



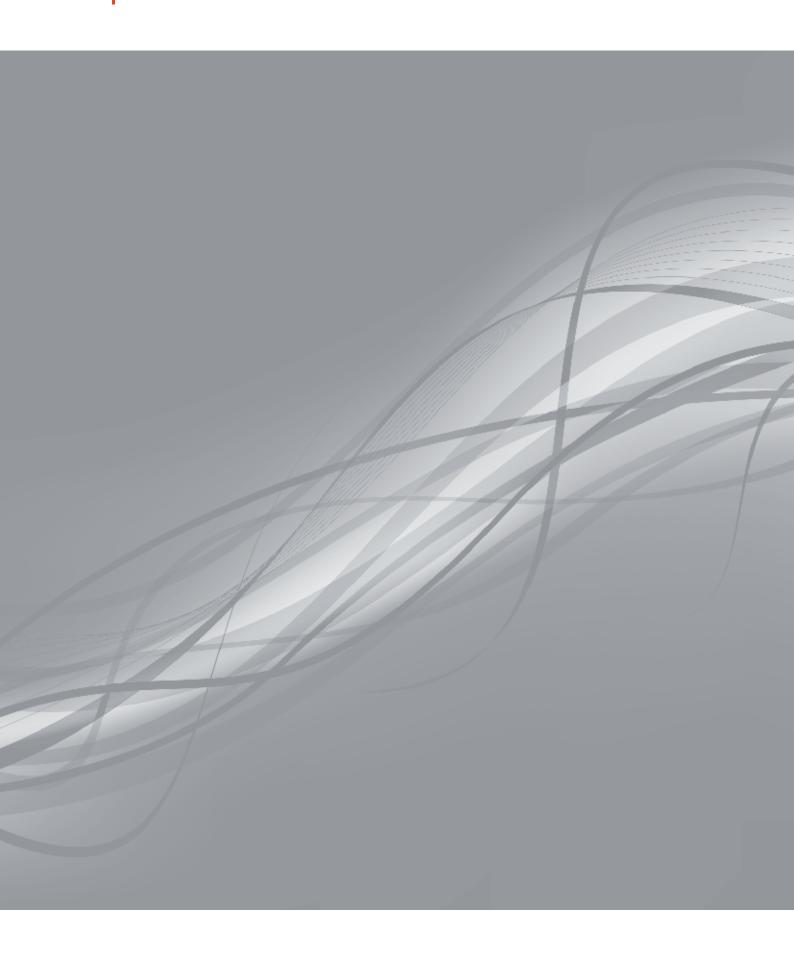
Annual Report 2017 - 2018



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1.1. Message

from the CEO and President of the Council, Dr. Christoforos Hadjikyprianou, and the Rector, Prof. Kostas Gouliamos

The path to the digital age gives rise to the "knowledge economy". In the era of internationalization and Global Learning, "knowledge economy" is an indispensable pillar to planning a sustainable future – economically, socially and culturally.

Within this context, education is the ultimate key to safeguarding the values of sustainable growth, innovation, inclusiveness, employability, social responsibility, and creative and critical thinking. This is the very foundation of our operation at European University Cyprus (EUC): a university that is a trusted leader in providing access to high-quality, innovative programs and operations.

All of us – students, faculty, teaching and administrative personnel – are part of perhaps the most important institution of our Region. We are also aligned with the industry's and society's plan for growth, which demands educating and developing a skilled workforce and advancing students' strengths, particularly through innovation, to build the knowledge economy. As a university, we are also aligned with both the European Union's and the State's economic plan and inclusive innovation agenda. In particular, given the economic imperative to innovate, while at the same time remain competitive and diversify, the role of European University Cyprus in our country's economy is more important now than ever before.

We continue to be a thriving and operationally excellent academic institution and one of the Region's top Universities with a robust core of teaching and research programs. We continue to attract top-tier students and internationally acclaimed faculty, as well as new research and industry opportunities.

Meanwhile, we have one of the broadest arrays of disciplines offered by any university in the Region, and this is a crucial advantage for our future. People want to come to a country that has an innovative university at its core, particularly a "Medical" university.

Whether for the development of academic programs or research projects, we engage teams of experts coming from different disciplines, scientific and academic fields, thus building and promoting cooperations of interdisciplinary nature, while also including partners from the industry, community and government agencies. With the operation of the Microsoft Innovation Center, we are creating start-ups and hubs of innovation built around several of our signature areas; these hubs are magnets for top talent. We have exceptional international reputation for the outstanding quality of our School of Medicine. This is achieved through our own faculty's unique expertise in Medicine and Life and Health Sciences programs and through working collaboratively with prestigious universities and Hospitals. In addition, we offer the only Dentistry program in Cyprus in which students are exposed to state-of-the-art facilities equipped with the latest technology used in dental education.

We are generating distinctive ideas and are identifying new venues of collaborating and accelerating innovation by building bridges through which many of the Region's next generation of leaders will emerge.

This is the university whose present and future rest on its great potential to inquire, to inform, to innovate, to produce and to transfer knowledge.



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Dr. Christoforos Hadjikyprianou *CEO. President of the Council*



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Prof. Kostas Gouliamos



1.2. Senate Members 2017-18

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2.1. Microsoft Innovation Center (MIC)

Microsoft Innovation Center Cyprus (MIC Cyprus) is a state-of-the-art technology facility focusing on the development and promotion of innovation, research and technology in Cyprus. It is a strategic collaboration between European University Cyprus and Microsoft. Its wider goal is to strengthen the local and regional economy, promote entrepreneurship at all stages of education, support innovative solutions, and implement unique and pioneering projects.

MIC's operation is a focal point in the development, support and promotion of innovative ideas and startups. Actions such as the creation of new jobs, support and promotion of innovative solutions, acquiring skills and continuous education are part of the Center's activities. The main aims are as follows:

- Empowering the local business environment
- Attract dynamic and innovative businesses and initiatives
- Facilitating strategic partnerships between innovative public / private sector initiatives
- Center for Best practice implementation for optimizing innovative projects and methods
- Creating a focal point for all innovative initiatives as a service center and space for the exchange of ideas and technological solutions
- Creating technology exchange and implementation space
- Strengthening knowledge in technology, academically and professionally
- Establishing a specialized training center

MIC Cyprus, one of the 110 Innovation Centers globally, is supported by some of the greatest companies in the country: Bernhard Schulte Shipmanagement, Cyprus Computer Society, CNP ΑΣΦΑΛΙΣΤΙΚΗ and CNP CYPRIALIFE, Cyta, Exxon Mobil, EY Cyprus, Gnomi Communication Consultants, Headcandy, IN Business magazine, Galileo Global Education, Logicom Solutions and NetU.





DISTANCE EDUCATION UNIT



3.1. Message

from the Director of Distance Education Unit, Dr. Paraskevi Chatzipanagiotou

The Digital Education Unit established in 2013,offers fully accredited e-learning programs leading to Bachelor and Master Degrees. The aim of the Unit is to offer quality programs of study to individuals who, due to personal, professional and/or geographical constraints, are unable to study or to continue their studies in Tertiary Education. In this way, European University Cyprus has succeeded in responding to the current and growing needs of the today's society for learning, as well as in and promoting equal opportunities in the field of Education through alternative education programs with high demand in the labor market.

The EUC Digital Education Unit, from a pedagogical perspective, has a concrete education model, tailored to the needs of students and the special characteristics of e-learning (flexibility in time-management, differentiation in teaching). The student occupies a predominant position since the entire process aims to enhance his/her learning. In other words, the learning activity is at the core of the model, which includes three fundamental elements that all come together in the design of the activities: learning resources, collaboration, and guidance from the teaching and administrative staff. Our programs are taught by the highly qualified faculty of European University Cyprus or external associates, specialists in their respective fields, with experience in Digital Education and in the use of the most advanced information and communication technologies in the teaching procedure.

For the academic year 2017-18, 4 Bachelor degrees and 12 Master Degrees based on e-Learning Methodology were offered, all fully accredited by the Cyprus Agency of Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education. Bachelor degrees last for four years and are taught in Greek or/and English language (Business Studies, Marketing, Communications and Social Media, English Language & Literature, Psychology). Postgraduate courses are offered for an 18-month duration and are taught in Greek or/and English language (Business Administration, Public Health, English Language and Literature, Career Guidance & Counselling, Special (Inclusive) Education, Educational Management & Leadership, Early Childhood Education, Technologies of Learning & Communication, Information Systems, Music Education, Public Administration, Hellenic Studies).

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INTERNAL PROCESSES AND QUALITY OFFICE

4.1. Message

from the Head of Internal Processes and Quality, Dr Pieris Chourides

The Internal Processes and Quality Office, is an internal objective and consulting unit, designed to add value and improve the operations of European University Cyprus (EUC). It helps the University to achieve its objectives by adopting a systematic and professional approach in order to evaluate and improve the effectiveness of, as well as, monitoring and assessing the University's processes and quality system through application of quality control models such TQM, EFQM, IIP. Additionally, the Internal Processes and Quality office is responsible to provide to all independent ranking and rating organisations data and information for accreditation and benchmarking purposes. The long-term aim of the office is to identify and define key performance indicators that will enable more accurate performance evaluation and efficient operation.

4.2. U-Multirank Ranking

The new European Union-funded multi-dimensional tool U-Multirank that ranks universities and colleges worldwide has granted European University Cyprus the highest ranking in two key strategic areas, Research, and International Orientation. In these two areas, European University Cyprus was assessed with top marks among others in Top Cited Publications, International Joint Publications, Art-Related Output and Student Internships in the Region. U-Multirank is a unique new independent tool for comparing performance includes information on more than 1,300 higher education institutions, 3,250 faculties and 10,700 study programs from more than 90 countries.



5 LIBRARY

The European University of Cyprus Library has two primary objectives. The first objective is the continuous enrichment of the collection with quality educational materials (books, magazines, compact discs), aiming to meet the needs of students, faculty, and the public. The second objective, recognizing the needs of the user for instant access to information, is to provide and maintain high-quality services that will encourage the appropriate use of the Library by faculty and students.

5.1. Indicative activities

In 2017-2018, 850 library titles of books and other materials were catalogued (except periodicals), bringing the entire collection to 47,350 unique printed titles. The collection of electronic journals consists of 150,000 titles including 96,000 that provide access to the full text of the article. The collection of electronic books includes 150,000 titles through subscriptions with major vendors such Springer, Oxford, IEEE, Sage, ACM, Cambridge and others.

Access to all electronic material as of 2018, is offered through OpenAthens, an identity and access management system. OpenAthens authenticates users and provides single sign-in access to both internal and external web-based resources.

The EUC library, as one of the founding members, actively participates in the informal Cyprus Academic Libraries Consortium (CALC), which aims at jointly securing cheaper information sources. In the academic year 2017-2018, the library signed new agreements with publishers of scientific information sources such as Elsevier.

The Library maintains a website, redesigned in 2017-2018 and through which users can have access to all the databases available through subscriptions. In addition, users can have access to free resources offered as part of open access though a dedicated webpage offering links to the best free sites.

The library took part in the 3rd Book Festival (19 & 20 May 2018) which took place at the Acropolis Park, in Nicosia. The Book Festival has established itself as an institution in order to get the Cypriot citizen back in touch with books and to highlight the work of Cypriot writers.

During the academic year 2017-2018, the library conducted a number of seminars always in collaboration with teachers, in order to educate students about the proper way to use the library's facilities and so they become aware of what the library has to offer with emphasis on electronic resources.

The library staff attended educational seminars for the TURNITIN and MENDELEY systems.





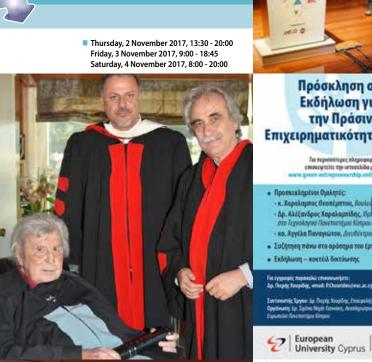
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 Φ.Α. Αγελία Ποικτικτήμια Κόπρου
- κα. Αγγέλα Παναγκώτου, Διευθύντρια ΙΟΕΑ στην ΙΟΕΑ Cg. Τράπεζα Κίπρου
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- Cultural Center, European University Cyprus

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6.1. Message

from the Vice Rector of Research and External Affairs, Prof. Andreas Efstathiou

The research activity of European University Cyprus has continued to develop at an impressive rate in the current academic year. This development is mainly due to its expansion in the areas of Medicine, Health and Life Sciences but also due to the introduction of a number of strategic initiatives.

The Research Office of the university pursued an intensive campaign to promote to our faculty funding opportunities from a number of sources, including the Research Promotion Foundation, European Space Agency, Horizon 2020, Erasmus+ etc. It is noteworthy that the University secured a large proportion of its funding in the current academic year, which exceeded €600,000 from the European Commission. According to official statistics by the Research Promotion Foundation, the University continues to rank as one of the most successful private universities in Cyprus in securing funding from Horizon 2020. A number of our faculty received important awards and international distinctions, while a number of new promising scientists with a strong track record in research joined our faculty.

The University has also considerably expanded the network of international universities and local and international organizations with which it collaborates and a series of Memoranda of Understanding have been signed. Significant progress has also been made in extending the network of Universities in Europe with which we exchange students and faculty within the Erasmus+ program.

The University organized this year its first International Mobility Erasmus+ Week. During the week, teachers and researchers from 12 European countries lectured on a very wide range of disciplines (Medicine, Law, Computer Science, Business Administration, Social Sciences and Humanities) to EUC students, presented papers and participated in workshops and other social events. During the week, participants had the opportunity to network in a very friendly environment with teachers and researchers of European University Cyprus and to explore the history, culture, traditions and customs of Cyprus.





6.2. Faculty Distinctions and Achievements

- The Rector of the University Professor Kostas Gouliamos was elected as an active member of the European Academy of Sciences and Arts (EASA). The official inauguration of Prof. Gouliamos took place in Salzburg on 3 March 2018.
- Dr. Konstantinos Katzis of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering was awarded a Fulbright Scholar grant administered by the American Embassy to carry out research in the United States. Dr. Katzis will carry out his scholarship at the Information Technology Laboratory (ITL) of the National Institute of Standards & Technology (NIST) in Washington DC (USA).
- **Professor Elpida-Niki Emmanouil-Nikoloussi of the School of Medicine** was awarded the European Teratology Society (ETS) award for her contribution to the field. The award was granted during the 45th International Conference of the European Teratology Society, which took placeon 4-7 September 2017, in Budapest, Hungary.
- 1st prize at the Researcher's Night 2017

European University Cyprus School of Medicine won first prize for "Best Activity" in the context of the "2017 Researcher's Night" (3 October 2017). The University School of Medicine presented the activity "Exploring the Brain", where Professors of Medicine Elizabeth Johnson, Dimitris Ntourakis, Constantinos Tsamis, Elias Nikas and Elpida Nikolousi encouraged the audience to get acquainted with the world of the Brain. During the event, the European University Cyprus research team used interactive activities and games to introduce visitors to the principles of neuroscience and familiarise them with human brain models and the microscopy of neurones.

The Medical School's achievement was made possible following the close cooperation between the Anatomy and Histology Laboratory of European University Cyprus and the Neurosurgical Institute of Ioannina.

The activities were carried out thanks to the dedication, team spirit and commitment of a group of forty undergraduate students of the European University Cyprus School of Medicine under the guidance of Professor of Medicine Dimitris Ntourakis. The "Researcher's Night" event is a grand celebration of science and research, organised annually in over 300 cities across Europe.

- Dr. Apostolos Zaravinos of the School of Sciences received the "1st Young Investigator Award" at the "3rd Cyprus Oncology Conference: New Frontiers in Cancer Prevention and Personalised Treatment", on 27-29 October 2017, Limassol, Cyprus.
- **Dr. Constadina Charalambous of the School of Humanities, Social and Education Sciences** was awarded the Fulbright Visiting Scholar Fellowship for Fall 2017 (hosted at the Graduate Center, City University of New York).
- Dr. Georgia Petroudi of the School of Humanities, Social and Education Sciences was elected to the committee of the newly established Study Group "Mediterranean Music Studies" of the International Musicological Society. The election took place during the 7th International Musicological Conference Modus-Modi-Modality that occurred at European University Cyprus, on 6-10 September, 2017.
- **Dr. Katerina Mavrou of the School of Humanities, Social and Education Sciences** was nominated and elected as President-Elect of the Association for the Advancement of Assistive Technology in Europe (www.aaate.net)
- Prof. George Boustras (School of Business)

The following projects were realised during this period:

Jul 18: SAT-LAW - Strategic Assessment for Law and Police Cooperation (GRANT AGREEMENT NUMBER DG Justice -800816 -SAT-LAW) under the "Action grants to support transnational projects to promote judicial cooperation in civil and criminal matters" of €907,550.28 (EUC Budget €56,854.98) (08/18 – 08/20)

Jan 18: ALTER - UCPM-2017-PP-PREP-AG – "ALLIANCE FOR DISASTER RISK REDUCTION" - 2018 Call for PREP & PREV PROJECTS IN CIVIL PROTECTION AND MARINE POLLUTION, €420,668.91, (EUC €93,650.15) (01/18 – 01/20).

Feb 17: EPICURO - ECHO/SUB/742509/PREV20 - "European Partnership for Innovative Cities within an Urban Resilience Outlook" - 2016 Call for Prep & Prev projects in civil protection and marine pollution, €663,812 (01/17-12/18)

Dr. Simona Mihai, Dr. Despina Marouchou and Dr. Elmos Konis

The School of Business of EUC has successfully completed the programme SCIENT EU that was funded by the European programme Erasmus +. The programme aimed to train Graduates and students from Europe in the STEM area to be able to start their business based on their ideas and research studies. The program lasted for two years and concluded in Fall 2017with a Business Idea Competition at EUC.

- **Dr. Alexios Kythreotis, Acting Chair of the Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance** successfully completed the 6-month course for the Certified Fraud Examiner qualification in July 2018. The CFE qualification is an esteemed title awarded by the US-based Association of Certified Fraud Examiners, which further enhances the Department's research, academic and industry-related activities.
- Dr. Pavlina Psychouli, Ph.D., Occupational Therapist, Lecturer, Coordinator of BSc Occupational Therapy program

Dr. Pavlina Psychouli was appointed (on 26 February 2018) as a member of a Task Force of 35 people from around the world in terms of a mandate to compose a "Package of Priority Rehabilitation Interventions", which will be used as a guide to the future of the World Health Organizations and Health Ministries. Dr. Psychouli will represent the World Association of Occupational Therapists on behalf of Cyprus and the implementation and writing of this guide will include the names and affiliations of the 35 members of the Working Group.

