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Θ | (thi-ta)

Letter «Θ» | the eighth letter of the alphabet

θέαμα
Spectacle

θάρρος
Courage

θέα
View

θέληση
Will

θύμηση
Memory

θηλυκό
Female

θάλασσα
Sea



θεός
God

θρύλος
Legend

θέρος
Summer

θεμέλια
Foundation

θρίαμβος
Triumph

θαύμα
Marvel

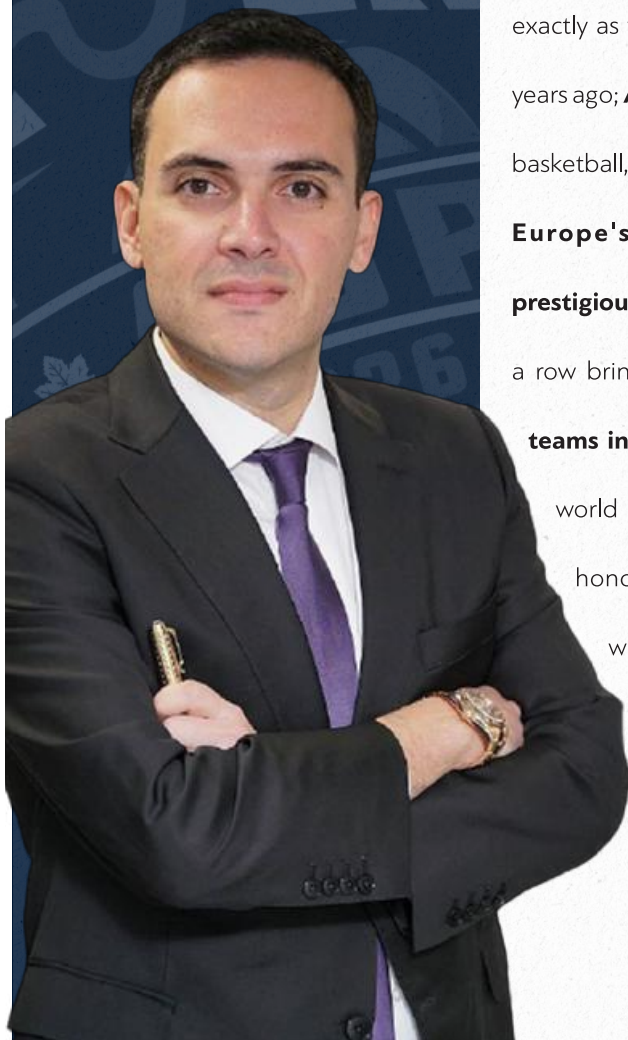
θυσία
Sacrifice

θεσμός
Institution

θέατρο
Theatre

Θέμα | (the-ma)

Subject | the person, thing,
or idea being talked about or shown.



The city of Gods,
The cup of The Legends.

European Women's Basketball Tournament

"In this second year that we open our home to welcome our **special guests**, everything is shaping exactly as we visualized it when we first started two years ago; **Athens being in the epicenter** of women's basketball, and **Athinaikos Qualco being amongst Europe's most ambitious, successful and prestigious teams**. Athens Cup for the **second year** in a row brings together some of the **most talented teams in Europe**, some of the best players in the world and, of course, this year's unparalleled honoree, **Mrs. Natalia Hejkova**. A woman, whose **excellence and longevity** at the top level is an example of the standards we wish to follow".

