

Ten Channel Hires 2 Greek Broadcasters

Television network Channel Ten is making radical changes. The station's goal is to be the first and most favorite among viewers. Next year two quite successful television news presenters of Greek descent will be on board. Helen Kapalos and George Donikian will present Ten News. Both of them are considered as top news presenters in Australia.

George Donikian is an already successful and experienced news presenter. He will replace Mal Walden. According to the directors of the channel these changes will contribute in the formation of a serious and analytic news report which will be addressed to a smart and well informed audience.

Helen Kapalos

Helen Kapalos began her career as a reporter on ABC Radio in Newcastle in 1994 before moving to SBS after winning a national scholarship.

She worked in several areas at SBS, including news, the Network documentary indigenous cultural affairs program, ICAM, and the health show, Second Opinion.

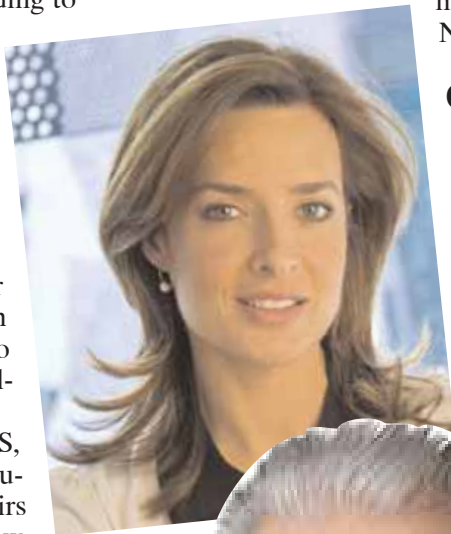
Helen then returned to Newcastle and spent several years in commercial radio and TV, including the Nine Network's regional affiliate NBN, where she wrote, directed and produced an award-winning documentary on the closure of BHP.

In 2001 Helen was approached to join the Nine Network as a reporter on National Nine News where she covered breaking news events such as the Waterfall train disaster and the historic Sydney Gang rape trial. She also played a key role in the 2004 Athens Olympics coverage, where she

reported for several news and current affairs programs from the Greek capital and across Europe. Upon her return she was appointed host of the Late News program Nightline. In addition to that role, she presented the weekly news segment on the Network's flagship current affairs program Sunday, alongside host Jana Wendt.

Helen currently presents Network Ten Melbourne's 5pm news with Mal Walden.

In 2006, she was one of the red carpet hosts for TEN's Brownlow Medal telecast. In addition to appearing as a panelist on TEN's 9am with David & Kim program, Helen also presents news segments for the Network's National News.



George Donikian

George commenced his media career as an announcer with Radio station 4AM in far North Queensland in the mid 70's, and was soon lured in a southerly direction and arrived at 2WL in Wollongong.

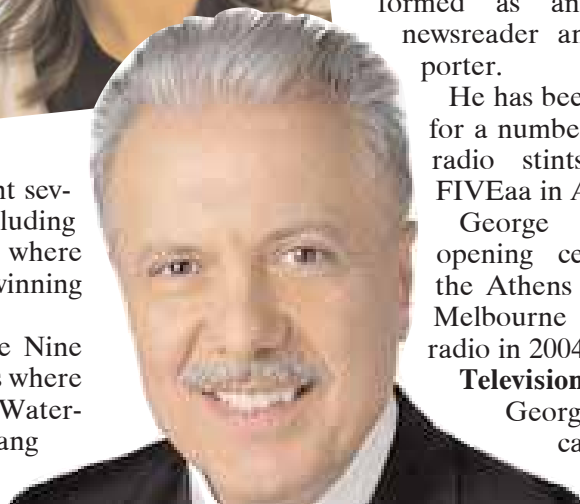
George then moved to Sydney's newest commercial station 2WS in 1979, where he performed as an announcer, newsreader and sports reporter.

He has been at the helm for a number of talk back radio stints on Radio FIVEaa in Adelaide.

George covered the opening ceremony and the Athens Olympics for Melbourne commercial radio in 2004.

Television career

George's television career began in 1980, when during a



chance meeting he impressed the late Bruce Gyngell, who saw him as the ideal presenter for his multi cultural I.M.B.C television Network which launched in Melbourne and Sydney in 1980.

SBS

The network quickly evolved into the Special Broadcasting Service, where, as the first news anchor, he read the critically acclaimed SBS World News, for the first eight and a half years. During his time at SBS, he hosted a number of special events for the Multicultural network and also called four seasons of NSL football plus a host of other sports.