Dr. Louiza Voniati, Ph.D., MEd., SLT, Lecturer, Coordinator of the Speech and Therapy Program

The latest issue of Scopus 'ARCHIVES OF HELLENIC MEDICINE's', published (14 March 2018) the scientific journal: "Voniati, L. & Charalambous, I (2018) Rett syndrome: Clinical recognition, communication skills and therapeutic intervention, ARCHIVES OF HELLENIC MEDICINE, 35 (2), 188-197".

- Dr. Pavlina Psychouli, Ph.D., Occupational Therapist, Coordinator of BSc Occupational Therapy program
 Occupational Therapy cross-cultural online collaboration (9 June 2018):
 - The project that has been running for the last two years between the Occupational Therapy program of the EUC and the Occupational Therapy program of the St. Augustine University for Health Studies, has been accomplished successfully.
 - The project has been funded for the last year by Laureate and has been presented at the World Federation of Occupational Therapy (WFOT) Congress 2018, which took place in Cape Town, SA during the last month. The aim of this project was to provide cultural awareness as part of the OT curriculum, taking into consideration globalization issues and competences necessary for future occupational therapists (and other health professionals) to be able to address the needs of clients with a multicultural background.
 - OT students were divided into groups of 3-5 and were given the opportunity to discuss on issues related to vulnerable populations, such as people with disability or elderly. All tele-conference sessions took place at the Medical School of EUC, supported by technical and translation services.
- Prof. Andreas Efstathiou, Director of the Astrophysics and High Performance Computing research group, Vice-Rector of Research, Professor, Computer Science and Engineering Department, European University Cyprus
 - Dr. Vicky Papadopoulou, Astrophysics and High Performance Computing research group, Assistant Professor, Computer Science and Engineering Department, European University Cyprus
 - A Research proposal was submitted by the School of Sciences' Astrophysics and High Performance Computing research group in the first call for 'Excellence Hubs' or 'Nησίδες Αριστείας' in the RESTART 2016-2020 program of the Research Promotion Foundation.
 - The successful project, entitled GRATOS (Graph Theoretical Tools in Sciences), received the sixth highest grading (14.33 out of 15 points) out of 120 proposals (18 July 2018). It aims to exploit Graph Theoretical Tools for Solving Clustering Problems in Astrophysics and Neuroscience. The project will be led by European University Cyprus and will include as a partner the Laboratory for Human Brain Dynamics of AAI Scientific Cultural Services Ltd. Three other Foreign Research Organizations participate in the project: The National Technical University of Athens, the Academy of Athens, and Virginia Tech in the US. The total budget of the project is about €250,000, 50% of which will be allocated to EUC.
- **European University Cyprus Assistant Professor in Corporate Law, Antigoni Alexandropoulou,** has been appointed as the new Chair of the Company Law Committee of the Council of Bars and Law Societies of Europe (CCBE). This constitutes a great honour, as the CCBE represents the common interests of European bars and law societies from 45 countries in the European Union, European Economic Area and wider Europe, before European and other international institutions.
- European University Cyprus Scientific Collaborator in Commercial Law, Charalampos Stamelos, has been appointed as the new Coordinator of the Competition Law Group of the European Law Institute (ELI) being also a member of the Board. This is a great honour, as the ELI embraces members of the academia, lawyers and judges from all Europe and around the globe, advises the European Commission and cooperates with the well-known American Law Institute.
- European University Cyprus Associate Professor in Public Law, Konstantinos Tsimaras has been appointed as Visiting Professor at the Faculty of Law at the University of Toulouse for the academic year 2018-2019.

6.3. Participation in Funded Research Projects

During the academic year 2017-2018, European University Cyprus received research funding amounting to 636,779€. A substantial proportion of the funding has been awarded from EU programmes. A detailed table with all funded projects can be found below:

START DATE	END DATE	FUNDING PROGRAMME	PROJECT TITLE	AMOUNT TOTAL (EURO)	AMOUNT EUC (EURO)
01/09/2017	31/08/2018	Horizon 2020	CSRC - Center for STEAM Education Research, Science Communication and Innovation	399,750.00	5,000.00
01/09/2017 31/08/2018 Laureate		Exploring the benefits of cross-cultural collaborative learning projects: A pilot study	16,812.52	16,812.52	
01/09/2017	31/08/2020	Erasmus+	TNP	413,245.00	59,825.00
01/09/2017	29/02/2020	Erasmus+	EL-STEM	312,377.00	50,122.00
01/10/2017	31/01/2020	Erasmus+	GO FIT	184,597.00	23,650.00
01/10/2017	30/11/2019	Erasmus+	Jupyter@edu	157,435.00	28,645.00
01/12/2017	30/11/2019	DG Justice	ELMIP - Empowering Learning Models in Prison	192,382.79	89,413.48
01/12/2017	30/11/2020	Erasmus+	EMCI - EUROPEAN MEDIA COACH INNITIATIVE	347,999.00	64,658.00
01/02/2018	31/01/2020	DG European Civil Protection and Humanitarian Aid Operations	ALTER - Alliance for Disaster Risk Reduction	338,671.99	74,848.52
01/06/2018	01/06/2023	Horizon 2020	MEDEA	3,495,843.75	178,125.00
01/08/2018	01/02/2021	Justice Action Grant	SAT-LAW	725,710.65	45,680.00
TOTAL				6,584,824.70	636,779.52

6.4. Participation in Other Research Projects

Research activity at European University Cyprus covers both Basic and Applied research, as well as the Arts. Faculty members of European University Cyprus participate in a number of projects, which are carried out in collaboration with scientists from leading universities around the world (indicatively, Harvard, Oxford, Imperial College London, Cambridge, University College London, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens). In the academic year 2017-2018, faculty members of European University Cyprus published numerous articles in international Scopus indexed journals in a very broad range of research areas: Computer Science, Physical Sciences and Engineering, Medicine, Health Sciences, Education Sciences, Humanities and Social Sciences, Business Administration.

6.5. Research Centres

6.5.1. Assistive Technology Lab

The Assistive Technology Lab of European University Cyprus was established between the years 2015-2016 and is currently a collaboration between the Department of Education Sciences and the Department of Health Sciences (Programme of Occupational Therapy) of European University Cyprus. The Lab aims at the development and implementation of innovative and effective approaches to research, instruction, learning and rehabilitation with the use of assistive technology for people with disabilities of all ages.

The research and teaching activities of the Lab are focused on: (a) an interdisciplinary approach to research of Assistive Technology (e.g. access and accessibility, communication, digital competencies for all, universal design, professionals' collaboration in rehabilitation and education of children with disabilities etc); (b) the information of the theoretical approaches to the implementation of assistive technology in authentic learning and everyday life environments; (c) teaching approaches that unify the various individual scientific disciplines of education, occupational therapy, speech and language therapy and humanities for the promotion of the rights and the quality of life of people with disabilities.

Teaching Infrastructure

The Lab holds sufficient space and appropriate equipment for hosting classes for 25-30 students. Its equipment includes low and high tech technology, such as augmentative and alternative communication devices, equipment for accessing digital technology, mobile devices, accessible educational software, high tech applications such as eye-gaze and eye-control, programmable surfaces and interactive whiteboard. It also holds 25 desktop computers, a whiteboard, and an LCD projector with sound-system, which is, among others, being used for commenting on video clips of implementation of assistive technology for access, communication, learning and rehabilitation.

Research Infrastructure

The Lab holds mobile video equipment, equipment of managing, storing, and processing video clips, and software for editing (Adobe Premiere) and analysing (Transana) data, as well as other qualitative (Nvivo, ATLASTi) and quantitative data analysis (SPSS) data. In addition, the assistive technology equipment is used in research programmes for the development and implementation of innovative approaches (e.g. eye-gaze protocols for access and communication).

Other Activities

In addition to the above teaching and research activities, the Lab is also involved in activities open to the public such as training programmes, awareness events, assessment and consultancy for the use of assistive technology. All of the activities of the Assistive Technology Lab are often combined with activities and additional equipment of the Occupational Therapy Lab, which is mostly specialised in mobility, siting and position, robotics in rehabilitation and sensory integration. See here an example of other activities of our Assistive Technology Lab: https://sites.google.com/site/aacawarenessincyprus/home

Membership

The Lab is directed by Dr Katerina Mavrou, Assistant Professor of Inclusive Education and Assistive Technology, at the Department of Education Science, of the European University Cyprus, in collaboration with Dr Pavlina Psychouli, Lecturer in Occupational Therapy, at the Department of Health Sciences of the European University Cyprus. Other members of the Lab are Faculty members and Special Teaching Personnel of the two departments, and the Speech and Language Therapy Programmes, graduate students and external collaborators.

Projects

■ 2017-present: Gaze-based assistive technology in communication and education for children with complex needs

Supported by: Linkoping University, Sweden

In Collaboration with: Stockholm University

Coordinator: Linkoping University, Sweden

Funding: Resource-based funding through MoU between EUC & Stockholm University

July 2018-present: Assistive technology effectiveness in daily living for the quality of life and participation of people with dementia. A systematic literature review

Supported by: European University Cyprus

In Collaboration with: Erasmus Internship Collaborator

Publications in refereed journals

Desmond, D., Layton, N., Bentley, J. Boot, F.H., Borg, J., Dhungana, B.M., Gallagher, P., Gitlow, L., Gowran, R.J., Groce, N., MAV-ROU, K., Mackeogh, T., McDonald, R., Pettersson, C. & Scherer, M. (2018). Assistive Technology and People: A Position Paper from the First Global Research, Innovation, and Education on Assistive Technology (GREAT) Summit. Journal: Disability and Rehabilitation: Assistive Technology. (in press). 13(5), 437-444.

MAVROU, K. & Loizou-Raouna, M. (2017). Digital Skills Development and ICT in Inclusive Education: Experiences from Cyprus Schools, Studies in Health Technology Informatics, 242, 828-837.

Hoogerwerf, E.J., Solander-Gross, A., MAVROU, K., Traina, I. & Hersh, M. (2017). A self-assessment framework for inclusive schools supporting Assistive Technology users, Studies in Health Technology Informatics, 242, 820-827.

MAVROU, K., Meletiou-Mavrotheris, M., Karki A., Sallinen, & Hoogerwerf, E.J., M. (2017). Opportunities and challenges related to ICT and ICT-AT use by people with disabilities: an explorative study into factors that impact on the digital divide. Technology and Disability, 29, 63-75.

Presentations in Conferences

- **Psychouli P., Cheng C. & Dimopoulos.** "Development of a Robotic System for Enhancing Children's Motivation in Constraint Induced Movement Therapy (CIMT)", 14th AAATE Congress 2017. Sheffield UK.
- Psychouli P., Katzis K. & Elliott M. "Home-based training support for stroke patients using the Leap Motion and StandInExercise stand", ICIMTH 2018: Athens, Greece.

Outreach Activities

«Augmentative and Alternative Communication Days», 7-8 December 2017 (Cultural Center, European University Cyprus)
 Organization: in collaboration with the Department of Education Sciences, School of Humanities and Social Sciences,
 and Education Sciences and the Occupational Therapy and the Department of Speech and Language Therapy, School of Sciences

Coordinator: Dr. Katerina Mavrou

Speakers: Dr. Louiza Voniati, Lecturer European University Cyprus, Dr. Katerina Mavrou, Assistant Professor, European University Cyprus, Gregoris Panayiotou†, disability activist, Cyprus

Place: EUC Cultural Center Date: 7-8 December 2017

Information on: https://sites.google.com/site/aacawarenessincyprus/2017

■ On the 7-8 of December 2017, the Assistive Technology Lab, of European University Cyprus organized the Augmentative and Alternative Communication Days (AAC): 'It's a different world not being able to talk but we don't talk about it...', at the EUC Cultural Center. Specifically, on 7 December 2017, at 19.30 - 21.00, three speakers presented issues on the development and use of AAC with examples and experiences from people using AAC. On 8 December 2017, at 09.00 - 12.00, interactive activities for school children of all ages were designed, organised and implemented by the EUC students of the MA in Special/Inclusive Education and volunteer students from the Occupational Therapy and Speech & Language Therapy Programmes.

Proposals submitted

SKATE (Skills & Knowledge on (Assistive) Technology in Early Childhood Inclusive Education), 2018-1-IT02-KA201-048335

Erasmus+, KA2 Submitted March 2018

Result: unsuccessful

Coordinator: AIAS Onlus Bologna & Municipality of Bologna, Italy

School for All, 2018-1-IT02-KA201-048335

Erasmus+, KA2 Submitted March 2018 Result: under review

Coordinator: EUROPARTNERSHIP AGENCY LTD, UK

EntreAbility: Fostering integration of migrants with disabilities into the host communities for mutual benefit, through the
development of their entrepreneurial and employability skills, 2018-1-0913, EEA and Norway Grants, Fund for Regional
Cooperation

Concept Paper Submitted July 2018

Result: under review

Coordinator: EUC Research Center, Cyprus

Plans for 2018-2019

Proposals under preparation:

ASSISTIdTECH: European COST Network in Assistive Technologies for Intellectual Disability and Autism

COST Action

Submitted November 2018

Main Proposer: DOCTRID Research Institute, Ireland

■ PRO-ROMYD (Promoting Employability and Social Inclusion for Roma Youth with Disabilities)

Erasmus+ KA2

Submitted October 2018

Coordinator: University of Northampton, UK

Outreach Activities

Assistive Technology Open Days

November-December 2018, under the Augmentative and Alternative Communication International Month (October) and the International Disability Day (3 December).

Lectures open to the public on Assistive Technology research at EUC and globally

Open Day for the public (schools and families) for using, familiarizing and testing assistive technology equipment.

Workshops for educators and other professionals.

Supported by the students of the MA in Special/Inclusive Education and the BSc in Occupational Therapy.

6.5.2. Inquiry in Science and Math Education Research Group (ISMERG)



The Inquiry in Science and Math Education Research Group was established in 2010 as a Research Unit at the Department of Education Sciences. Its goal is to work with stakeholders of education in Cyprus – public and private education, teacher communities and educational institutions and services – to contribute towards the building of the necessary foundations to encourage innovative approaches in research, teaching and learning in STEM Education. ISMERG's work in research in learning and instruction follows three major focal areas, particularly important for the education in Cyprus:

- (a) the need for inter-disciplinary approaches;
- (b) the need to inform theoretical approaches from everyday practice and vice-versa;
- (c) the need for approaches that cover and unify the complete spectrum of the educational system.

The Research Group has participated in a number of nationally-funded and European projects (CSRC, STEMitUP, HeadsUP, STING, S-TEAM and PLEGMA). The Group is directed by Dr. Loucas Louca, Associate Professor of Science Education, and it consists of European University Cyprus faculty and PhD researchers.

Membership

- Loucas Louca, Accosiate Professor
- Chrystalla Papademitri-Kachrimanin, Assistant Professor
- Marianna Efstathiadou, Instructor
- Thea Skoulia, PhD student, research assistant

Projects

- Sept 2017-present Researcher/Partner, Instilling Interest in STEM Entrepreneurship to European Students (STEMitUP),
 Project funded as an ERASMUS+ project (#Erasmus+ 2017-1-NO01-KA201-034201).
- Sept 2017-present Researcher/Partner, Center for STEAM Education Research, Science Communication and Innovation, (CSRC), Project funded as a H2020- Research and Innovation Program, Teaming Phase 1 (#WIDESPREAD-04-2017/763594).
- Oct 2016-present Researcher/Partner, Heads Using Professional Learning Communities (HeadsUP), Project funded as an ERASMUS+ project (#Erasmus+ VG-IN-BW-16-35-022992).

Presentations in Conferences

- Louca T.L., & Skoulia T. (2018). How, when and why: Pre-service elementary teachers' interaction with elements of in-class student inquiry. Paper submitted at the American Educational Research Association annual conference (AERA).
- Louca T.L. & Zacharia C.Z. (2018). Investigating student understanding of models and model use in science education through analysis of discourse. Paper submitted at the American Educational Research Association annual conference (AERA).
- **Louca T. L. & Zacharia C. Z. (2017).** Towards an epistemology of modeling-based learning in science. Paper presented at the European Science Education Research Association (ESERA) Conference, Dublin, Ireland.
- Skoulia T. & Louca T.L. (2017). Pre-service elementary teacher's interaction with elements of student inquiry in science: How, when and why. Paper presented at the European Science Education Research Association (ESERA) Conference, Dublin, Ireland.
- Louca T. L., Skoulia T. & Lymbouridou C. (2017). Teaching science for both girls and boys: The case of a school-based professional development. Paper presented at the European Science Education Research Association (ESERA) Conference, Dublin, Ireland.

Books

■ Tsivitanidou O. E, Gray P., Rybska E., Louca L., Constantinou C. P. (Eds.) (2018) Professional Development for Inquiry-Based Science Teaching and Learning. Springer: Switzerland.

Chapters in Books

Louca L., Skoulia T., Tsivitanidou O. E, Constantinou C.P. (2018). Concluding Remarks: Theoretical Underpinnings in Implementing Inquiry-Based Science Teaching/Learning (pp. 261-280). In Tsivitanidou, O. E, Gray, P., Rybska, E., Louca, L., Constantinou, C., P. (Eds.) (2018) Professional Development for Inquiry-Based Science Teaching and Learning. Springer: Switzerland.

Outreach Activities

Third Biodiversity Workshop:

The Inquiry in Science and Math Education Research Group in corporation with third-year students of the Biological Sciences program, organized the 3rd Biodiversity workshop entitled "Biological Phenomena: From the Microcosm to the Macrocosm" on 11 May 2018 at European University Cyprus. The 150 participating primary students (10-12 years old) had the opportunity to engage (for three hours) in a series of authentic, scientific activities from the magical world of biology under the guidance of the third-year students of the Biological Sciences program. Primary students used original biological laboratory equipment to study biological phenomena, to explore the microcosm of biological systems, to understand processes of biological phenomena and to reproduce macroscopic biological phenomena through playful and constructive activities. The Medical School of European University Cyprus also attended the event. The workshop was part of the events of the Environmental Committee of European University Cyprus.