Haris Politis

Head of the board

Θέα | (the-a)

View | what you see when you
are looking at somethings

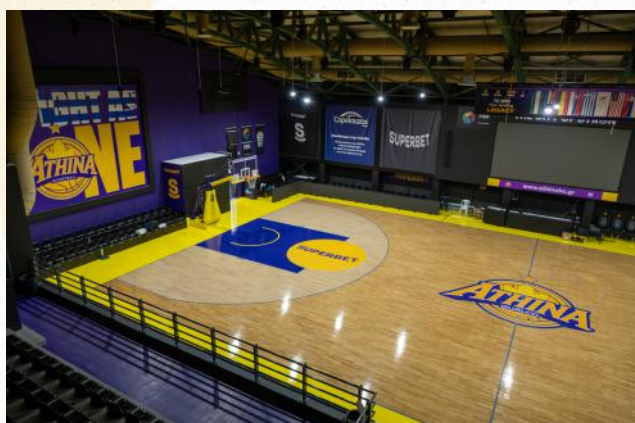
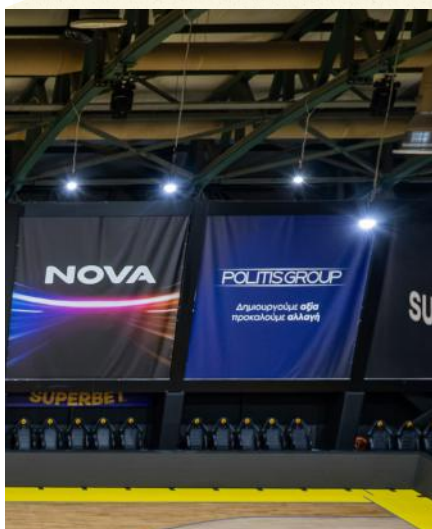
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The home court of Athinaikos Qualco



DIMITRIS KALTSAS BYRON ARENA



Θέατρο | (the-a-tro)

Theater | A place where people go
to watch a unique show.

GA MES SCHEDULE

The city of the **Gods** - The cup of the **Legends**

28/9



VS
17:00



VS
20:00



29/9



VS
17:00



VS
20:00



30/9



VS
17:00



VS
20:00



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Θέση | (the-si)

Opinion | a person's point of view
on a specific subject.

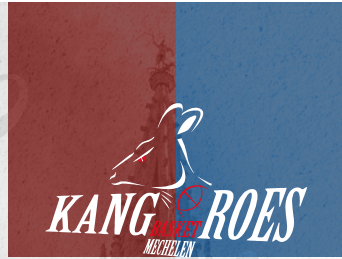
COACHES



“Due to the World Cup, our preparation has been very difficult and extremely limited, as we will practically come together **only a few days before** the start of the Czech league. That is why I am very happy that we were able to **take the opportunity to participate** in the **tournament in Athens**, where we will face EuroLeague teams and have the chance to try out some different things than we normally would against Czech teams. **The tournament will also give** opportunities to some new faces and, since we will not yet have our full roster available, **especially to our younger players**. They will be able to experience playing in a different role, at a different pace and at a higher level than they may be used to. **I am looking forward to the tournament**, and I believe it will be a very valuable experience for our future performances in Europe”.

Martin Bašta
| (USK Praha)





COACHES

“Taking part in the Athens Cup is an important part of our preparation for the EuroLeague season. **We are looking forward to facing strong** European opposition and testing ourselves in a high-level environment. **For us,** it is about competing, learning and continuing to build the identity of our team. **Playing in Athens** is also a great experience for our players and for our club.”

Arvid Diels
| (Kangoeroes Mechelen)



COACHES

“We are really happy and thankful to be part of the **Aθens Cup** this year. For us, it is a very good opportunity to play against **strong European teams**. We have a new season ahead of us and important goals for our organization, so for us every game is important. **Of course**, we want to compete, but at this stage we also need to **improve as a team and develop** the way we want to play. **Our goal** is to get better from game to game, and every time put our best on the floor. **Hopefully, we can play good basketball**, fight until the end in every game and use this experience to be ready for the season”.

