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## Bronze age New era begins

Unheralded Greece edges out Slovenia to win third place at the 2009 European Basketball Championship in Poland. **Page 18**



## Reel time Variety show

It's your final chance to catch some cinematic gems as the Athens International Film Festival winds down. **Page 35**



## Unveiled Winter lineup

A music season featuring everything from pop to psychedelic folk starts with a concert by the Veils. **Page 31**

## Election clock ticks for ND, Karamanlis

**Prime Minister** Costas Karamanlis will be touring the country and TV studios over the next few days in a bid to make last-minute inroads into PASOK's lead in the polls after two televised debates this week failed to prove decisive ahead of the October 4 election. Following the debates and the publication of the parties' candidate lists for deputies of state, Karamanlis only has public appearances left in his armory to reduce PASOK's lead, which stood at 6 percent in the most recent opinion poll. **Pages 7 & 11**

### INTERVIEW MATIAS CINDRIC

## Saab: Revving its engines



**Long deprived** of money and productive input, Saab has just received a boost from its sale by the ailing General Motors to Swedish super-carmaker Koenigsegg in a move that could help restore its iconic appeal. Chief designer Matias Cindric, who visited Athens on the occasion of the "Selections from Design S" exhibition, explains how. **Page 13**



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# Greece's racial divide



A Muslim man prays at the Agora next to the Olympic Stadium on Sunday during Eid al-Fitr, which marks the end of Ramadan.

## Institutional failings leave children of immigrants out on a limb

**More than 6 million** people are expected to vote in the October 4 general election but this number will not include the Greek-born sons and daughters of immigrants due to the fact that the country's immigration law fails to recognize them as Greek citizens.

It is estimated that about 250,000 people residing in Greece today are the children of migrants, although it is not clear how many of these are of voting age. Meanwhile, racial tension has been running high in some city neighborhoods, such as Aghios Panteleimonas, where right-wing extremists have targeted immigrants.

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## Collision Bare bones

Choreographer Angeliki Stelattou explores subtle aggression in "Kan.iv.aloi" (Cann.ivals) at the Neos Cosmos Theater. **Page 28**



## Art history Half-century

The 50th anniversary of Nees Morfes, the oldest surviving art gallery in Athens, is marked by an extensive exhibition at the Benaki Museum. Director Julia Dimakopoulou speaks to Athens Plus. **Pages 24-25**



## Sacred cave Sacrificed

An ancient cave on Mount Hymettus has suffered at the hands of vandals as the state fails to protect this religious site of antiquity. **Page 12**

**Forever** Leda Papaconstantinou's large and impressive installation references Elefsina's rich past **Page 26**