Professional Development (HeadsUP)

2017-2018 - Heads UP Heads Using Professional Learning Communities (Heads UP), Project funded as an ERASMUS+ project (#Erasmus+ VG-IN-BW-16-35-022992)

Three schools participate in this year-long (Oct '17-May '18) project. We developed professional learning communities in each school, which met with Dr. Louca every twice a month for discussion issues related to teaching science as inquiry. A total of 22 teachers and head teachers participated in the project. The project also involved a number of other events such as co-teaching lessons, reflecting on videotaped lessons etc.

Professional Development (Pedagogical Institute)

2017-2018 – School-based Professional Development, Science Education, pre-school level 30 teachers participated in this 6-month professional development program. Teachers met with Dr. Louca three different times (whole morning), as well as four times in small groups in their schools for discussing issues related to teaching science as inquiry.

Proposals submitted

- EMERGENT, ERASMUS+, funded, starting January 2019
- STARWAY, H2020, score: 13.5/15
- RECITAL, H2020, not funded

Plans for 2018-2019

Proposals

- Erasmus+ Modeling proposal, Coordinator Norway
- Erasmus+ HeadsUp Follow Up proposal, Coordinator Germany
- IΠE RESEARCH IN ENTERPRISES / ΕΡΕΥΝΆ ΣΤΙΣ ΕΠΙΧΕΙΡΉΣΕΙΣ, Coordinator Engino
- ENTERPRISES/0618
- IΠE POST-DOCTORAL RESEARCHERS) / ΔΙΔΑΚΤΩΡ POST-DOC/0718, Coordinator Engino
- Marie Curie Proposal, Coordinator UCPH

Outreach Activities

- Researcher's Night 2018
- Fourth Biodiversity Workshop
- Robotics Workshop in collaboration with the MIC
- Teacher Professional Development Workshop, Headsup project
- Teacher Professional Development, Ministry of Education

Publications in Peer reviewed Journals

- **Lymbouridou C. & Louca L.** Capturing the dialectical aspect of classroom discussions about socio-scientific issues: An expanded analytic scheme. Manuscript to be submitted for review in the International Journal of Science Education.
- **Louca T.L., Santis M. & Tzialli D.** Following a Lesson Plan Vs. Attending to Student Inquiry: The Struggle of a Kindergarten Student-Teacher During Teaching Science. Manuscript to be submitted for review in the Elementary School Journal.
- Louca T. L., Tzialli D., Zacharia Z. & Michaelides M. Pre-service teachers' epistemological beliefs and actions. Manuscript to be submitted for review in the Educational Psychologist.
- **Louca T. L. & Skoulia T.** How, when and why: Pre-service elementary teachers' interaction with elements of in-class student inquiry. Manuscript to be submitted for review in the Journal of Science Teaching.

6.5.3. Cultural Studies and Contemporary Arts (CSCA) Lab



The CSCA Lab is unique in its mission to engage in innovative and cutting-edge research in areas crossing and combining various fields of study such as, arts history and theory, museum and curatorial studies; and media and cultural studies.

Membership

- Dr. Elena Stylianou (Director)
- Dr. Sophia Hadjipapa, European University Cyprus
- Ms. Yianna Christophorou, European University Cyprus
- Ms. Demetra Eglezou, European University Cyprus
- Dr. Teresa Markidou, Scientific Collaborator, European University Cyprus
- Dr. Marina Kassianidou, Assistant Professor, University of Colorado Boulder, US
- Ms. Despo Pasia, Museologist, UCL
- Dr. Evis Sammoutis, Assistant Professor, Ithaca College, US
- Dr. Theopisti Stylianou-Lambert, Associate Professor, CUT
- Dr. Niki Zanti-Philiastides, Associate Lecturer, Birkbick College, London and Scientific Collaborator, European University Cyprus

Projects

The CSCA Lab is/was partner to the following projects:

- 2018-2019. Project Partner: Contested Heritage: Interpreting archaeological collections in Cyprus with Syrian adolescent refugees, Funded by UCL Global Engagement Fund, London UK [Budget: £2,000]
- 2017-2018. Project leader and co-ordinator: Ar(t)chaeology: Intersections of Photography and Archaeology, Cultural Services, Ministry of Education and Culture, Nicosia, Cyprus [Budget: €50,000]
- 2017. Partner: Urban Emptiness / Soundscapes of Nicosia and Limassol, The Urban Emptiness Network.

The Director of the CSCA Lab serves as partner to the following projects:

- 2018-2019. Research Associate/Consultancy: State Gallery for Contemporary Art, Cultural Policy and Museological study for the new State Gallery in Nicosia, Cyprus, Funded by the Cultural Services, Ministry of Education and Culture, Nicosia, Cyprus [Budget: €15,000]
- 2016-2020. Member of Management Committee Action 15201: ARKWORK: **Archaeological practices and knowledge** work in the digital environment, COST-European Cooperation in Science and Technology [Budget: €48million]

Publications in refereed journals

Stylianou E. & Philippou N. (2018) "Miniature Landscape: Sharqi, The Instant Photograph and the re-invention of Cyprus' image", photographies.

Book Publications

- **Stylianou E. & Philippou N. (2018)** "Greek-Cypriot Locality: (Re)defining our Understanding of European Modernity", in P. Meecham (ed.) A Companion to Modern Art (pp.339-358). Hoboken, NJ: John Wiley & Sons, Inc.
- **Stylianou E., Eleftheriadou A. & Toumazis Y. (2018)** Ar(t)chaeology: Intersections of Photography and Archaeology. Nicosia, Cyprus: IAPT Press (International Association of Photography and Theory Press).

Presentations in Conferences

The Director of the Lab has presented at the following:

- 2018, February: Cultural Heritage and Contemporary Art Practice, Workshop, "The past in the present: Cultural Heritage
 as Repository of Knowledge and Source for Creative Practice in Education", Unesco and A.G. Leventis Gallery, Nicosia,
 Cyprus (with Dr Tereza Markidou)
- 2018, January: Ar(t)chaeology: Intersections of Photography and Archaeology, "Body & Exhibit: The historic artefact as a starting point for contemporary art production" [Σώμα & Έκθεμα Το ιστορικό έκθεμα ως σημείο έναρξης για τη σύγχρονη δημιουργία], Bank of Cyprus Cultural Foundation, Nicosia, Cyprus (with Artemis Eleftheriadou)
- 2017, June: Greek-Cypriot Locality: (Re)defining our Understanding of European Modernity, "Art in the Periphery" research network workshops, Lisbon, Portugal (with Nicos Philippou).

Conference and Other Events Organization

- 22-24 November 2018, 5th International Conference of Photography and Theory, Nicosia, Cyprus (Member of Organizing and Scientific Committee).
- 11-14 May 2017, 4th International Motion Festival (IMF), European University Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus (Member of Organizing and Scientific Committee).
- 10 May 2017, **Building the Future of Museum Education**, International Museum Day, The Cultural Studies and Contemporary Arts Lab in collaboration with A.G. Leventis Gallery, Nicosia, Cyprus.
- 8 April 2017, 2nd CSCA Lab Roundtable Discussion, "Museums and Technology: (Inter)action, Inclusion and Audiences", The Cultural Studies and Contemporary Arts Lab in collaboration with the Visual Sociology and Museum Studies Lab (CUT), European University Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus.
- 21 January 2017, 1st CSCA Lab Roundtable Discussion, "Museum Education Practices: Challenges and Dilemmas", The Cultural Studies and Contemporary Arts Lab, European University Cyprus, Nicosia, Cyprus.

Curatorial Projects

- November 2018: Ar(t)chaeology: Intersections of Photography and Archaeology, International Association of Photography and Theory, Nicosia Municipal Arts Center, Associated with the Pierides Foundation, Nicosia, Cyprus (member of curatorial team / facilitator
- May 2016-January 2017: Glyn Hughes, retrospective, Nicosia Municipal Arts Center, Associated with the Pierides Foundation, Nicosia, Cyprus (curator of educational programs).

Proposals Submitted

The following were submitted but were unsuccessful

■ 2017 & 2018. AMusEd (Museum Education for All), Cooperation for innovation and the exchange of good practices, Erasmus+ KA2 Strategic Partnership in the field of Youth, Cyprus [Budget: €299,345.00]

Other Activities

The Director of the Lab is a Member of the Committee for the Selection and Purchase of Art for the State Collection [Επιτροπή Αγοράς Έργων για την Κρατική Συλλογή], Ministry of Education and Culture, Cyprus

Plans for 2018-2019

- Prepare and submit for publication in refereed journals, the outcomes from the director's participation in the above research projects (in particular from ARTKWORK and Contested Histories)
- Prepare publication to refereed journal from the report written for the Study for the Cyprus Museum of Art
- Continue networking through participation in existing Erasmus and COST projects potentially for the preparation and submission of new research project
- Continue organizing events for the wider community for the promotion of the arts and expanding knowledge in contemporary art in Cyprus
- Finish a book project on contemporary art in Cyprus (to be published by Bloomsbury)
- Continue outreach activities and research collaborations through existing links and partnerships with UCL.





6.5.4. Center of Excellence in Risk & Decision Sciences (CERIDES)





The Center of Excellence in Risk and Decision Sciences (CERIDES) is a research institution operating in the premises of European University Cyprus since 2015. The main aim of CERIDES is to provide a holistic set of services in the areas of Risk and Decision Sciences.

CERIDES, through its participation in a wide range of research and industrial projects, provides a significant contribution in the production of focused, applied solutions, to real-life societal problems. Furthermore, CERIDES operates as a catalyst for the facilitation of enhanced interaction between academia and industrial stakeholders.

CERIDES has already managed to accumulate research funding more than €1.7 million, while continuously expanding its network of academic and industrial collaborators.

Membership

Academic Members:

Professor George Boustras

Professor Jean-Luc Wybo (adjunct)

Dr. Christos Dimopoulos

Dr. Konstantinos Katzis

Dr. Christodoulos Efstathiades

Dr. Pericles Cheng

Dr. Demetris Hadjiloucas

Dr. Apostolos Zaravinos

Dr. Maria Prodromou

Research Associates:

Dr. George Kioumourtzis

Dr. Ioanna Danidou

Dr. Yiannis Anyfantis

Ms. Louisa Shakou

Ms. Cleo Varianou

Mr. Vangelis Katsaros

Ms. Ilona Lasica

PhD Students:

Mr. Klearchos Polymeris

Mr. Paris Messios

Mr. Costas Hadjistephanou

Ms. Olga Nicolaidou

Mr. Nicholas Paris

Mr. Benson Chizubem







Projects (September 2017 – August 2018)

Projects Running

Project Acronym	Project Title	Funding Body	Funding Scheme	Call	Role	Total Budget (€)	CERIDES budget (€)	Duration	Start Date	End Date	Website
MEDEA	Mediterranean practitioners' network & capacity building for effective response to emerging security challenges	European Commission	Horizon 2020	SEC-21- GM-2016- 2017	Partner	3,500,000	178,000	5 years	Jun-18	May-23	
ALTER	Alliance for Disaster Risk Reduction	European Commission	DG-ECHO	UCPM- 2017-PP-AG	Partner	663,812	90,000	2 years	Jan-18	Jan-20	http:// alter- project.eu/
EPICURO	European Partnership for Innovative Cities within an Urban Resilience Outlook	European Commission	DG- Humanitaria n Aid		Partner	885,000	51,817.50	2 years	Feb-17	Jan-19	www.epicu rocp.eu
EU-CIRCLE	A pan-European framework for strengthening Critical Infrastructure resilience to climate change	European Commission	Horizon 2020	H2020- DRS-2015	Coordinator	7,283,526	400,000	3 years	Jun-15	Jun-18	http:// www.eu- circle.eu

Projects Acquired (to be started)

SAFED	Safety, Fire & Design: Simulation for Fire Safety Training-SAFED	European Commission	ERASMUS+	KA202: Asociaciones Estratégicas	Partner	189,976	36,000	2 years
AQ-SERVE	Air Quality Services for a cleaner air in Cyprus	Research promotion Foundation	Integrated Projects	INTEGRATED/0916/0017	Partner	1,119,000	115,000	4 years
Feed2loT	Technical and Social sensor aggregation for smart environment enhancement	Research promotion Foundation	Excellence Hubs	EXCELLENCE/1216/0478	Partner		68,363	2 years
	Upgrading the EU Postal Sector with new Skills	European Comission	ERASMUS+	EA/27/2017	Partner	348,920	42,000	2 years
ENREAC	ENhance REseArChers and HEI staff' skills and competences in data management and research integrity to increase academia collaboration capacity	European Comission	ERASMUS+	KA203/HE	Partner		39,655	2 years
SAT-LAW	Strategic Assessment for Law and Police Cooperation	European Comission	DG-Justice	JUST-AG-2017	Partner	907,000	57,000	2 years
ONCONAT	Functional and therapeutic implications of histone N-terminal acetyltransferase Naa40 in colorectal oncogenesis	Research promotion Foundation	Excellence Hubs	EXCELLENCE/1216/0036	Partner	250,000	11,759	3 years
RICTOR- ALPORT	Genetic modifiers in Alport syndrome and thin basement membrane nephropathy	Research promotion Foundation	Excellence Hubs	EXCELLENCE/1216/0417	Partner	250,000	8,804	3 years
DELIVER	Donkey Milk Bioactive Powder	Research promotion Foundation	RESEARCH IN ENTERPRISES	ENTERPRISES/0916/0083	Partner	200,000	20,575	2 years

Book Series as Editor

Boustras Georgios, (2017 -); On the Interface of Safety and Security, CRC Press, Taylor and Francis Group.

Books as Editor

Boustras Georgios, Guldenmund Fransiscus Wilhelmus (2017); Handbook of Safety in SME's, CRC Press (Taylor & Francis Group), USA; ISBN 9781498744720

Publications in refereed journals

- Hedel R, Boustras G, Gkotsis I, Vasiliadou I, Rathke P (2018), "Assessment of the European Programme for Critical Infrastructure Protection in the Surface Transport sector", International Journal of Critical Infrastructure, in print.
- **Tokakis V., Polychroniou P. and Boustras G. (2018)** 'Managing conflict in the public sector during crises: the impact on crisis management team effectiveness', Int. J. Emergency Management, Vol. 14, No. 2, pp.152–166.
- Boustras G., Ronchi E., Rein G. (2017). Fires: Fund research for citizen safety, Nature 551(7680), pp. 300
- **Boustras G, Guldenmund FW., (2017).** The effects of the global financial crisis on Occupational Safety and Health (OSH): Effects on the workforce and organizational safety systems, Safety Science, Available online 1 December 2017, ISSN 0925-7535, https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ssci.2017.11.025
- Varianou Mikellidou C., Shakou L. M., Boustras, G., & Dimopoulos C. (2017). Energy critical infrastructures at risk from climate change: A state of the art review. Safety Science. http://doi.org/10.1016/j.ssci.2017.12.022
- Roufas C., Chasiotis D., Makris A., Efstathiades C., Dimopoulos C., & Zaravinos A. (2018). The expression and prognostic impact of immune cytolytic activity-related markers in human malignancies: A comprehensive meta-analysis. Frontiers in Oncology, 8(FEB). http://doi.org/10.3389/fonc.2018.00027
- **Katzis K., Dimopoulos C., Meletiou-Mavrotheris M., & Lasica I.E. (2018).** Engineering Attractiveness in the European Educational Environment: Can Distance Education Approaches Make a Difference?, 8(1), https://doi.org/10.3390/educsci8010016)

Presentations in Conferences

- Cheng P., Dimopoulos C., & Case S. (2018). Remote robotic experimentation an evaluation of intention to use by high school teachers in Cyprus. In CSEDU 2018 Proceedings of the 10th International Conference on Computer Supported Education (Vol. 1).
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- Luković V., Kmeta R., Vulović A., Damnjanović D., Peulić A., Dimopoulos C., & Katzis K. (2017). Comparison of the effectiveness of Logisim software tool and remote experiments based on Nexys 2 FPGA platform in learning digital circuits design. In Proceedings of 2017 4th Experiment at International Conference: Online Experimentation, exp. at 2017. http://doi.org/10.1109/EXPAT.2017.7984400
- Lasica I.E., Katzis K., Meletiou-Mavrotheris M., & Dimopoulos C. (2017). Augmented reality in laboratory-based education: Could it change the way students decide about their future studies? In IEEE Global Engineering Education Conference, EDUCON. http://doi.org/10.1109/EDUCON.2017.7943042
- Despotou G., Jones R. W., Katzis K., Bilici E., Lei Z., Keung S.L.C. & Arvanitis T.N. (2017). Implications and modelling of data quality on confidence of clinical decision support: A conceptual framework. Studies in Health Technology and Informatics (Vol. 238). https://doi.org/10.3233/978-1-61499-781-8-140
- Katzis K., Jones R.W., & Despotou G. (2017). Totally connected healthcare with TV white spaces. Studies in Health Technology and Informatics (Vol. 238). https://doi.org/10.3233/978-1-61499-781-8-68

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Outreach Activities

Energy Critical Infrastructure Protection Symposium (ECIP) - Challenges of Energy Critical Infrastructure Protection:
 Current situation and future research work

The Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Cyprus and European University Cyprus, co-organized on 26 January, 2017, the "Energy Critical Infrastructure Protection Symposium (ECIP) - Challenges of Energy Critical Infrastructure Protection: Current situation and future research work". The Symposium was held at the university's premises and was conducted on the sidelines of the 3rd meeting of the Protection of Critical Energy Infrastructure Experts Group of the European Defence Agency (EDA).

The ECIP Symposium aimed to present:

- the Critical Infrastructure (CI) operator's view on the Critical Infrastructure Protection,
- the challenges pertaining to the protection of the CI with a focus on Energy related ones and,
- an overview of the research work that has been done so far in order to identify the capability gaps and the way ahead with the aim to ensure Cl's resilience.

The Minister of Defence, Mr. Christoforos Fokaides, and the Rector of EUC, Prof. Kostas Gouliamos, addressed the audience. The Workshop was moderated by Dr. George Boustras, Director of the Center of Excellence in Risk and Decision Science (CERIDES) of European University Cyprus.

Distinguished speakers of the Symposium included:

- Mr. George Papanastasiou, Managing Director VTT Vasiliko.
- Mr. Michalis Papamicael, Security Manager, NOBLE ENERGY, Cyprus
- Dr. Jaroslav Hajek Subject Matter Expert, NATO Energy Security Center of Excellence.
- Dr. Georgios Leventakis- Senior Advisor, Center for Security Studies, Hellenic Ministry of Interior.
- Dr. Naouma Kourti, Join Research Center, European Commission.
- Dr. Athanasios Sfetsos, ERL, Institute of Nuclear & Radiological Sciences & Technology, Energy & Safety, National Center for Scientific Research "Demokritos", Greece
- Mr. Adam Slolyak- DG Energy, European Commission.