Alexandru Olteanu
| (Rapid)

coaches



“Counting down for our first historical EuroLeague journey, we are honored and fortunate to welcome three prestigious and strong teams in our home court. **The Athens Cup** gives us an excellent opportunity to **test ourselves in the highest lever** against teams that also participate in EuroLeague, while also offering a rare opportunity for basketball fans to watch six outstanding games. **It is a tournament that** can advertise and promote women’s basketball, **enhances our club’s prestige** as a host and gives us an extra motivation to perform at our best”



Ilias Zouros
| (Athinaikos Qualco)

Θέση | (the-si)

Opinion | a person's point of view on a specific subject.

LEADERS



Maite Cazorla

"It's the first time that we are going to play in this tournament, but I think it's a great opportunity for us to prepare the season. It will be good to play against three teams like **Rapid Bucharest, Kangoeroes Mechelen and Athinaikos Qualco**, teams that have experience. This tournament will help us build the chemistry and gain valuable game experience in a competitive environment".

"The Aθens Cup is a great opportunity for us to compete against some of the best teams in Europe and to see where we stand at this stage of our preparation. We want to **embrace the challenge**, play with energy and togetherness, and use every game to become a better team. We are really looking forward to **experiencing the atmosphere in Athens** and competing at this level."

Heleen Nauwelaers



Godri Parau Annemarie

"We are very excited to be part of the Aθens Cup and to have the opportunity to compete in such a great tournament. We are looking forward to **travelling to Athens**, facing strong competition, and enjoying the experience. It will be a great opportunity for our team to prepare for the season, **build team chemistry, and create some great memories together**. We are truly grateful to **Athinaikos Qualco WBC** for the invitation, and we cannot wait to be there!"

"We are delighted to host Aθens Cup for the second consecutive year. This international tournament **brings strong EuroLeague teams to Byron** and gives us the opportunity to face **top level opponents**. These will be our final friendly games before the beginning of a season that we dream of and anticipate for. **Our goal is** to use these games to improve and gain as much as possible ahead of the official competitions. We hope **our fans will come to the gym** and support this effort, enjoy great basketball as well as all the events related to the tournament. **We hope to get this final boost** that we need to begin this new challenge with full force."

Rinepoli Paulopoulou



Θέμελια | (the-me-li-a)

Foundation | the backbone
of the tournament.



HEAD COACH | **Martin Bašta**
ASSOCIATES | **Aleš Jiráň, Irena Vrančić**

11 times **Czechoslovakia Champions** | 17 times **Czech Champions**
6 times **Czech Cup Winners** | 2 times **European Super Cup Winners**
2 times **EuroLeague Champions** | 1 time **Liliana Ronchetti Champions**



Karolína Petlanová
25/1/2005 | 1,84μ | SF
CZE



Kateřina Kalná
21/3/2007 | 1,90μ | C
CZE



Gabriela Andělová
21/3/1996 | 1,73μ | PG
CZE



Maite Cazorla
18/6/1997 | 1,78μ | PG
ESP



Petra Malíková
9/9/2002 | 1,78μ | SG
CZE



Eliška Javanská
1/5/2006 | 1,81μ | SF
CZE



Aminata Gueyey
10/7/2002 | 1,94μ | C
FRA



Karolína Taušová
11/11/2008 | 1,85μ | SF
CZE



Natálie Koucká
7/8/2003 | 1,90μ | C
CZE



Mamignan Touré
19/12/1994 | 1,80μ | SG
FRA



Briana Fraser
22/5/1997 | 1,90μ | PF
AZE



HEAD COACH | **Alexandru Olteanu**
ASSOCIATE | **Volha Tămîrgeanu**

S & C Coach | **Marek Mikletic** • Team Manager | **Teodora Neagu** • Physiotherapist | **Robert Good**

