry of Education from 2002 to 2005 and a member of the graduate faculty of the New School for Social Research from 1975 to 1976. He is a graduate of Columbia University and received a Ph.D. in economics from the New School. He will continue to hold his titles at Bard while on leave.

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