The Symposium was open to the Academic Community and the public.

■ Workshop on Critical Infrastructure Protection and Climate Change, Cyprus

Organizer: Center for Risk and Decision Science (CERIDES)

Coordinator: Prof. George Boustras

Date: 7-8 March 2017

On 7-8 March 2017, EU-CIRCLE held a workshop on the topic of Critical Infrastructure Protection and Climate Change in Cyprus. The workshop was organised by European University Cyprus, and was co-organised with the Cyprus Civil Defence (Cyprus's national contact point for EU CI), with the participation of the Joint Research Center and local Critical Infrastructure Operators from the energy, ICT, water and public sectors. In total, 50 stakeholders participated in the workshop, which included presentations on the potential impacts of hydro-meteorological hazards on CI, the changing climate in Cyprus and future climate change predictions, as well as the EU-CIRCLE risk assessment and resilience frameworks. The second day of the workshop included a table-top exercise, where participants engaged in discussions on the predicted impacts of climate-change-exacerbated forest fires, on climate change risk assessment, and on potential response options in interconnected national infrastructures.

Proposals submitted Project Proposals in review

PROACT		European Commission	EASME	EASME/EMFF/2017/1.2.1.12
BROWAVE	Broadband wireless Access for Everyone	Cyprus Research Promotion Foundation	Restart 2016-2020	INTERNATIONAL/OTHER/ 0118/0012
SPASIFSB	Smart Precision Agriculture System for Improved Food Security and Biodiversity	African Union Research Grants	DCI-PANAF/ 2015/307-078	HRST/ST/AURG-II/CALL2/2018

6.5.5. Center for Sustainable Management of Tourism, Sport & Events (CESMATSE)



The Center for Sustainable Management of Tourism, Sport & Events (CESMATSE) is an independent research unit within the EUC School of Business Administration devoted to the advancement of scholarship and praxis on the sustainable management of tourism, sport and events sectors in order to enable their subsequent contribution to the sustainable development of host communities.

Membership

Scientific Committee Membership for the following conferences:

Global Conference on Business, Hospitality & Tourism Research (GLOSEARCH), Association of North America Higher Education International (ANAHEI) (http://glosearch.org), Vietnam, Ho Chi Minh City, 2018.

ICOT2018 - Emerging Tourism Destinations: Working Towards Balanced Tourism Development, Kavala, Greece, 2018.

GLOBE2018 - Global Conference on Business and Economics, Sarasota, Florida, USA, 2018.

ICOT2017 - Place and the Tourist Experience: Heritage, Sustainability and Economy, Chiang Mai, Thailand, 2017.

Projects

Culturizing Sustainable Cities (2014-Ongoing), Research associate from Cyprus, Center for Social Studies, University of Coimbra, Portugal (https://www.ces.uc.pt/projectos/culturizing/)

Publications in Refereed Journals

- **Boukas N. (2018).** Rural tourism and residents' well-being in Cyprus: towards a conceptualised framework of the appreciation of rural tourism for islands sustainable development and competitiveness. International Journal of Tourism Anthropology, (Forthcoming).
- Boukas N., Ioannou M., & Sourouklis C. (2017). Investigating islands visitor experiences in cultural heritage museums: the case of Cyprus. International Journal of Tourism Policy, 7(4), 327-351.
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Outreach Activities

Maintenance of CESMATSE website in Greek and English (http://cesmatse.weebly.com/)

Proposals Submitted

"SEMELI- Essays in Culinary Tourism & Culture: travel, meet, live & taste!, Partner, ERASMUS +, Reference number 600996-EPP-1-2018-1-EL-EPPKA2-KA

Other Activities

Editorship:

- Boukas N. (2018). Special Issue: Niche Tourism and Residents' Well-being in Island Destinations, International Journal of Tourism Anthropology (Forthcoming).
- **Boukas N., Ioannou M., & Sourouklis C. (2017).** Special Issue: Establishing Innovative Products and Processes in Tourism: The Role of Service Experience. International Journal of Tourism Policy, 7(4).

Book Chapter:

Boukas N., & Ioannou M. (2019). Visitor experiences of popular culture museums in islands: a management and policy approach. In C. Lundberg & V. Ziakas (Eds.), Handbook of Popular Culture and Tourism, Oxon, Routledge, pp.450-463.

Plans for 2018-2019

- Enrich scholarship of the center with further publications and participation in conferences.
- Seeking partnerships with other institutions for joining in projects related to tourism and events.
- Maintenance of the Center's webpages.

6.5.6. SYSTEMA (Systems Thinking for Business, Management and Engineering)



The research center SYSTEMA (Systems Thinking for Business, Management and Engineering) is unique in Cyprus in its mission to work with the local SMEs, communities, stakeholders and public authorities to build the foundations necessary to promote business innovation through Systems Thinking approaches and to become a major solutions provider to complex systems problems.

SYSTEMA is an interdisciplinary research center that aims to become the focal point for research, applications and education for the Cypriot SMEs and local communities, but also to become a major player in the Mediterranean and the wider area of Europe.

The need for a forum to inform, strengthen, and engage communities made the School of Business at the European University Cyprus a logical choice for housing the research center SYSTEMA. The center benefits from the expertise and stature of the School of Business in education, research and collaboration with the stakeholders.

The SYSTEMA research center was approved during the 55th Senate meeting on 14 February 2018.

Membership

Director: Prof. George Papageorgiou

Assistant to the Director: Mr. Athanasios Maimaris

Advisory Board:

Representatives of stakeholders:

- Dr. Eudokia Balamou (ANETEL)
- Mr. Gregoris Demetriou, (HRDA)
- Representatives of the School Faculty members:
- Prof. Andreas Efstathiades (School of Business)
- Prof. Andreas Hadjis (School of Business)
- Prof. George Boustras (School of Business)
- Dr. Onisiforos Iordanous (School of Business)
- Dr. Simona Mihai (School of Business)
- Dr. Dino Domic (School of Business)
- Dr. Loukia Evripidou (School of Business)
- Dr. Myria Ioannou (School of Business)
- Dr. Christos Dimopoulos (School of Sciences)
- Dr. Christodoulos Efstathiades (School of Sciences)

Projects

Project "Smart Pedestrian Net – Smart cities are walkable: SPN - a model to plan a pedestrian network and a pedestrian navigation system." Co-funded by the Research Promotion Foundation (RPF) Cyprus with protocol no. KOINA/ΠΚΠ URBAN EUROPE/1215/11 and ERA-NET Cofund Smart Urban Futures (ENSUF) – JPI Urban Europe 4th call, supported by the European Commission under the Horizon 2020 program.

http://ctac.uminho.pt/spn

The project began on 1 March, 2017 and is scheduled to finish by 31 August, 2019 (30 months)

A brief description of the project is as follows:

Walkability is the key to an urban area's efficient transportation within livable cities. Walkable areas bring various health, economic and environmental benefits to cities and their inhabitants. The aim of the project is to develop and apply a Smart Pedestrian Network (SPN) to assess and improve walkability in cities. The SPN is based on four main innovative components: (i) using a spatial-based multi-criteria analysis performed through a geographic information system and a consideration of the wide range of urban criteria; (ii) integrating people's needs and preferences in a pedestrian navigation system; (iii) evaluating and ranking the streets/areas according to their walkability; (iv) supporting a pedestrian navigation system, an innovative technological application, to help pedestrians find suitable footpaths according to specific criteria and preferences. The model will be implemented in the cities of Porto and Bologna. The SPN will demonstrate the level of walkability, the configuration and connectivity of the pedestrian streets, the measures to promote walkability, the challenges facing its implementation and the main key issues concerning the technological application. The overall goal is to provide a model to help European cities to be people-oriented by improving walkability as one of the important dimensions of smart sustainable and inclusive cities.

Publications in Book Chapters

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Publications in Refereed Journals

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Presentations in Conferences

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Outreach Activities

A public lecture on the SPN project carried out by the SYSTEMA research center was organised by the Association for Computing Machinery (ACM) Cyprus Chaptertitleds "SPN – Smart Cities are Walkable". The lecture was presented at European University Cyprus, Auditorium Beta on 9 July, 2018 at 7:30pm. The duration of the lecture was one hour and it was attended by about 50 people.

The abstract of the lecture was:

Walking may be considered one of the most sustainable and democratic ways of travelling within a city. Unfortunately, today people drive more and walk less. Walking provides benefits not only to the pedestrians, but also to the urban and natural environment. Besides, walking is also one of the means of transport subjected to factors outside an individual's control, like social or physical abilities to walk and the presence of comfortable and safe street infrastructure and services. Therefore, improving urban conditions provided to pedestrians has a positive impact on walkability.

At the same time, technological solutions and innovations have the power to encourage and support people to walk by overcoming immaterial barriers such as lack of information on walkable streets or uninteresting routes. Also, the possibility exists to give policy makers the chance to gain insight in how and where people walk. Merging these two dimensions of technology and policy-making in a unique approach can drastically improve accessibility, attractiveness, safety, comfort and security of urban spaces.

The Smart Pedestrian Network (SPN) project, co-funded by the Republic of Cyprus (Research Promotion Foundation) and the European Regional Development Fund as part of ERA-NET Cofund Smart Urban Futures (ENSUF) under the H2020 program aspires to help promote walkability through technological means via a smartphone application system. This app can suggest suitable routes for travelling in a city that match the pedestrian's personal abilities and requirements such as: walkthrough comfortable, safe areas, with appropriate street furniture (benches, lighting), connectivity with other means of transport and so on. The SPN smartphone application system will also have the ability to record problem areas, as perceived by pedestrians, and comment on this to the local municipality. With the help of municipalities as partners, we aim to help policy makers on where to focus their effort to enhance walkability of their own city and thus the quality of life of people, in a modern smart city.

- **Prof. Papageorgiou attended two RPF funded brokerage events in 2017 and one in 2018.** He is scheduled to attend another RPF funded brokerage event in October 2018:
 - RPF protocol number B2B-EVENTS/0617/0013
 26-27/10/2017 in Brussels, Belgium: H2020 Cities of the Future 2017
 Development of an Optimized Power Plant Utilizing Renewable Energy for Small Rural Communities (R.EN.COM)

The aim of the proposed project (R.EN.COM) is to design and implement an optimized micro power-plant prototype utilizing renewable energy for generating electricity and the other forms of energy for storage or direct use. The proposed power plant will be suitable for small rural communities. Such a system will satisfy all the energy needs of community buildings and used as an emergency shelter in case of natural disasters or major power cuts. The system will utilize a combination of several renewable energy sources, such as photovoltaics, concentrated solar thermal, wind energy, and hydroelectric energy. As the various sources of renewable energy can be harvested in periodic but also uncertain manner, an energy storage solution will also be developed. The integrated production-storage energy system solution, which includes multiple components, will be controlled with a central electronic module, providing also energy conversion (voltage levels and frequency) in terms of directing the energy flow in a certain direction. Also, an optimization model will be developed on the combination of energy components, which minimizes fixed and variable costs of the system. The R.EN.COM optimization model will consider variables having to do with local community conditions such as ambient temperature, wind velocity, insolation, required load (kW) and length of energy source downtime.

It should be emphasized, that the market calls for such a universal solution, which comprises of several scalable, reliable and effective functional modules. We aim for a system that will be viable from both a commercial as well as an environmental viewpoint.

RPF protocol number B2B-EVENTS/0617/0034
 13/12/2017 in Brussels, Belgium: ETNA 2020 Brokerage Event - Horizon 2020 "Smart green and integrated transport" calls 2018

Intelligent Pedestrian Mobility Systems (IPMS)

The envisioned IPMS would take the form of a smartphone software application with a server component. IPMS represents an entirely new way of thinking in the area of smart cities enabling municipalities and local authorities to focus on sustainable development of the urban development. In this way, citizens will ensure safe, comfortable mobility with minimal carbon footprint.

IPMS would complement current ITS by focusing on pedestrians, giving them information that would enhance their mobility and improve their quality of life, or could even save them from a potential threat of a road accident. Further, IPMS would promote walking rather than driving, leading to great advantages for reducing the carbon footprint, reducing obesity, increasing the quality of life of citizens all over the world.

RPF protocol number B2B-EVENTS/0617/0066 3-4/09/2018 in Oslo, Norway: Brokerage for Health

This brokerage event Horizon 2020 for Health on 3-4 September 2018 is an opportunity for us to meet prospective partners for cooperating with us as potential coordinators for the below project:

Intelligent Pedestrian Mobility System in an Ageing Society (IPMS-AS)

The envisioned IPMS-AS would take the form of a smartphone software application with a server component that is supported by the municipal authorities. IPMS-AS represents an entirely new way of thinking in the area of active and healthy ageing, enabling elderly people to have a healthier, and happy way of life. The envisioned system will provide the elderly information about the urban environment, so that they will be motivated to walk to a variety of reachable destinations for increasing physical activity and thus have a more healthy, social, and higher quality of life. The idea of IPMS-AS contributes to safe, comfortable mobility with minimal carbon footprint and, above all, to a healthy way of living.

Proposals Submitted

■ BrainHR: Brain-HR Development in the Tourism Industry of Cyprus

This project was submitted to RPF under the call EXCELLENCE, with protocol number EXCELLENCE/1216/068

The proposed project, BRAINHR, will initiate pioneering new basic research using a dedicated electronic device, PANDIAS. The overall goal is to carry out field experiments for basic high-quality research. We will apply this new basic research capability to the tourism industry of Cyprus, which is one of the main areas for smart specialization for the island. The results will provide fundamental new insights about the way the human brain processes information. We will focus on sectors of the tourism industry to enhance the selection and development of human resources.

The proposed project is fully compatible with Pillar II objective since it promotes the inherent strength of the Host Organization (HO) in basic research advancing its prospects both internationally and nationally. Internationally, it pushes beyond pioneering research already accomplished at the HO through the analysis of data collected with expensive instrumentation in Japan. The new research is accomplished with simpler instrumentation and a new tomographic method developed very recently at the HO for the simpler and more widely available electroencephalography (EEG) technology. At the national level, the proposed project brings the pioneering research of the HO to the heart of the tourism industry.

Again, in full compliance with the pillar objective, the work enhances the research and innovation system in Cyprus at the level of actions and personnel development in two ways. First, it enhances personnel capabilities and its optimal use within each domain (basic research and tourism industry). Second, it brings the scientist and the managers of each sector in direct contact with each other through the mutual benefit of a successful end-use implementation. The resulting benefits have economic and social implications. At the economic level, optimal allocation and development of personnel upgrades the final tourism product of the island. On the social side, recognition of abilities and specific learning difficulties opens up new ways for promoting excellence and alleviating suffering and below par performance. This is achieved through targeted training and better understanding of fundamental learning and other difficulties that should not be ignored.

Plans for 2018-2019

We expect to publish at least five research papers and to attend scopus-cited academic conferences. We will also attend networking events to find suitable partners. Furthermore, we will prepare and submit proposals for funding in our area of research.

6.5.7. School of Medicine Research Center (SMRC)

The organization of the School of Medicine Research Center (SMRC) at European University Cyprus (EUC) is based on EU directives and international standards, and it has been founded in collaboration with distinguished scholars from Cyprus and abroad. It serves as the regional 'educational medical-platform', providing high-caliber education in medicine and healthcare, targeting not only residents of Cyprus, but also international medical student candidates from Europe, Asia, the Americas, Africa and the Middle East. With an emphasis on interdisciplinary approaches, EUC is one of the leading research institutions in Cyprus. During the last few years, the University has developed an intense action in a wide spectrum of ICT, Health, and Socioeconomic Sciences and Medical Humanities through coordination or participation in national, international and European Union-funded research programs. Sources of funding for research conducted by faculty members include the 8th Framework Programme, the Life-Long Learning 2007-2013 Programme, the Research Promotion Foundation, the United Nations, Governmental Bodies and others.