10 times **Romanian Champions** | 3 times **Romanian Cup Winners**



Claudia-Monica Cuić
5/9/1989 | 1,82µ | SF
ROU



Daria Mari Ştefania Tănase
31/3/2006 | 1,84µ | PF
ROU



Andiela Delić
1/11/1996 | 1,84µ | SG
BIH



Bianca-Maria Nan
5/2/2001 | 1,84µ | PF
ROU



Ziomara Morrison
15/2/1989 | 1,93µ | C
CHI



Nicolett Orbán
3/6/2000 | 1,86µ | C
ROU



Annemarie Gödri-Părau
8/3/1984 | 1,75µ | PG
ROU



Japreece Monet Dean
4/6/1996 | 1,70µ | PG
USA



Maxuella Lisowa-Mbaka
14/5/2001 | 1,78µ | SF
BEL



Terézia Páleníková
16/8/1995 | 1,78µ | SF
SVK



Bianca-Ioana Nagy-Voica
4/1/1991 | 1,70µ | SG
ROU



HEAD COACH | **Arvid Diels**
ASSOCIATE | **Daphne Van dessel**

Team Manager | **Samira Bougrine** • Physiotherapist | **Michiel Roebben**

4 times **Belgium Champions** | 3 times **Belgian Cup Winners**



Linnea Norberg
6/1/2008 | 1,75µ | PG
SWE



Mykel Parham
3/11/2000 | 1,85µ | SF
USA



Britt Devarrewaere
10/8/2007 | 1,70µ | PG
BEL



Habibatou Bah
29/11/2004 | 1,68µ | SF
BEL



Chrissi Stathis
29/3/2008 | 1,70µ | SG
BEL



Grace Sullivan
13/8/2004 | 1,93µ | PF / C
USA



Emma Malkoc
29/5/2008 | 1,74µ | SF
BEL



Laure Resimont
29/1/1998 | 1,85µ | SF
BEL



Heleen Nauwelaers
14/3/1996 | 1,80µ | PF
BEL



Séanne Kabongo-Mpoyi
7/5/2007 | 1,75µ | SG
BEL



Hind Ben Abdelkader
21/7/1995 | 1,69µ | SG
MAR - BEL



Maud Huijbens
7/11/2002 | 1,90µ | C
NED

HEAD COACH | **Ilias Zouros**
ASSOCIATE | **Stratis Nianos,**
Kostas Kalogeropoulos

S & C Coach | **George Yavetsis, Klairi Martinopoulou**
Physiotherapist | **Lousi Zourni**



5 times **Greek Champions** | 4 times **Greek cup Winners**
1 time **EuroCup Winners**



Ivana Raca
10/9/1999 | 1,88μ | SF
SRB - CYP



Antigoni Chairistanidou
3/10/1990 | 1,88μ | PF
GR



Elena Tsineke
11/7/1999 | 1,73μ | PG
GR



**Kamile Nacickaite-
Van Der Horst**
28/12/1989 | 1,81μ | SG
LTH



Borislava Hristova
12/7/1996 | 1,83μ | SG
BUL



Pinelopi Pavlopoulou
3/3/1996 | 1,72μ | PG
GR



Ivana Jakubcova
20/8/1994 | 1,98μ | PF
SVK



Yasiliki Louka
5/7/1996 | 1,93μ | C
GR



Ana Tadic
21/9/1998 | 1,98μ | C
FRA - SRB



Victoria Macaulay
7/8/1995 | 1,93μ | C
NGR - USA



Alexis Prince
5/2/1994 | 1,88μ | PF
USA



Robyn Parks
19/7/1992 | 1,85μ | SF
USA - GR



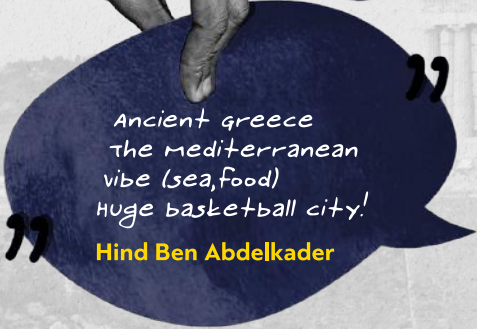
Mariella Fasoula
2/9/1997 | 1,92μ | C
GR



Julie Vanloo
10/2/1993 | 1,73μ | PG
BEL

Θεϊκός | (the-i-kos)

Divine | someone or something that is connected to or coming from God. The City of Athens.