Nine Network

Leaving SBS midway through 1988 to join the Nine Network, George featured on the Wide World of Sports, Sports Sunday, Graham Kennedy's Coast to Coast, the National Nine Morning News bulletin and the Today. While at Nine in Sydney, George also freelanced as morning news presenter on the top rating radio 2DAY FM and did a number of Talkback Radio stints with Radio 2GB as a stand in for John Tingle. George also played a part in Nine's commentary team for the 1988 State of Origin rugby league series, then again during the Test Series England versus Australia in the same year, and was on hand in Rome to cover the 1990 World Cup Soccer Finals in Italy, both for the Nine Network and Sydney radio.

Ten Network

Donikian joined Adelaide's Ten News in January 1991. In 2000, George moved to Melbourne, to pioneer ADS10 10's digital news service from the Ten's Studio's at the Como Centre in South Yarra.

As well as hosting the Ten News First at Five weekday news for Network Ten Adelaide, George has also been a "national" weekend news anchor for over 5 years, hosting weekend bulletins from the Sydney studios in Pyrmont, for Perth, Melbourne, Sydney, Brisbane, Adelaide and Canberra[citation needed]. In 2005 and 2006, he was also a fill-in replacement from Mal Walden in Melbourne's bulletin and presents the shortened news bulletin on Saturdays during Ten's AFL coverage. Donikian currently co-hosts First at Five with Rebecca Morse.

Inventor Kouris Creates Economic & Energy Friendly Mechanism

Inventor Paul Kouris is convinced that an invention for economic and environmentally friendly energy will soon become a reality.

As he claims, his invention has already been established in ten countries: USA, Canada, Mexico, Australia, New Zealand and many European cities. This year it will ensure a further eight countries.

Most important however, is the fact that many big companies from China, Brazil and other countries have expressed interest in this invention which already operates experimentally in Australia.

For years Kouris, a lawyer by profession, claims that he found a way to address the problem of energy, economic and environmentally friendly. How so? "The rotation of water in rivers, reservoirs and hydroelectric dams generates energy", he states.

As he declared, since his student year he had noticed the potential of water to turn, so he could with the vortex created by the rotation of the pull of the earth and a suitable turbine, to spin a genera-

tor, generating electricity! He kept that secret for 20 years. He studied the specific mechanism and finally prepared the 1996 plans for a turbine which he called: "KCT" or The Kouris Turbine Generator. Then he requested from U.S. authorities to secure his copyright and surprisingly, he received it promptly. This trend continued in other nations he approached for copyrights.

Later on the experimental operation began in various areas. The experiments were successful, resulting in at least one candidate member of the Victorian state say that if elected he would seek to implement the invention in every possible way. This is Lou Sigmant's feeling who is a candidate for the seat of Norwell.

Most importantly, Kouris presented his invention in its final form to companies, government agencies and media in late August. All parties were interested. It has already been decided on a revolutionary generator to be placed in Magoucla's region river to power dozens of houses.

"I faced many problems, because Australia is still subject to lignite for its

energy, but is slowly being overcome," said Kouris.

Kouris claims that the application of his invention would have started sooner but the devastating fires in Victoria two years ago damaged his factory in Marysville. It was only recently was restored.

The inventor was born in Athens in 1955 and immigrated to Australia with his parents Alfredo-George Kouris and Euphemia Mitsis-Kouris in March 1956. The Greek family settled in Melbourne. Kouris finished primary and secondary school in Melbourne. He studied Law and Philosophy at Monash University.

It is noted that regarding Kouris' invention, all Australian media has so far cost the inventor hundreds of thousands of dollars, not counting the thousands of hours he has personally spent all these years.



Kouris says that according to experiments carried out, power generation using the turbine, is increased by 5%- 25% using the existing water. This will provide cheap energy to all humankind.

"For example, an increase of 10%, to the main hydroelectric dam in Tasmania, would gain, without any further cost, extra energy to power 200,000 additional homes!

Similar increase in power would have the hydropower projects "Snowy Hydro" and "Pacific Hydro" of Australia" said Mr. Kouris and continues: "Not counting the thousands of rivers that exist across the length and breadth of the earth, on which the "KCT" turbine can rotate and produce electricity. "As well as putting the turbine through the thousands of existing water reservoirs which are used everywhere on this planet."