Membership

- Dr. Anastasis Stephanou, Director SMRC, Professor Cell Biology & Genetics
- Dr. Elizabeth Johnson, Acting Dean, Professor Anatomy
- Dr. George Petrikkkos, Clinical Coordinator, Professor
- Dr. Ioannis Patrikios, Chair, Professor, Biochemistry
- Dr. Theodoros Xanthos, Vice Chair Professor, Physiology Pathophysiology
- Dr. Elpida-Niki Emmanouil Nikoloussi, Professor Histology/Embryology
- Dr. Adamos Hadjipanayi, Assistant Professor, Pediatrics
- Dr. Ilias Nikas, Lecturer, Pathological Anatomy
- Dr. Dimitrios Ntourakis, Lecturer, General Surgery
- Dr. Constantinos Tsioutis, Lecturer, Internal Medicine
- Dr. Eirini Agapidaki, Lecturer, Public Health

Projects/Research Interest in the SMRC

- 1. Cancer Biology
- 2. Cardiovascular Biology
- 3. Genetics and Genomics
- 4. Neurodegenerative diseases
- 5. Rehabilitation, Endocrinology
- 6. Obesity and Diabetes
- 7. Infectious Diseases
- 8. Environmental Diseases and Stress and stress-related diseases.
- 9. Dental material, Orthodontics and Prosthodontics and restorative

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Presentations in Conferences

- Professor A. Stephanou presented at the 11th Workshop of Cell Death, 6-11 May Fuiggi, Italy 2018
- Professor A. Stephanou presented at the 5th International Multi-thematic Scientific Bio0Medical Congress 2-4 November 2017, EUC, Cyprus
- **Prof. E. Johnson,** lecture "Neuroanatomy of Stress: Understanding Neural Circuits in Stress & Stress Disorders" at the 1st International Congress of Institute of Stress Biology & Medicine, 20 January 2017, Athens, Greece
- **Prof. E. Johnson,** Lecture "Neural Circuitry of Stress" at the 5th International Multi-thematic Scientific Bio-Medical Congress 2-4 November 2017, EUC, Cyprus
- **Prof E. Johnson**, Lecture "Cortical Functional Anatomy" at the Intracranial Glioma Workshop: From A to Z, 6-8 April, 2017, Larissa, Greece
- Prof E. Johnson, Lecture "Neuroanatomical correlates & vulnerability to stress & depression", 20 January 2017
- Prof. E. Johnson, Lecture "Learning about the brain" Brain Awareness Week, Federation of European Neuroscience Societies, Niarchos Foundation, May 2018
- Prof. I. Patrikios, Invited Speaker, Neuro-immunology congress Thessaloniki, December 2017 "Neuroaspis as a novel therapeutic intervention for Multiple Sclerosis"
- Prof. I. Patrikios, Invited Speaker, ANIVA pharma at ECTRIMS France, September 2017 "Specific structured molecules and antioxidant vitamins in neurodegenerative diseases"
- Prof. I. Patrikios, Invited Speaker, Multiple sclerosis congress, Larissa, October 2017 "Inflammation in multiple sclerosis"
- Prof. I. Patrikios, Speaker, 5th international congress IMBMC, Nicosia Cyprus, November 2017
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- E.N. Emmanouil-Nikoloussi, Prevention of birth defects in contaminated areas. Special Invitation of the EUROPEAN PARLIA-MENT. Roundtable on Health risk prevention in EU areas characterized by High Environmental Pressure, 6 December 2016, European Parliament Room ASP1H3
- **E.N. Emmanouil-Nikoloussi**, Air pollution and prenatal development. ETS Invited Award Lecture. Reproductive Toxicology Journal .V 72.13-14, 2017
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- **E.N. Emmanouil-Nikoloussi**, Nanoparticles, environmental pollutants and pregnancy outcomes. Invited Lecture at the 14th International Conference on Nanosciences & Nanotechnologies (NN17) 4-7 July 2017, Thessaloniki, Greece
- **E.N. Emmanouil-Nikoloussi**, Particulate Matters-PM, Endocrine Disruptors and fetal disease susceptibility in polluted contaminated areas. Invited Lecture at the 15th International Conference on Nanosciences & Nanotechnologies (NN18) 3-6 July 2017, in Thessaloniki, Greece

Outreach Activities

- School of Medicine participated in Researcher's Night Event September 2017: 'Exploring the Brain'
- School of Medicine/School of Dentistry is planning to present Researcher's Night Event September 2018: 'Human Development-The Fundamentals of Human Life'

Proposals Submitted

- ESFRI projects / Landamarks (Directorate General for European Programmes). Title: EU Open Screen- European Research Infrastructure of Open Screen Platforms for Chemical Biology (AS)
- ESFRI projects / Landamarks (Directorate General for European Programmes Title: CESSDA- Consortium of European Social Sciences Data Archives (EN)
- Platform for Bioscienses and Human Health in Cyprus: Enabling Synchrotron Analyses of Modern and Ancient Human Tissues (BEST Platform). Submitted with EUC as a Partner (EN)
- INFRASTRUCTURES/1216/0009 BioMERA-platform. The Submitted Proposal has passed the First Stage of Evaluation and selected for the second stage of Evaluation. Submitted with EUC as a Partner
- GENDER-NET Plus ERA-NET Cofund
 - Digital registration: Neurodegenerative Cohort Cyprus/Athens AND Response to stress cohort EU /CING as Partner (IP, AS EJ) Total share 80,000, 24 months
- The Research Promotion Foundation Programmes for Research, Technological Development and Innovation "Restart
 2016 2020". International Collaborations Dual Targeting (Cyprus United Arab Emirates)
 - Title: Characterization of the Phyto-compound Annonacin as an Anti-Cancer Agents: Novel activity as inhibitors of SERCA and Na+/K+-ATPase Pumps
 - EUC as coordinator (AS and IP) 100,000, 24 months
- The Research Promotion Foundation Programmes for Research, Technological Development and Innovation "Restart 2016 2020". International Collaborations Dual Targeting (Cyprus USA)
 - Title: Relationship Between Infection with Human Adenovirus-36 (Adv36) and the Etiologies of Obesity and Obesity-related Breast Cancer
 - EUC as coordinator (IP AS) 100,000, 24 months
- 350 Merck Research Grants application
 - Title: Investigating the role of Tripterygium Wilfordii Hook F and its Phyto-compounds as Anti-cancer Agents EUC PI (AS) 350,000 for 3 years
- EUC as partner (CT) in a proposal for **Transnational network for antimicrobial resistance and One Health: building inter-disciplinary virtual research institute** Eighth Joint Transnational Call For Networks Within The Joint Programming Initiative On Antimicrobial Resistance: 50,000 euros, 12 months.
- EUC as Secondary Proposer (GP, CT) in COST Network "Towards One Health: an interdisciplinary approach to bio-social antimicrobial resistance ecologies".

Plans for 2018-2019

Grants in progress (National level)

- Cardi0-50 Call: Implementation of best practices to promote health and prevent noncommunicable diseases and to reduce health inequalities. EU Call with collaboration with the Cyprus Ministry of Health (EJ, EA AS)
- Childhood obesity prevention program: In collaboration with the Cyprus Ministry of Health (EJ, EA AS
- Microbiome and obesity (THE RESEARCH PROMOTION FOUNDATION) A H
- eHealth4u (THE RESEARCH PROMOTION FOUNDATION) A H
- FMF Analysis (THE RESEARCH PROMOTION FOUNDATION) A H

6.5.8. Astrophysics and High Performance Computing (AHPC) research group



The Astrophysics and High Performance Computing (AHPC) research group (http://ahpc.euc.ac.cy) of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering of European University Cyprus was established in 2012 and carries out pioneering work in Astrophysics and Parallel and Distributed Computing. The group has a prestigious network of international collaborators and is directed by Prof. Andreas Efstathiou who also currently serves as Vice Rector of Research and External Affairs.

One of the highlights of the activity of the group this year was the participation in a significant publication in Science (Mattila et al 2018), which reported the discovery of the first dust-enshrouded tidally disrupted event (TDE). The group was also awarded the project GRaph Theoretical Tools in Sciences (GRATOS), which is one of the 'Excellence Hubs' projects awarded by the Research Promotion Foundation. The project will be carried out in collaboration with the company AAISCS in Nicosia, National Technical University of Athens, National Observatory of Athens, and University of Hawaii at Manoa.

Membership

- Prof. Andreas Efstathiou, Head of group
- Dr. Vicky Papadopoulou-Lesta, Assistant Professor
- Dr. Andreas Papadopoulos, Post-doctoral Research Associate
- Ms. Natalie Christopher, Research Associate
- Ms. Elena Stylianou, PhD student

Projects

The group is currently involved in a number of projects:

- Herschel Extragalactic Legacy Project (HELP) funded by FP7
- Cyprus Science & Research Center (CSRC) funded by Horizon2020
- Herschel ULIRG Survey (HERUS)
- Supernovae UNmasked By Infra-Red Detection (SUNBIRD)
- Dark Energy Survey (DES)

Publications in refereed journals

- Mattila S., Perez-Torres M.A., Efstathiou A., et al., 'A dust-enshrouded tidal disruption event with a resolved radio jet in a galaxy merger, 2018, Science, 361, 482
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- Malek K., et al., 'HELP: modelling the spectral energy distributions of Herschel detected galaxies in the ELAIS N1 field', 2018, AA, in press
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Presentations in Conferences

- **Efstathiou A.,** 'Robust and Efficient SED fitting with Radiative Transfer models', in 'A Cosmic Census of the Galaxies in the Distant Universe', University of Sussex, Brighton, October 2017
- Farrah D., et al., 2018, 'The most luminous AGN in the Universe are not preferentially triggered by mergers', American Astronomical Society, AAS Meeting #231, id. 304.06

Outreach Activities

In 2017-2018, the AHPC group carried out a number of outreach activities, which aimed to stir the interest of young people in astronomy and science in general:

- Researcher's Night, September 2017
- Presentation at 'Star-gazing in the Limassol sky, 28 May 2018
- Talk atEthnomartyras Kyprianou Lyceum, 20 March 2018

Other Activities

The group participated in the successful bid to the European Space Agency (ESA) for the Space Infrared telescope for Cosmology and Astrophysics (SPICA), which this year was selected as a candidate for the ESA's fifth medium class mission in its Cosmic Vision science programme.

Proposals Submitted

- The group submitted several funding proposals to Horizon 2020, the Research Promotion Foundation, Erasmus+, ESA (e.g. ASTROCOMP, STARWAY, CYGNUS, I-Conn).
- The group also participated in a number of telescope proposals to a number of space and ground-based observatories around the world.

Plans for 2018-2019

The group plans to:

- Participate in the submission of the TEAMING project of the Cyprus Science and Research Center (CSRC) for phase II.
- Submit a number of proposals for international and national programs in the next year in order to secure more funding.
- Increase the number of participation in telescope proposals.
- Maintain and increase the number of publications by the group.
- The group also plans further expansion in High-Performance Computing, Data Mining, Machine Learning, in collaboration with other groups or researchers at EUC, Cyprus and internationally.
- The group also plans to considerably expand its outreach activities.

6.5.9. Cyprus Musculoskeletal and Sports Trauma Research Center (CYMUSTREC)

Membership

- Dr. Dimitrios Stasinopoulos
- Dr. Dimitrios Lamnisos
- Mr. Antonis Constantinou
- Ms. Areti Cheimonidou
- Mr. Panayiotis Rentzias

Publications in refereed journals

16 in international journals, 1 in Greek Journal

- Stasinopoulos D. (2018). The Effectiveness of Eccentric-Concentric Training, Isometric Contractions, Scapular and Rotator Cuff Strengthening on Pain and Disability in Lateral Elbow Tendinopathy: A Case Report. J Phy Fit Treatment & Sports.; 5(1): 555651.
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- **24-26 November 2017:** 27th annual scientific physiotherapy conference in Athens. Paper titled: "The effect of manual therapy of TrPs in patients with neck pain and headache: A critical study". Chimonidou AZ, Stasinopoulos D.
- 24-26 November 2017: 27th annual scientific physiotherapy conference in Athens. Paper titled: The effectiveness of eccentric-concentrated strengthening and isometric contraction in a patient with chronic Achilles tendonitis. A Case study. Stasinopoulos D.
- 6-7 October 2017: The Second World Congress of Sports Physical Therapy Paper titled: The Effectiveness of Isometric Contractions Combined with Eccentric Concentric Training and Simple LumboPelvic Control Exercises on Pain and Disability in Chronic Patellar Tendinopathy: A Case Study. Stasinopoulos D
- **6-7 October 2017:** The Second World Congress of Sports Physical Therapy. Paper titled: The effectiveness of eccentric concentric training and isometric contractions on pain and disability in Achilles tendinopathy. A Case Study. Stasinopoulos D.

Proposals Submitted

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Other Activities

- Oral presentations in conferences (local and international)
- Cooperation with Dr. Malliaras (Monash University, Australia) and Mr. Dylan Morrissey (Queen Mary University of London)

Plans for 2018-2019

- Research in the area of tendonopathy.
- The validity and reliability of questionnaires
- The effectiveness of Indiba in the management of shoulder pain
- The effectiveness of Bioptron light in the management of shoulder pain
- How Cypriot physiotherapists use physio techniques in practice
- Management of trigger points
- Management of patellofemoral syndrome

6.5.10. Center for Game Studies

Membership

Dr. Georgios Christou

Projects

- Electronic Marketing Playground Platform Operational Program Of The Ministry Of Energy, Industry And Tourism
- Interfaces H2020 Research Program
- Sparks H2020 Research Program

Publications in refereed journals

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Plans for 2018-2019

The Center for Game Studies will become affiliated with EUC-PEAK to further strengthen its association with the industry, and submit further proposals both in the European frameworks and for National grants.





6.5.11. Research Laboratory in ICT-Enhanced Education (ICTEE)

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Rapid developments in information and communication technology (ICT) are fundamentally transforming the field of education, offering boundless opportunities for improving both the quality of education provision and the efficiency of delivery. At the same time, the abundance and continuous development of technological innovations is creating unprecedented challenges for individuals and organizations, who struggle to find the most powerful instructional uses for new technologies. There is widespread concern for educational standards and appropriate technology utilization, and a pressing need for systematic research on the instructional effectiveness of ICT technologies to guide effective program design and implementation.

The Research Laboratory in ICT-Enhanced Education (ICTEE) is committed to promoting the best in educational technology through the conduct of high quality research that can stimulate effective innovations and improved learning outcomes. Although based at the European University Cyprus (EUC) and firmly committed to the bettering of education at this university, the Laboratory extends its efforts beyond EUC by entering into creative partnerships with educational, community, corporate, and research groups in Cyprus and beyond. It serves as a national resource for stimulating research on innovative, technology-enabled solutions to critical problems in education and training, which can provide faster and more effective access to knowledge for all learners, regardless of their circumstances.

This report provides a brief overview of the main activities conducted by members of the ICTEE Laboratory during the 2017-2018 academic year.

Membership

- Prof. Maria Meletiou-Mavrotheris, Director
- Prof. Andreas Efstathiou, Special Advisor
- Prof. Despina Stylianou, External Education Specialist
- Prof. Dani Ben-Zvi, External Education Specialist
- Dr. Christos Dimopoulos, ICT Coordinator
- Dr. Katerina Mavrou, Assistive Technology Specialist
- Dr. Konstantinos Katzis, ICT specialist
- Dr. George Stylianou, ICT specialist
- Dr. Andreas Grondoudis, ICT specialist
- Dr. George Christou, ICT specialist
- Dr. Pericles Cheng, ICT specialist
- Dr. Marina Nikiforou-Appiou, Math specialist
- Dr. Constadina Charalambous, Language Education & Literacy Specialist
- Ms. Ilona-Elefteryja Lasica, PhD student
- Ms. Christina Varnava Vasou, PhD student
- Ms. Panayiota Anastasi, PhD student

Projects

- European Commission H2020-WIDESPREAD-04-2017-TeamingPhase1/WIDESPREAD-04-2017 (Research Collaborator): CSRC Center for STEAM Education Research, Science Communication and Innovation (Ref. #: 763594), level of funding €399,750, 2017-2018.
- European Commission Erasmus+ / Key action 2, Strategic Partnerships for school education (Research Collaborator): EL-STEM Enlivened Laboratories within STEM Education Motivating EU students to choosing STEM studies & careers and improving their performance in courses related to STEM education (Ref. #: 2017-1-CY01-KA201-026775), level of funding €312,373, 2017-2020.
- European Commission Erasmus+ / Key action 2, Strategic Partnerships for Higher Education (Research Collaborator): JUPTER@EDU – Infrastructure for cloud-based system education: Scalable implementation of Jupyter notebook system for scientific explorations (Ref. #: 2017-1-PL01-KA203-038747), level of funding €157,435, 2018-2020.
- **European Commission Erasmus**+ / **Key action 2, Strategic Partnerships for school education (Program Coordinator):** STEMitUP Instilling interest in STEM entrepreneurship to European students (Ref. #: 2017-1-NO01-KA201-034201), level of funding €184,936, 2017-2019.
- **European Commission Erasmus+ / Key action 2, Strategic Partnerships for school education (Program Coordinator):** The Living Book Augmenting Reading For Life (Ref. #: 2016-1-CY01-KA201-017315), level of funding €375,000, 2016-2019.
- **European Commission** Erasmus+ / Key action 2, Strategic Partnerships for Adult Education (Research Collaborator): PLAY&LEARN DIGIMEDIA Playful Learning Experience Enhancing adult education and learning environments with digital media (Ref. #: 2016-1-FI01-KA204-022757), level of funding € 247,545, 2016-2019.
- **European Commission Erasmus+ / Key action 2, Strategic Partnerships for school education (Research Collaborator):** Constructivism in Teaching Mathematics (Ref. #: 2015-1-PL01-KA201-017121), level of funding €201,265, 2015-2017.

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- Meletiou-Mavrotheris M., Paparistodemou E. and Christou Ch. (2018). Tablets in the service of statistics education: A case study of their introduction in a primary school in Cyprus. To appear in: Proceedings of the Tenth International Conference on Teaching Statistics (ICOTS10, July, 2018), Kyoto, Japan.
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Outreach Activities

We have organized various professional development workshops on ICT-enhanced education targeting primary and/or secondary teachers, as well as higher and adult education instructors (e.g. on game-enhanced learning, mobile learning, augmented reality, etc.).

- We have organized/co-organized various multipliers events for disseminating the outputs of our EU-funded projects.
- We have been providing ongoing support (on a voluntary basis) to Makedonitissa C' Primary School for the integration of mobile devices into the mathematics curriculum

Proposals Submitted

- The Laboratory was actively involved in the development of eight research proposals submitted for funding by the European Union or the Cyprus Research Promotion Foundation. The following proposal did succeed in obtaining funding, and the respective project will commence in December 2018:
- European Commission Erasmus+ / Key action 2, Strategic Partnerships for Higher education (Research Collaborator): ENREAC-HEI: ENhance REseArChers and HEI staff' skills and competences in data management and research integrity to increase academia collaboration capacity (Ref. #: 2017-1-CY01-KA201-026775), level of funding €165 000, 2018-2020.

In addition, the selection of the following new project in which ICTEE participates as a Research Coordinator is still pending:

■ Research Promotion Foundation – Restart 2016-2018 / International Collaborations – Dual Targeting: MobileMathEd: Mobile Technologies for Nurturing Inquiry-Based Mathematics Teaching and Learning in Primary Education, requested level of funding €75 000.

Furthermore, the Laboratory has continued to expand its research collaborations with individual scholars and research institutions in Europe and the US.

Other Activities

- ICTEE has led the design and implementation of two 5-day long Staff Training Programs targeting consortium members of two of our projects (Living Book & EL-STEM)
- Meletiou-Mavrotheris, Katzis, Dimopoulos, & Lasica are guest editors of the Education Sciences Journal Special Issue "Advances of Augmented and Mixed Reality in Education"

Plans for 2018-2019

During the 2018-2019 academic year, we will continue to initiate and support world-class research on ICT-Enhanced teaching and learning. Through experimental and practice-oriented research and development, we will make the difference in researching and facilitating communication and learning in technology-enhanced environments, being at the forefront of developments in the field in both national and international contexts.

Participation in Research Projects

- In 2018-2019, we will participate in six ongoing EU-funded research projects. We will also participate in the following research project, also supported by the European Union, which will commence in December 2018:
- European Commission Erasmus+ / Key action 2, Strategic Partnerships for Higher education (Research Collaborator): ENREAC-HEI: ENhance REseArChers and HEI staff' skills and competences in data management and research integrity to increase academia collaboration capacity (Ref. #: 2017-1-CY01-KA201-026775), level of funding €165 000, 2018-2020.

Conference Presentations/Research Publications

We will continue presenting our research work at national and international conferences, and publishing its findings in scholarly books and journals. A number of manuscripts are currently under preparation, and will be completed and submitted to international journals and other scholarly publications during the new academic year.