Ancient greece
The mediterranean
vibe (sea, food)
Huge basketball city!

Hind Ben Abdelkader

Historical, Home, Lit
Robyn Parks

Acropolis, olives,
sun and warm weather
Petra Malíková

Hot, Good Coffee,
Good vibes
**Kamile Nacickaite
Van Der Horst**



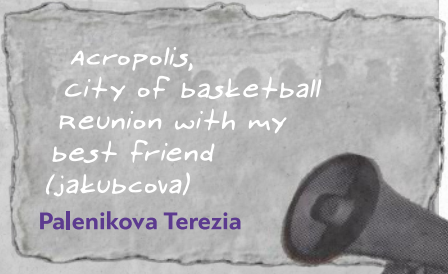
Acropolis, ouzo
Beautiful sunsets
on the beach and
clear turquoise
water!

Delic Andela

Holiday, History, Blue
Laure Resimont

Antiquity (gods, myths, the Olympic Games)
Heat - White houses and sea.
Gabriela Andělová

Great, Beautiful, Historic
Elena Tsineke



Acropolis,
city of basketball
Reunion with my
best friend
(jakubcova)

Palenikova Terezia

Θρύλος | (thry-los)

Legend | a person who is remembered
or celebrated for his / hers achievements



"I think God loves me because during my journey in basketball, he gave me many perfect people and that's why I'm here."

Natalia Hejkova

The room was filled with people, who for the most part of their life did exactly what she had been doing; Worshiping something that happened by accident! **She was one of the three coaches** that on an August evening of 2019 would enter the **FIBA Hall Of Fame**. Her elite company included **Bogdan Tanjevic** and **Mou Zuoyun**, as well as legendary players who served this sport.

Standing in front of the microphone, **she stutters for a while**, but when the words find the way to exit her mouth, she is as decisive as she has always been in her career. **And equally generous. Her priority was to acknowledge every person that helped her along the way,**

and especially the one person who had given her the most important advice for her coaching journey: **her mother.**

A coaching journey, that started in 1989. **A coaching journey** that was supposed to last one day. Just one... **It lasted for about 13.879 days.** It included **25 champions. 6 EuroLeague titles.** It included multiple participations in **European Championships, Olympic Games, and World Cups.** It included numerous individuals awards and honors. And it's included in only one word.

Legend...

**READ
more**



Θεσμός | (the-smos)

Institution | a repeated act OR EVENT
that becomes tradition



athens
cup 2025



European Women's
Basketball Tournament

DAY 1:

Athinaikos Qualco- CISMA CBK Mersin 98-69
Valencia-Gdynia 68-53

DAY 2:

Valencia-Athinaikos Qualco 69-49
CISMA CBK Mersin-Gdynia 77-68

DAY 3:

Valencia-CISMA CBK Mersin 87-83
Athinaikos Qualco-Gdynia 91-79

Winners: **Valencia**

Honored Guests:

**The Athinaikos team that won the EuroCup
in 2010**

Michalis **Kyriakakis**
Evina **Maltsi**
Anastasia **Kostaki**

Θεματοφύλακας | (the-ma-to-fy-la-kas)

A Guardian | *he/she who has been chosen
to protect and support*

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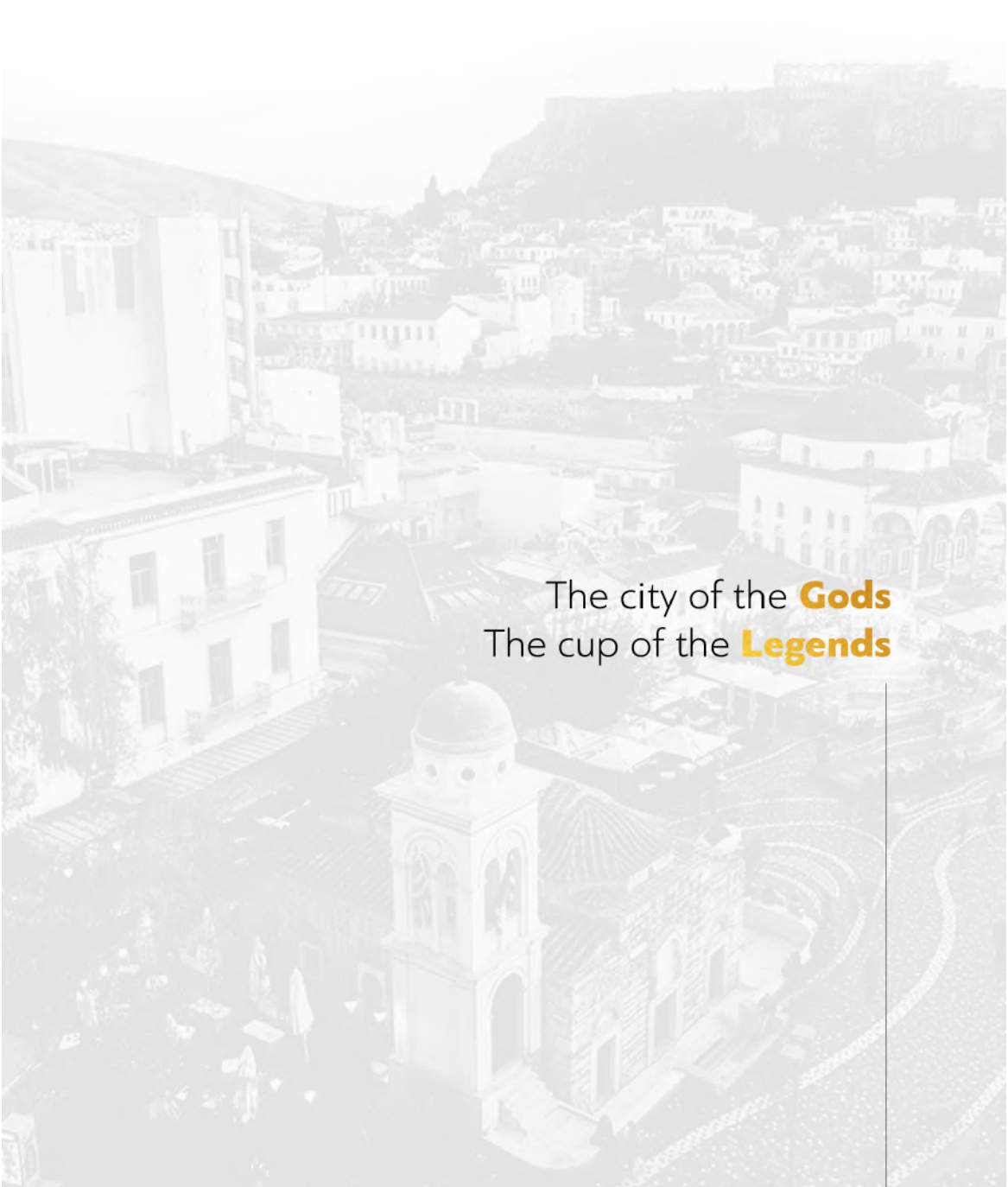


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An aerial photograph of a historic city, likely Athens, Greece. In the foreground, a church with a prominent dome and bell tower stands on a hillside. The city is densely packed with buildings, and in the background, a large hilltop fortress (the Acropolis) is visible under a hazy sky. The text "The city of the Gods" and "The cup of the Legends" is overlaid on the image.

The city of the **Gods**
The cup of the **Legends**