Submission of Grant Proposals

We will continue to be actively working towards the realization of our research goals by developing research proposals for grant funding by major national and international organizations. Furthermore, we will continue to expand our research collaborations with scholars in Europe, the US, Greece, and Cyprus.International Relations:

6.5.12. Collaboration with Foreign Universities/Organizations

In the Academic year 2017-2018, the University signed Memoranda of Understanding and/or other agreements with the following universities/organizations with the aim of exchanging knowhow, design, offering joint programs of study, as well as enriching the university research activity and the training of our students:

- Stockholm University, Sweeden
- Α.Ε.Ι. Πειραιά
- Anhembi Morumbi Universidade, Brazil
- Beijing International Education Institute, China
- Galileo Global Education Germany
- Harvard T.H. Chan (School of Public Health)
- Moscow Polytechnic University
- URAL Federal University, Russia
- University of Woosong, South Korea
- Black Sea and Eastern Meditteranean Academic Network
- American Medical Center (AMC) American Heart Institute
- American Gastroenterology Center, Ioannis P. Kaimakliotis Md, AGAF
- «BZΛ» Βήματα Ζωής (Λευκωσίας)
- «ΒΖΛ» Βήματα Ζωής (Λεμεσού)
- Γηριατρική Κλινική Ελευθερίας Ερημούδη Λτδ
- Εργοθεραπευτές «Λουϊζιάνα Κονσάλβες και Αγαθοκλής Θρασυβούλου)
- ELSA (The European Law Students' Association Cyprus)
- ELPEN (S.A. Pharmaceutical Industry)
- Εργαστήριο Εργοθεραπείας «Γιαννής και Σοφία Στυλιανού»
- Harris Kyriakides
- «ΙΑΣΩ» Ιδιωτική Γενική, Μαιευτική-Γυναικολογική και Παιδιατρική Κλινική
- Κέντρο ΑΜΕΑ Άγιος Λάζαρος, Λάρνακα
- Κέντρο Αποκατάστασης και Αποθεραπείας Φυσικοθεραπευτήριο «Άγιος Ιωάννης ο Λαμπαδιστής»
- Κέντρο «Αδωνίκη Ζανέττου Τάτσιου»
- Κέντρο Εργοθεραπείας για Παιδιά «Λουϊζας Κουσουλίδου»
- Κέντρο Εργοθεραπείας «Τόνιας Μαζαράκη»
- Melathron Agoniston EOKA
- Ο Ορίζοντας Κέντρο Πρόληψης και Θεραπείας
- Παγκύπριος Σύνδεσμος Νοσηλευτών και Μαιών
- Παγκύπριος Σύνδεσμος «Προστασίας Σπαστικών και Αναπήρων Παιδιών
- Πολυδύναμο Κέντρο Λόγου και Ευφυίας
- Σύνδεσμος για Άτομα με Αυτισμό
- Σύλλογος οι Φίλοι της Μουσικής
- Σύνδεσμος στήριξης παιδιών με ειδικές ανάγκες «Ηλιαχτίδα Ζωής», Λάρνακα
- Συνδεσμος Κοινωνιολόγων Κύπρου
- Τμήμα Επιθεώρησης Εργασίας της Δημοκρατίας

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6.5.13. Erasmus +



For the academic year 2017-2018, European University Cyprus was granted the amount of €306,741 to manage the Erasmus+ Program KA103 from the Cyprus National Agency (IDEP). The termination date of the project KA103 is 30 September, 2018.

Within the academic year, 39 students participated into the study mobility scheme of the Erasmus+ Program absorbing €131,261 choosing the following host universities:

	HOST COUNTRY	NO. OF STUDENTS
Alexander TEI Thessaloniki	Greece	3
Aristotle University of Thessaloniki	Greece	4
Democritus University of Thrace	Greece	1
European University of Madrid	Spain	1
International Business School	Hungary	4
Kazimierz Wielki University	Poland	1
Munich University of Applied Sciences	Germany	2
National & Kapodistrian University of Athens	Greece	7
Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences	Greece	3
Robert Gordon University	UK	1
Roskilde Universitet	Denmark	2
TEI of Athens	Greece	5
Tomas Bata University in Zlin	Czech Republic	3
University of Applied Sciences Leiden	The Netherlands	1
University of Patra	Greece	1
University of Rzeszow	Poland	1
Vorarlberg University of Applied Sciences	Austria	2
		TOTAL 39

In addition, €114,862 were spent for the funding of 38 students participants in the trainee ship mobility scheme of the Erasmus+ Program. Sixteen of those students were graduates. Participating students were enrolled in the following study areas:

- Business Administration
- Computer Science
- Electrical & Electronic Engineering
- Hotel, Tourism & Events Management
- Law
- MBA

- Music
- Occupational Safety & Health
- Physiotherapy
- Psychology
- Radiotherapy

The training periods were materialized in France, Czech Republic, Denmark, Germany, Greece, Poland, Portugal, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and the UK.

Within 2017-2018, twenty staff members, both faculty and administrative personnel, participated into the Erasmus+ Program schemes for Staff Mobility for Teaching and Staff Mobility for Training respectively. For the funding of both schemes \leq 12,526 and \leq 9,306 were spent respectively.

Please find below the mobility data on faculty personnel within the academic year 2017-2018:

	NAME	FACULTY	SUBJECT AREA	HOST INSTITUTION	HOST COUNTRY
1	Stasinopoulos Demetris	School of Sciences	Physiotherapy	TEI of Athens	Greece
2	Voniati Louiza	School of Sciences	Speech Therapy	TEI of Epirus	Greece
3	Papantoniou Margarita	School of Law	Law	Aristotle University of Thessaloniki	Greece
4	Argyropoulou Venetia	School of Law	Law	Aristotle University of Thessaloniki	Greece
5	Petkari Eleni	School of Humanities, Social and Education Sciences	Clinical Psychology	Eotvos Lorand University	Hungary
6	Stylianou Elena	School of Humanities, Social and Education Sciences	humanities	UCL-Institute of Education	UK
7	Christofi Giorgos	School of Humanities, Social and Education Sciences	Music	University of Hull	UK
8	Athanasiou Eleni	School of Humanities, Social and Education Sciences	Social Work	Windesheim University of Applied Sciences	Netherla nds
9	Miralis Yiannis	School of Humanities, Social and Education Sciences	Music	Birmingham Conservatory of Music	UK
10	Charalambous Mary	School of Business Administration	Sport Science	Aristotle University of Thessaloniki	Greece
11	Kythreotis Alexis	School of Business Administration	Financial Accounting	ATEI of Thessaloniki	Greece
12	Lazarou Cathrin	School of Business Administration	Management	UEM	Spain
13	Xeria Sofia	School of Sciences	Physiotherapy	ATEI of Thessaloniki	Greece

Please find below the mobility data on administrative personnel within the academic year 2017-2018:

	NAME	EUC DEPARTMENT	HOST INSTITUTION	HOST COUNTRY
1	Kasapis Constantinos	Information Systems & Operations	AES Audio Engineering Society	Italy
2	Antoniadou Ivi	School of Science	Oxford University	UK
3	Psychouli Pavlina	School of Science	University of Southampton	UK
4	Karekla Andria	Marketing Department		Spain
5	Kolatsi Christina	Distance Education Unit		Spain
6	Chatzipanagiotou Paraskevi	Distance Education Unit		ик
7	Koumpari Mary	Cyprus College - Aesthetics Department	Vilniaus Kolegija/University of Applied Sciences	Lithuania

European University Cyprus has signed new or renewed Inter-institutional agreements under the Erasmus+ Program with the following institutions within the academic year 2017-2018:

- Akademia Wychowania Fizycznego we Wrocławiu
- BTK University for Art & Design
- Conservatorio di Musica di Trento F. A. Bonporti-Music
- Eotvos Lorand University (ELTE)
- Democritus University of Thrace
- Instituto Politecnico do Porto Escola Superior de Saude
- International Business School (IBS)
- Roehampton University
- Technological Educational Institute of Peloponnese
- UCN University College of Northern Denmark
- UCN University College of Northern Denmark
- Universitat Degli Studi Di Roma Tor Vergata
- Universitatea de Arte "George Enescu" din lasi
- University of Maribor
- University of Peloponnese
- Vasil Levski National Military University
- Windesheim University of Applied Sciences
- Universite Paris 08
- University of Cologne
- Instituto Politecnico de Beja
- Birmingham Conservatoire
- Hellenic Air Force Academy
- National and Kapodistrian University of Athens
- University of Bergamo
- Birmingham Conservatoire
- Instituto Politecnico do Porto
- University of Suffolk
- National Academy of Art

- Theresan Military Academy
- Windesheim University of Applied Sciences
- Universidad Europea Miguel de Cervantes
- Medical College
- Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
- University of Malta
- University College London
- Universita Degli Studi Di Urbino Carlo Bo
- TEI of Crete
- Catholic University of Applied Sciences Freiburg
- Vilnius University
- Lithuanian University of Health Services
- College of Economics and Computer Studies, Krakow
- Alexander TEI of Thessaloniki
- Universidad de Castilla La Mancha
- University of Tartu
- PSB Paris School of Business
- University of Hull
- International Cosmetology College
- Vilnlaus Kolejlja University of Applied Sciences
- University of Kragujevac, Rebublic of Serbia
- Middlesex University
- University of Malta
- Universitat de Valencia
- Western Norway University of Applied Sciences
- Universitatea Babes-Boyai
- University of Silesia in Katowice
- University of Music and Performing Arts Graz

In 2016-2018, the EUC applied and received approval for funding in managing the Erasmus+ International Credit Mobility Program. The amount granted was €11,272 and concerned the mobility activities listed below. The project will run for 26 months starting on 01 June 2017 and finishing on 31 July 2019.

NameInLatin CharacterSet Project number	Activity Type	Country of Origin	Destination Country	Budget envelope	Approved number of participants	Student participants	Staff participants	Approved average days per participant for staff	Approved average months per participant for students	Total approved days	Total approved months	Distance Band approved	Travel grant per participant	Individual support per participant	Travel Grant approved	Individual Support approved	Organisational Support	TOTAL AMOUNT GRANTED	SCORE
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CYPRUS	STA	Cyprus	United States	PI NORTH AMERICA	1	0	1	10	0	10	0	8000 - 19999 km	1100	160	1100	1600	350	3050	78
2017-1-CY01-	SMS	Serbia	Cyprus	IPA WESTERN	1	1	0	0	6.03	0	6.03	500 - 1999km	275	800	275	4827	350	5452	62
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For the teaching mobility in Malaysia, Dr. Psichouli Pavlina (Lecturer, Occupational Therapy, Department of Health Sciences, School of Sciences) is expected to realize the activity during 2018. The budget for the Teaching Mobility activity for the USA was shared between Dr. Maria Christopoulou, (Assistant Professor, Leadership & Management In Education, Department of Health Sciences, School of Sciences) and Dr. Costas Constantopoulos, (Assistant Professor, Speech Language Pathology, Department of Health Sciences, School of Sciences). The incoming student mobility from Serbia is in cooperation with Novi Sad University. The budget for this mobility will be shared between two students of Novi Sad University, realizing a study mobility at EUC in different semesters.

During 2017-2018, ninety-three incoming students were accepted at EUC for an Erasmus+ Study Mobility period, as illustrated below.

COUNTRY	SENDING UNIVERSITY	STUDENTS			
Austria	FH Vorarlberg University of Applied Sciences	1			
	EPHEC University College	3			
	Haute Ecole EPHEC	3			
Belgium	Haute Ecole Libre Mosane	3			
	Karel de Grote University-College in Antwerp				
	UC Leuven-Limburg	3			
	Masaryk University-Masarykova Univerzita	1			
Czech Republic	Metropolitan University Prague	1			
	Tomas Bata University	1			
	Cphbusiness	2			
	Lillebaelt Academy of Professional Higher Education	2			
Danmark	UCN Business	1			
	University College Nordjylland	1			

COUNTRY	SENDING UNIVERSITY STU	DENTS
Estonia	Estonian Academy of Music & Theatre	1
Finland	Seinäjoki University of Applied Sciences	1
	ESCE International Business School	2
	Institute of Political Studies Sciences Po Rennes	3
France	INU Champollion	1
	Universite de Bretagne Sud	2
	Universite Toulouse Jean Jaures	2
	European University of Applied Sciences	2
	Schmalkalden University of Applied Sciences	1
Germany	Leipzig University	1
	Munich University of Applied Sciences	1
	Technische Universität Chemnitz	1
	Aristoteleio Panepistimio Thessalonikis	2
	Democritus University of Thrace	2
	National and Kapodistrian University of Athens	3
	Panteion University	2
Greece	TEI of Western Macedonia	1
	TEI of Peloponnese	1
	TEI of Epirus	4
	TEI of Sterea Ellada	3
	University of Crete	1
Hungary	IBS-Budapest	4
	Università degli studi "G.d'Annunzio" CHIETI-PESCARA	1
Italy	Università degli Studi di Torino	1
Latvia	BA School of Business and Finance	2
	LCC International University	1
Lithuania	Vilnius university	1
	Vytautas Magnus University	3
	Radboud University Nijmegen	2
Netherlands	University of Applied Sciences Leiden	1

COUNTRY	SENDING UNIVERSITY	TUDENTS
	Radboud University Nijmegen	2
Netherlands	University of Applied Sciences Leiden	1
	Akademia Wychowania Fizycznego we Wrocławiu	2
	The John Paul II Catholic University of Lublin	2
	University of Lodz	1
Poland	Uniwersytet SWPS	2
	Warsaw University of Life Sciences	1
	Rzeszow University of Technology	1
	Wyższa Szkola Bankowa w Gdańsku	
Romania	Universitatea Babes-Boyai	1
Slovakia	Comenius University in Bratislava	1
	University of Ljubljana	1
Slovenia	University of Maribor	1
Spain	Universitat Oberta de Catalunya	2
Switzerland	University of Applied Sciences and Arts Northwestern Switzerland	1
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The 1st International Mobility Erasmus+ Week was successfully organized during 23-27 April, 2018. During the week teachers and researchers from 12 European countries (Italy, France, Germany, United Kingdom, Estonia, Greece, Hungary, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, Poland, Slovakia) lectured on a very wide range of disciplines (Medicine, Law, Computer Sciences, Business Administration, Social Sciences and Humanities) to EUC students, presented papers and participated in workshops and other social events. During the week, participants had the opportunity to network in a very friendly environment with teachers and researchers of the European University Cyprus and to explore the history, culture, traditions and customs of Cyprus.





7.1. School of Humanities, Social and Education Sciences

7.1.1. Message from the Dean of the School of Humanities, Social and Education Sciences, Prof. Loizos Symeou

Our School, the School of Humanities, Social and Education Sciences, was newly established at the beginning of the academic year 2017-2018 after the merging of two former Schools of the University; the School of Arts and Education Sciences and the School of Humanities and Social Sciences. The newly founded School is considered leading and innovative in the areas of Education, Teaching and Pedagogy, Arts, Design, Music, Humanities, Psychology, and the broader Social Sciences in Cyprus and beyond. It is known for its high-quality education and academic environment, its innovative research, and its influential interventions in the local Cypriot society.

In 2018, the European Commission's U-Multirank evaluation and ranking of Universities system (the world's largest independent university ranking mechanism, including more than 1,600 universities from 95 countries) classified European University Cyprus as top performing in the fields of research in the Art category (in the top 50), making the Department of Arts a leading academic department in the pertinent field for the third consecutive year.

In the academic year 2017-18, the School took another step towards innovation by promoting alternative teaching methods in coordinating the implementation of the University's Blended Courses Project. Additionally, its postgraduate programs of study offered via distance education attained a high level of popularity with the number of registered students, reaching and gradually surpassing the 60% of the total number of Distance Education students in the entire University. The undergraduate programs of 'Early Childhood Education', 'Music', 'Psychology' and 'Graphic Design' remain, for yet another year, the top choice of students studying in these fields at the private Universities in Cyprus. Notably, the postgraduate program MA in Education Sciences: Special (Inclusive) Education was once againthe School's most attractive program of studies.

In our continuous strive for academic excellence and our effort to lead the way in programs offered in the Greek speaking and international academic community, we have designed and currently offer pioneering new programs, including the MA in Greek Studies and the M.Sc. in Digital Media. The scope of the scientific expertise and experience of the academic staff of our School ensures that our School's undergraduate, postgraduate, and doctoral students benefit from a highly stimulating educational and learning environment, in addition to the wide and diverse range of experience in different scientific areas. The School also successfully runs KEPSYPA, the center established and supervised by faculty teaching in our School's Psychology programs to offer psychological services to all members of the European University Cyprus community (both students and staff). Additionally, a further number of activities and interventions were organized by the School's research laboratories: the Cultural Studies and Contemporary Arts (CSCA) Laboratory, the Inquiry in Science and Math Education Research Group, and the Early Childhood Education Lab.

The School's avid presence amply reached the local community. Some of the most noteworthy actions during the academic year 2017-18 include:

- The organisation, for the fourth consecutive year, of the Cultural Month. The 2017 Cultural Month was dedicated to the work and life of the internationally known Greek composer Mikis Theodorakis and included, among others, concerts, talks, art exhibitions and documentary screenings. It is worth noting that the concerts included the premiere of Theodoraki's work "Ως Αρχαίος Ἀνεμος" in Cyprus.
- The publication, for another year, of Cadences: A Journal of Literature and the Arts in Cyprus, one of the most successful publications of its kind in Cyprus.
- The International Musicological Conference "Modus-Modi-Modality" in collaboration with the biggest musicological society internationally.
- Special reference must also be made to the fourth edition of the Cyprus Jazz Workshop established by the Department of Arts in collaboration with the USA Embassy in Cyprus and Jazz Education Abroad (JEA) taking place every July.
- The first comics Festival, Eyekon Comic Con attracting internationally acclaimed artists.
- In 2017-18, the Department of Education Sciences organised yet another successful two cycle-series of seminars on «Education, Culture and Society», as did the Department of Arts with its «Art Lecture Series».

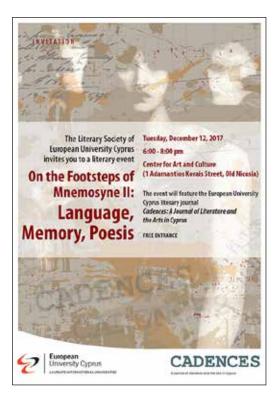
- The Psychology program (faculty and post-graduate students) has offered throughout the academic year to children and teenagers in both public and private schools experiential workshops in areas like "Anger management", "Stress management", "Bullying", and "Friendship" which after the first round of workshops, saw their demand rising dramatically.
- Research teams of the School also participated with pioneering research activities at the Researcher's Night 2017, with great success. In addition, the School organized a series of colloquia for the University's doctoral students.

During this academic year, the academic and research staff of the School have authored many new publications in peer-reviewed scientific journals, presented their work in international exhibitions and concerts, and significantly increased their participation in internationally-funded research programs. It is also noteworthy, as far as research is concerned, that Psychology faculty members have collaborated with the Ministry of Education and Culture, to measure for the first time and on a national basis the percentage of School Violence in Cyprus. The results will help design the 'National Strategy against School Violence', approved by the Cabinet of Ministers.

With the valuable input of our School's scientific collaborators and special scientists, the state-of-the-art instructional and research facilities, the extensive use of technologies of learning and communication, the Library infrastructure offered by our University, our students are supported to the maximum degree to achieve the highest academic and professional standards. The quality education and the all-rounded experience our students gain within our School prepare them for their future roles as professionals: artists, educators, psychologists, linguists, social workers, and researchers in their fields. The long-term and strong connection our students maintain with us even after they graduate is telling of how much they value their experience at our School.

All the aforementioned actions of our faculty staff, and students strongly manifest the School's continuous efforts and outstanding output in all its scientific fields, both within the university, the local community, and internationally.





7.1.2. Events

7.1.2.1. Department of Education Sciences

■ Event: The use of comics in migrant/refugee education

Organization: Department of Education Sciences, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and Education Sciences

Coordinator: Dr. Constadina Charalambous

Organizing committee: Dr. Constadina Charalambous, Dr. Katerina Mavrou, Dr. Eleni Theodorou, Dr. Spyros Spyrou, Dr. Tasos Anastasiades

Speakers: Dr. Lida Tsene, Dr. Constadina Charalambous, Ms. Panayiota Anastasi, Dr. Katerina Theodoridou, Mr. Melandros

Ganas, Mrs. Emilia Strovolodidou, Dr. Despo Kyprianou

Place: EUC Amphitheatre Beta

Date: 5 May 2018

The colloquium involved a presentation of the BONDS project (Erasmus +), which aims to create an educational model for the use of comics in migrant/refugee education. It also involved round table discussions with stake-holders and comics workshops with teachers, and refugees children from Kofinou.

Lecture: Interdisciplinary Lectures' Series: Education, Society and Culture, Spring 2018

Lecture: Parental Involvement: International Experience and Cypriot reality

Organization: Department of Education Sciences, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and Education Sciences

Coordinators: Dr Katerina Mavrou & Dr Constantina Charalambous

Speaker: Maria Savva, doctoral students, Department of Education Sciences, European University Cyprus

Place: Room 208, EUC Date: 14 March 2018

During the Interdisciplinary Lectures' Series: Education, Society and Culture, of the Spring Semester 2018, with the general theme on Education with the parents and for the parents: part II, the first lecture provided an overview on parental involvement both in the Cypriot context and internationally.

Lecture: Society, Disability, Education. One fist (!)?

Organization: Department of Education Sciences, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and Education Sciences Coordinators: Dr. Katerina Mavrou & Dr. Constantina Charalambous

Speaker: Yioula Pitsiali, President of the Pancyprian organization of parents and friends of children with brain paralysis and other disabilities. Activist

Place: Room 105, EUC Date: 19 April 2018

In the second lecture of the interdisciplinary series Education, Society and Culture, Yioula Pitsiali described her personal trajectory as a mother of a child with brain paralysis in combating the obstacles in the educational system and society and fighting for inclusion.

Lecture: Development of speech and communication for children with ASD: Music intervention and parental contribution
 Organization: Department of Education Sciences, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and Education Sciences
 Coordinators: Dr. Katerina Mavrou & Dr. Constantina Charalambous

Speaker: Prof. Georgia Andreou, Professor of Linguistics, University of Thessaly & Dr Potheini Vaiouli, European University Cyprus

Place: Room 105, EUC Date: 26 April 208

The third lecture of the Interdisciplinary Lectures' Series: Education, Society and Culture, focused on the role of music intervention in ASD children's development of speech and communication.

Lecture: Sound foundation: early communication intervention

Organization: Department of Education Sciences, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and Education Sciences

Coordinators: Dr. Katerina Mavrou & Dr. Constantina Charalambous

Speaker: Dr. Chrysoula Thodi, Department of Speech Therapy, European University Cyprus

Place: Room 105, EUC Date: 10 May 208

The final lecture of the series Education, Society and Culture focused on early communication and intervention in children with hearing problems. Early identification and intervention allows children with hearing loss access to sound, ensuring timely language and speech development. Contemporary recommended clinical practices guide parents to initiate and enjoy listening and interaction opportunities, and to provide a rich communication environment for the baby's optimal language and speech development.

■ Event: Augmentative and Alternative Communication Days

Organization: Department of Education Sciences, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and Education Sciences (in collaboration with the Occupational Therapy and the Department of Speech and Language Therapy)

Coordinator: Dr. Katerina Mavrou

Speakers: Dr. Louiza Voniati, Lecturer European University Cyprus, Dr. Katerina Mavrou, Assistant Professor, European University Cyprus, Mr. Gregoris Panayiotou, disability activist, Cyprus

Place: EUC Cultural Center Date: 7-8 December 2017

On the 7-8 of December 2017, the Department of Education Sciences of European University Cyprus organized the Augmentative and Alternative Communication Days (AAC): 'It's a different world not being able to talk but we don't talk about it...', at the EUC Cultural Center. Specifically, on 7 December 2017, at 19.30-21.00, three speakers presented issues on the development and use of AAC with examples and experiences from people using AAC. On 8 December 2017, at 09.00-12.00, interactive activities for school children of all ages were designed, organised and implemented by the EUC students of the MA in Special/Inclusive Education and volunteer students from the OT and SLT Departments.

Lecture: Interdisciplinary Lectures' Series: Education, Society and Culture, "Family Centred interventions on speech and language issues

Organization: Department of Education Sciences, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and Education Sciences

Coordinators: Dr. Katerina Mavrou & Dr. Constantina Charalambous

Speaker: Maria Paphiti, Speech and Language Pathologist

Place: Room 208, EUC Date: 10 October 2017

During the Interdisciplinary Lectures' Series: Education, Society and Culture, of the Fall Semester 2017, with the general theme on Education with the parents and for the parents, the first lecture took place on 10 October 2017. Ms Maria Paphiti, PhD Candidate of the University to Turku, CCC-SLP, ECSF Registered SLT, of the European Clinic with Specialization on stutering, analysed Family Centred interventions on speech and language issues, by presenting the theoretical background of such approaches and examples of good practices.

Lecture: Interdisciplinary Lectures' Series: Education, Society and Culture, «School and Family: Everyday reality and policy in Cyprus

Organization: Department of Education Sciences, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and Education Sciences

Coordinators: Dr. Katerina Mavrou & Dr. Constantina Charalambous

Speaker: Dr. Loizos Symeou, Associate Professor, Dean of the School of School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and Edu-

cation Sciences

Place: Room 208, EUC Date: 8 November 2017

During the Interdisciplinary Lectures' Series: Education, Society and Culture, of the Fall Semester 2017, with the general theme on Education with the parents and for the parents, the first lecture took place on 8 November 2017. Dr. Loizos Symeou, analysed issues of school and family relationships, by discussing the theoretical background through literature as well as the policy and practice in Cyprus and the various considerations raised from national research.

■ Lecture: Interdisciplinary Lectures' Series: Education, Society and Culture, «Parent Education in Autism in South East Europe: the ESIPP project

Organization: Department of Education Sciences, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and Education Sciences

Coordinators: Dr. Katerina Mavrou & Dr. Constantina Charalambous

Speaker: David Preece, PhD, Associate Professor, University of Northampton, UK

Place: Room 208, EUC Date: 29 November 2017

During the Interdisciplinary Lectures' Series: Education, Society and Culture, of the Fall Semester 2017, with the general theme on Education with the parents and for the parents, the first lecture took place on 29 November 2017. Dr David Preece presented issues on the education of parents of children in the autism spectrum through the work of the ESIPP project, in which EUC is a consortium partner.

■ Third Biodiversity Workshop - "Biological Phenomena: From the Microcosm to the Macrocosm

Venue: Cultural Center Date: 11 May 2018

The Inquiry in Science and Math Education Research Group in corporation with third-year students of the Biological Sciences program, organized the 3rd Biodiversity workshop entitled "Biological Phenomena: From the Microcosm to the Macrocosm" on 11 May 2018 at European University Cyprus.

The 150 participating primary students (10-12 years old) had the opportunity to engage (for 3 hours) in a series of authentic, scientific activities from the magical world of biology under the guidance of the third-year students of the Biological Sciences program. Primary students used original biological laboratory equipment to study biological phenomena, to explore the microcosm of biological systems, to understand processes of biological phenomena and to reproduce macroscopic biological phenomena through playful and constructive activities. The Medical School of European University Cyprus also attended the event.

The workshop was part of the events of the Environmental Committee of European University Cyprus.

Sensory Integration. How it affects the development of learning. Practical Implications in the school Settings

Organization: Departments of Education, Special Needs Teacher Association

Coordinator: Ms. Anastasia Hadjiyiannakou

Speaker: Ms. Kristia Christou Venue: Cultural Center Date: 25 November 2018

This was a very successful three-hour seminar. Approximately 250 participants attended from various sectors such as Special Needs Teachers, Speech Therapists, Occupational Therapists, parents of children with disabilities and students from the Education Department, the Speech Therapy Department, and the Occupational Therapy Department of European University Cyprus.

■ The Living Book - Augmenting reading for life

Organization: European University Cyprus and Makedonitissa C' Primary School

Coordinator: Ms. Maria Meletiou Mavrotheris

Venue: Amphitheater Delta of European University Cyprus

Date: 24 March 2018

The Seminar focused on ways of exploiting innovative technologies in order to strengthen young students' motivation for reading. It is a multiplier event of the EU-funded Erasmus+/KA2 project The Living Book, which aims to address the under-achievement of European students aged 9-15 in reading skills through developing a novel didactical approach that combines offline activities promoting reading literacy with online experiences of "virtual augmentation" of a book and with social dynamics.

With a combination of Open Educational Resources (OER) and involvement in professional learning activities and pilot experimentation, Living Book contributed towards strengthening the profile and competences of European teachers for upper primary and lower secondary schools (ages 9-15) in adopting standards-based practices and dealing with diversified groups of learners, and particularly with pupils from disadvantaged backgrounds. The project activities involved the development and pilot-testing of a training course for teachers on how to involve parents, and particularly those from disadvantaged and/or migrant backgrounds, in pro-reading activities to back the overall strategy at home. A Living Library supported the project activities by offering students, parents, and teachers with online tools to augment the reading experience with rich media content. A series of OER toolkits (downloadable guides, videos, and links to tools) integrated in this multilingual platform, and were used by students and teachers to curate and create content. The developed content added to the Living Library, thus bringing books on the platform to life. The Living Library also hosted a social community of "augmented teachers" and "augmented readers" across Europe.

7.1.2.2. Department of Arts

7th International Musicological Conference Modus-Modi-Modality

Organized by: Department of Arts, European University Cyprus and the Regional Association for the Study of Music of the Balkans of the International Musicological Society (IMS)

Conference Coordinator: Dr Georgia Petroudi

Speakers: Prof. Tilman Seebass, Prof. Ralf Martin Jaeger, Prof. Dinko Fabris, Avra Pieridou Skoutella

Venue: Cultural Center, European University Cyprus

Date: 6-10 September 2017

Description: The purpose of the International Musicological Conference was to promote interaction, research, discussion and intercultural dialogue among musicologists from Cyprus, Greece, the Balkans and other countries with an interest in the diverse thematic axes of the conference, emphasising concepts and parameters such as tradition, identity, diversity, new trends, musical cultures as perceived through a geographical and chronological spectrum ranging from ancient Greek music, to Byzantine music and the musical avant-garde in the Mediterranean, Balkans and broader region. The conference hosted 120 speakers from approximately 18 countries (Greece, Romania, Bulgaria, Serbia, Croatia, Ukraine, Austria, USA, France, Italy, Spain and others), and was comprised of four keynote lectures, concerts, and the first inaugural meeting of the newly established Study Group of the International Musicological Society on "Mediterranean Music Studies."

Urban Emptiness Festival Nicosia

Organization: Laboratory of Cultural Studies and Contemporary Art of the European University Cyprus in collaboration with the international network of artists 'Urban Emptiness and the Dance Gate' of Nicosia, with the support of the Nicosia Municipality.

Coordinator: Dr. Sophia Hadjipapa-Gee

The Urban Emptiness International Festival of Nicosia in December 2017 (1-16 December 2017) was organized by the Cultural Studies and Contemporary Arts Laboratory of the European University Cyprus.

The Festival – a 10-day multidisciplinary art workshop – explored the relationship between walking as a form of art and new media in digital and natural spaces, through workshops, performances and presentations.

Artists from the USA, Puerto Rico, Japan, Mexico, Belgium, United Kingdom, Holland, Spain, Italy, Switzerland, Germany, Greece and, of course, Cyprus, took part in the Festival.

Dr. Sophia Hadjipapa-Gee coordinated the project on behalf of our University's Laboratory in collaboration with the Belgian curator Geert Vermeire.

The festival was organized for the first time in Cyprus, while similar events in the past have taken place in Brussels, Edinburgh, Athens and New York.

The visual arts on the audiovisual part of the project were presented at an exhibition at the Dance Roof in Nicosia at the opening of which a round-table discussion was organized by the distinguished artists and academics Fereshteh Toosi (Florida International University, USA), Frans Van Lent / researcher Gerrit Rietveld Academy Amsterdam) (Netherlands), Deirdre MacLeod (artist, Edinburgh College of Arts, United Kingdom) and William Mackaness (researcher geographer, University of Edinburgh, UK) (Marie Christine Katz (artist, New York) USA) and Horst Weierstall (Artist) (Cyprus).

Participating Artists: Marie Christine Katz (US), Marielys Burgos Meléndez (Puerto Rico), Benoît Bilotte (CH), Milka Panayotova (IT), leke Trinks (NL), Oriana Hadad (UK), Frans van Lent (NL), Stefaan van Biesen (B), Geert Vermeire (B), Aliki Arnaouti (GR), Brett Cowan (Australia), Alexandra Pambouka (CY), Marianna Makri (GR), Nefeli Stamatogiannopoulou (GR), Panagiotis Lezes (GR), Panayiota Koushiappa (CY), Sophia Hadjipapa-Gee (CY), Urban Emptiness Network (Christos Kakalis, Stella Mygdali), Maya Dalinsky (B/US) & Elli Vassalou (B/GR), Unfinished Business (CH), Deirdre MacLeod & William Mackaness (UK), Veronica Cordova De La Rosa (Mexico/UK), BIONICA! (Catalonia), Stefan Klein (D) & Panayiota Koushiappa (CY), Arianna Economou (CY), Fereshteh Toosi (US), Jerry Gordon & Gareth Jones (Japan).

Japanese bookbinding workshop

Organization: Laboratory of Cultural Studies and Contemporary Art of the European University Cyprus in collaboration with the international network of artists 'Urban Emptiness and the Dance Gate' of Nicosia, with the support of the Nicosia Municipality.

Coordinator: Dr. Sophia Hadjipapa-Gee

Date: 1-16 December 2017

In the framework of Art Lecture Series, the Cultural Studies and Contemporary Arts Laboratory of European University Cyprus organized on 15 December 2018, an introductory workshop on Japanese bookbinding, led by Marina Yerali. The aim of the workshop was to acquaint and familiarize participants with the process of making a book and materials, as well as learning a basic and a well-known Japanese bookbinding technique, which has a wide range of applications. In addition to getting acquainted with the main Japanese bookbinding principles, participants had the chance to make their own handmade books. The workshop took place in the Graphic Design Studios of EUC. Marina Yerali has studied Book Arts (BA Hons) at the London College of Communication with specialization on the craft tradition of book arts (bookbinding) and holds an MA in Book Arts with specific focus on artists' books from the University of Arts in London.

■ The EYEKON COMIC CON and its magic of 9th Art at the European University Cyprus

The comic world came to life at European University Cyprus on 27-28 May 2018. The Department of Arts at European University Cyprus in cooperation with the Eyekon Comic Con team organized an event that revolved around the art of comics. Eyekon Comic Con was a multi-layered and multi-level event for comic book lovers, graphic designers, illustrators, animators, visual communication and multimedia students, teachers and students, parents and children.

The convention involved the exhibition of comic books, short animated movies, board and video games, screenings, tournaments, seminars and panel talks. The event brought together some amazing artists that showcased some truly inspiring work in all types of forms and comic book creators from abroad.

At Eyekon Comic Con, the visitors had the chance to meet 60 internationally and locally recognized comic book creators and illustrators. The festival included panels, scripts and illustration workshops, masterclasses, movie screenings, animation, comic book bazaar, and other comic-related items.

Art Lecture Series

Organization: Department of Arts, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and Education Sciences.

Coordinator: Yianna Christophorou

Speakers: Dr. Stamatina Theochari and Dr. Vasiliki Belesi

Place: T13 EUC Date: 24 April 2018

The presentations were part of the Art Lecture Series that each year the Graphic Design Program organises. Dr. Stamatina Theochari and Dr. Vasiliki Belesi teach at the Graphic Design Technology Program in TEI Athens. The topics covered were Inks and Special effects for Packaging and Smart Packaging and Technology.

Event: Annual Graphic Design Exhibition

Organization: Department of Arts, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and Education Sciences.

Coordinator: All Full-Time faculty members of Graphic Design Program

Venue: Graphic Design Premises

Date: 15-17 May 2018

At the exhibition, the best work produced by the Graphic Design students during the academic year 2017-18 was show-cased.

7.1.2.3. Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences

Day conference for mental health, the prevention of mental disorders and stigma

Organisation: Department of social and behavioural sciences (M.Sc. Clinical/Counselling Psychology and K.E. ΨΥ.Π.Α)

Coordinators: Dr. Eleni Petkari and Dr. Panagiotis Parpottas

Speakers: Dr. Eleni Petkari and Dr. Panagiotis Parpottas, and M.Sc. clinical/counselling psychology students: Ms. Eleftheria Tsavou, Ms. Andreanthi Doa, Ms. Maria Giannoukkou, Mr. Vasilis Christodoulides, Mr. Dimitris Paliaros and Mr. Tsampikos Georgallis – European University Cyprus

Venue: AUA, European University Cyprus

Date: 12 October 2017

The Department of social and behavioural sciences, M.Sc. Clinical/Counselling Psychology and K.E. \(\Psi\). \(\Pi\). \(\Pi\). \(\Pi\). A of European University Cyprus, organised a day conference dedicated to the World Mental Health Day, on 12 October 2017 under the title «All-day conference for mental health, the prevention of mental disorders and stigma». The all-day conference had a four-hour duration, where issues concerning mental health, social stigma and K.E. \(\PY\). \(\Pi\). \(\PY\). \(\Pi\). A's Services were presented. After the oral presentations, the participants had the chance to join in experiential self-development groups in K.E. \(\PY\). \(\Pi\). \(\PY\). \(\Pi\).

Event: Let's Talk About Sex

Organization: Department of Social and Behavioral Sciences, School of Humanities and Social Sciences, and Education Sciences

Coordinator: Petra Daniel

Trainers: Ms. Patricia Phaedonos and Ms. Georgia Charalambous, Qualified Sex Education Trainers from the Cyprus Family Planning Association (CFPA)

Venue: EUC Room 011 Date: 19-26 October 2017

The annual workshop event "Let's Talk about Sex" took place on 19 October 2017, 15:00-18:00h in English, and on 26 October 2017, 15:00-18:00h in Greek. The topic was sexual rights and healthy relationships. After a brief introduction to the mission and activities of the CFPA, discussion between participants was instigated by the two-minute educational video "Sexual Rights are Human Rights" of the International Planned Parenthood Federation. There was a lively discussion on the

issues raised in the film and a summary on sexual rights. Then, the participant split into small work groups and received scenarios in which sexual rights had been violated. Each group acted out their scenario and then discussed it with the plenum. After a short coffee break, new work-groups were formed, and statements about relationships were grouped as to their representing healthy or unhealthy relationship patterns. Anotherplenary discussion followed before the workshop was adjourned.

■ Event: School Bullying: An Insidious Form of Violence

The Department of Social Sciences and Behavioral Sciences, the "Child and Adolescent Psychology Group" and the Pedagogical Society of Cyprus organized on 31 March 2018, a One-Day Conference titled "School Bullying: An Insidious Form of Violence".

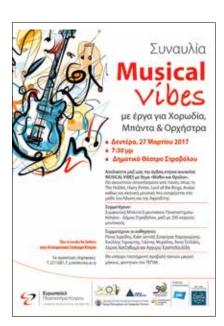
The Conference greeted Dr. Eleonora Papaleontiou-Louca, Vice-President of the Department and coordinator of the "Child and Adolescent Psychology Group" and Dr. Stelios Orfanos, Secretary of the Pedagogical Society of Cyprus.

The guest talks and workshops included the following topics:

- "Intimidating Behavior in the School Area: Recognition and Alternative Management Approaches" (Christos Charitou, Doctoral Candidate, Observatory Officer for School Violence, Ministry of Education and Culture)
- "Let's Talk Again for Cyber-Bullying" (Andreas Andreou, Vice President of Cyber-Ethics and Complaint Line Coordinator Cyber-Ethics, Institute of Neuroscience and Technology of Cyprus
- "Strengthening Students Against School Intimidation" (Dr. Andri Souroula, Direct Intervention Team Officer, Ministry of Education and Culture)
- "Stop Being a Simple Spectator: Act Now" (Eleni Eleftheriou and Christos Charitou, PhD Candidate, Observatory Officers for Violence at School)
- "Is there a degree of privacy in Social Media?" (Adreas Andreou, Vice President of Cyber-Ethics and Complaint Line Coordinator, Cyber-Ethics, Institute of Neuroscience and Technology of Cyprus (CNTI)
- "I say No to Intimidation: I Recognize, Strengthen, Act" (Marina Mihailidou and Dr. Andrie Souroula, Immediate Intervention Team)







7.1.2.4. Department of Humanities

Cadences Literary Event: In the Footsteps of Mnemosyne: Language, Memory, Poesis

Organization: Literary Society, European University Cyprus

Coordinator: Stavros Stavrou Karayanni, Managing Editor of Cadences

Venue: Center for Art and Culture

Date: 12 December 2017

The event opened with a welcome greeting Dr. Stavros Karayanni, Managing Editor of Cadences: A Journal of Literature and the Arts in Cyprus. The first part of the event was entitled "Cypriot Poets & Writers on Remembering" and it featured the following local poets: Yiorgos Christodoulides, Costantia Soteriou, Gürgenç Korkmazel, Nora Nadjarian, Tuğçe Tehkanlı, Neşe Yaşın, Marilena Zackheos, Stephanos Stephanides and the famous Israeli poet, Amir Or. The second part of this event paid tribute to Yiorgos Philippou Pierides, the Cypriot writer of the diaspora. Stockton University students Kimberly Santana and Megan Coates performed Pierides's stories "The Letter," and "The Journal" respectively. The evening concluded with readings by Naijasia Thomas (exchange student from Stockton University), Hanan Delbani and Lisa Alexeeva (English Language and Literature EUC students) and Claire Ribiere (Erasmus student).

Conference organization: Court interpreting and legal translation in Cyprus

On 1 November 2017, the Directorate-General for Translation (DGT) of the European Commission in co-operation with European University Cyprus (School of Law and, School of Humanities, Social and Education Sciences) and the Cultural Academy "Kypropaideia" organized a #Translating Europe Workshop titled "Court Interpreting and Legal Translation in Cyprus". The workshop focused on the state of play with regard to the provision of translation services during trial proceedings in criminal cases but also during the interpretation process for police interrogations in Cyprus, in particular with regard to the implementation of Directive 2010/64/EU (the Directive was transposed into Cypriot national law in 2014) and Directive 201213/EE (the Directive was transposed into Cypriot national law in 2014). Furthermore, the conference examined other related issues, such as e.g. the provision of interpretation and translation services during the asylum application process and the field of legal translation in Cyprus. The workshop was attended by representatives of the Republic of Cyprus, university professors and students of linguistics and law, legal professionals, judges, public service officials, professional translators and interpreters, relevant NGOs, etc.

Experiences of Teaching English in China

Coordinator: Dimitra Karoulla Vrikki Date: Thursday, 10 May 2018, 13:00-14:00 Venue: Room 101, European University Cyprus

Mobility opportunities vary and are out there for us to take advantage and develop our personal and professional competences. The importance of mobility lies in the fact that it can boost our skills and employability chances as well as support the modernisation of education, training and youth systems. Teaching English in China has been an extraordinary experience. It had its positive and negative aspects. This presentation offered an overview of the mobility possibilities that exist in the world in teaching English and focused on the speaker's experience of teaching English in China. The attitudes of both the students and parents towards English was also be presented.

Cultural Month 2017, dedicated to Mikis Theodorakis

Organisation: School of Humanities, Social and Education Sciences (in collaboration with the Rector's office)

Coordinators: Dr. Charis Xinari, Dr. Georgia Petroudi and Mrs. Maria Christodoulou

Dates: 2-26 October 2017



7.2. School of Business Administration

7.2.1. Message from the Dean of the School of Business Administration, Prof. George Boustras

The School of Business Administration "loannis Gregoriou" is the oldest of the University, a precursor of the former college and the main pillar of university studies in 2007. The academic year 2017-18 found the school in a process of stabilization and modernization. In particular:

The school has launched up two new programs: MSc in Shipping and Maritime Studies and BSc in Aviation Management. Both of these programs are in line with the modernization process of the School and it is anticipated that they will have a significant contribution in the years to come.

The School continued its alignment with the major entrepreneurial movements globally. In November, we hosted the Global Entrepreneurship Week (Disrupt Cyprus). The Global Entrepreneurship Week 2017 hosted influential speakers, accomplished entrepreneurs, investors and key stakeholders. Our School continued its participation in the official EU event on start-ups, the Worldwide Startup Europe Universities Network (SEUN) event.

Significant events of the year include: the Energy Critical Infrastructure Protection Symposium (ECIP) - Challenges of Energy Critical Infrastructure Protection: Current situation and future research work, which was organized during the European Defense Agency ECIP workshop that as hosted by the Center for Risk and Decision Sciences (CERIDES) of EUC. The Minister of Defence, Mr. Christoforos Fokaides, and the Rector of EUC Prof. Kostas Gouliamos addressed the audience. The Workshop was moderated by Dr. George Boustras, Director of the Center of Excellence in Risk and Decision Science (CERIDES) of European University Cyprus.

The Job Forum for the students of the BA in Event, Tourism and Hotel Management was organized again this year with a number of important stakeholders (Kanika Group of Hotels, Atlantica Aeneas Resort & Spa, member of Atlantica group of Hotels, Grand Resort Limassol, Four Seasons, Saint George Hotel, Pavlo Napa Beach Hotel, Nestor Hotel, Laura Beach Hotel, Tofinis Hotel, Napa Mermaid Hotel & Suites, Yianna Marie Group of Tourists Companies, Nissiana Hotel, New Famagusta Hotel, Evalena Hotel, Bella Napa Hotel, Top Kinisis Travel, Cyprus Tourism Organization).





7.2.2. Events

7.2.2.1. Department of Management and Marketing

■ Guest Lecture: "Implementation of strategic plan to implement quality standards"

Organisation: School of Business Administration/ Department of Management and Marketing (MBA)

Coordinator: Prof. Athanasios Hadjimanolis

Guest Lecturer: Mr. Savvas Eliophotou, Managing Director, Eliophotou & Zinieris Meltec

Venue: Room 204

Date: 23 November 2017

■ Guest Lecture: 'New Product Development: The case of Woody Creations'

Organisation: School of Business Administration/ Department of Management and Marketing (MBA)

Coordinator: Dr. Myria Ioannou

Guest Lecturer: Mr. Socrates Constantinou, General Manager, Woody Creations

Venue: Room 204 Date: 19 April 2018

Energy Critical Infrastructure Protection Symposium (ECIP) - Challenges of Energy Critical Infrastructure Protection:
 Current situation and future research work

The Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Cyprus and European University Cyprus, co-organized on 26 January 2017, the "Energy Critical Infrastructure Protection Symposium (ECIP) - Challenges of Energy Critical Infrastructure Protection: Current situation and future research work". The Symposium was held at the university's premises and was conducted on the sidelines of the 3rd meeting of the Protection of Critical Energy Infrastructure Experts Group of the European Defence Agency (EDA).

The ECIP Symposium aimed to present:

- the Critical Infrastructure (CI) operator's view on the Critical Infrastructure Protection,
- the challenges pertaining to the protection of the CI with a focus on Energy related ones and,
- an overview of the research work that has been done so far in order to identify the capability gaps and way ahead with the aim to ensure Cl's resilience

The Minister of Defence, Mr. Christoforos Fokaides, and the Rector of EUC Prof. Kostas Gouliamos addressed the audience. The Workshop was moderated by Dr. George Boustras, Director of the Center of Excellence in Risk and Decision Science (CERIDES) of European University Cyprus.

Distinguished speakers of the Symposium included:

- Mr. George Papanastasiou, Managing Director VTT Vasiliko.
- Mr. Michalis Papamicael, Security Manager, NOBLE ENERGY, Cyprus
- Dr. Jaroslav Hajek Subject Matter Expert, NATO Energy Security Center of Excellence.
- Dr. Georgios Leventakis- Senior Advisor, Center for Security Studies, Hellenic Ministry of Interior.
- Dr. Naouma Kourti, Join Research Center, European Commission.
- Dr. Athanasios Sfetsos, ERL, Institute of Nuclear & Radiological Sciences & Technology, Energy & Safety, National Center for Scientific Research "Demokritos", Greece
- Mr. Adam Slolyak- DG Energy, European Commission

The Symposium was open to the Academic Community and the public.

Workshop on Critical Infrastructure Protection and Climate Change, Cyprus, March 2017

Organization: Center for Risk and Decision Science (CERIDES)

Coordinator: Prof. George Boustras

On 7-8 March 2017, EU-CIRCLE held a workshop on the topic of Critical Infrastructure Protection and Climate Change in Cyprus. The workshop was organised by European University Cyprus, and co-organised with the Cyprus Civil Defence (Cyprus's national contact point for EU CI), with the participation of the Joint Research Center and local Critical Infrastructure Operators from the energy, ICT, water and public sectors. In total, 50 stakeholders participated in the workshop, which included presentations on the potential impacts of hydro-meteorological hazards on CI, the changing climate in Cyprus and future climate change predictions, as well as the EU-CIRCLE risk assessment and resilience frameworks. The second day of the workshop included a table-top exercise, where participants engaged in discussions on the predicted impacts of climate-change-exacerbated forest fires, on climate change risk assessment and on potential response options in interconnected national infrastructures.

■ Entrepreneurship Academy and Business Competition for PhD STEM students

Organizer: School of Business Administration

Coordinators: Dr. Elmos Konis, Dr. Despina Marouchou and Dr. Simona Mihai

Venue: Cultural Center
Date: 11-14 September 2017

Dr. Elmos Konis, Dr. Despina Marouchou and Dr. Simona Mihai organised and hosted the Entrepreneurship Academy and Business Competition for PhD STEM students. Students came from seven European countries with a chance to present their STEM business idea. This was held as part of the funded project "SCIENT: A European University-Business Alliance aiming to foster young Scientists' Entrepreneurial spirit".

■ Disrupt: Where Ideas Meet - Global Entrepreneurship Week 2017 in Cyprus

Organizer: School of Business Administration

Coordinator: Prof. George Boustras

Venue: Cultural Center Date: 8 November 2017

The Global Entrepreneurship Week 2017 hosted influential speakers, accomplished entrepreneurs, investors and key stake-holders. They presented success stories, best entrepreneurial practices and funding tools with an aim to empower aspiring entrepreneurs to ignite their startup dreams.

Guest Speakers:

- George VARDAXOGLOU, Strategic Partnership Manager at "Innoetics", the Greek, text-to-speech technology spin-off that landed a multimillion acquisition deal, earlier this year, with Korean giant "Samsung".
- Costas MANTZIARIS and George VARELOGLOU founders of "Mindworks" the Greek digital marketing agency that shot to international prominence in 2015 when it was acquired by Dentsu Aegis Network". Since then it has been renamed "isobar & iProspect Greece".
- Ion TSAKONAS, the C.E.O. of PJ Tech Catalyst Fund and the Head of Piraeus Private Equity Partners since January 2015. He serves on the board of a number of companies, most notably Pollfish, PvPro, Inaccess, ASA Recycling, Centaur Analytics, Intale.

Opening remarks made by Mr. Dimitris DIMITRIOU, Member of Parliament - House of Representatives, Mr. Panayiotis SEN-TONAS, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Youth Board of Cyprus, Mr. Chrysanthos TSOUROULLIS, CEO OF Dias Publishing Group, Mr. George BOUSTRAS, Associate Professor in Risk Assessment at European University Cyprus & Dean of the Ioannis Gregoriou School of Business Administration and Ms. Anna KOUKKIDES PROCOPIOU, Spokeswoman for presidential candidate Nicholas Papadopoulos.

The co-founder of Industry Disruptors – Game Changers (ID-GC), Michalis STANGOS and the acting Director of GEN Cyprus, John GEORGOULAS, opened this year's Disrupt Cyprus.

Furthermore, the final stage of Disrupt Cyprus Cup III took place at the event. Finalists pitched their ideas live and claimed prizes of €30.000 that included, a special Youth Board of Cyprus Award, participation to international competitions and business support services.

Disrupt Cyprus was powered by Industry Disruptors – Game Changers (ID-GC) and GEN Cyprus in cooperation with Startup Cyprus and way out communications.

Lead Partners are the Hellenic Bank, KPMG Cyprus and Youth Organization Cyprus Partners were the European University Cyprus, LANITIS, NESCAFE and mscomm.

Seminar day: «Job Forum»

Organizer: School of Business Administration, Bachelor (BA) in Hotel, Tourism & Event Management program

Coordinators: Dr. Nikolaos Boukas, Dr. Christakis Sourouklis and Dr. Stelios Marneros

Participating Organizations: Kanika Group of Hotels, Atlantica Aeneas Resort & Spa, member of Atlantica group of Hotels, Grand Resort Limassol, Four Seasons, Saint George Hotel, Pavlo Napa Beach Hotel, Nestor Hotel, Laura Beach Hotel, Tofinis Hotel, Napa Mermaid Hotel & Suites, Yianna Marie Group of Tourists Companies, Nissiana Hotel, New Famagusta Hotel, Evalena Hotel, Bella Napa Hotel, Top Kinisis Travel, Cyprus Tourism Organization

Venue: Cultural Center, European University Cyprus

Date: 16 February 2018

European University Cyprus organized, on Friday 16 February, a seminar day aiming the connection of students with executives of the tourism and hotel industry of Cyprus. The seminar day supported one of the most important strategic pillars of European University Cyprus, the link of our graduates with the tourism industry. The seminar day aimed to increase students' employability with the tourism and hotel industry. The day was implemented under the auspices of the BA in Hotel, Tourism & Event Management of the Business School, and the tourism/hotel professional world of the island. A necessary objective of the Hotel, Tourism and Event Management Program is the placement of students to tourism and hotel units, and in expansion the hospitality sector, of the island for gaining valuable experience, something that usually leads to a permanent professional career, in the long term.

■ EUC International Week

Organizing Committee: Erasmus officer and Erasmus Coordinators

School of Business Coordinator: Dr. Cathrin Lazarou

School of Business International lecturers and participants: Dr Jan Alver, Tallinn University, Dr. Lehte Alver, Tallinn University, Dr. Eugenia Bitsani, Technological University of Peloponnese, Dr. Benoit Couveur, HELMO Business, Dr. Gonda Gyorgy, International Business School Rumania, Dr. Peter Marcin, Comenius University, Dr. Milos Mrva, Comenius University, Dr. Barbara Schnieders, EUFH University of Applied Science, Dr. Héger, Paris Business School, Dr. Imen, Paris Business School.

EUC class hosts: Dr. Cathrin Lazarou, Dr. Nikos Boukas, Dr. Simona Mihai, Dr. Marios Mavrides, Dr. Alexios Kythreotis, Dr. Despina Marouchou, Dr. Dino Domic, Dr. Christakis Sourouklis, Dr. Elmos Konis.

Venue: European University Cyprus

Date: 23-27 April 2018

Interdisciplinary Research Presentations

Place: Block C, 4th floor, Conference Room

Date: 25 April 2018, 8.30-11.20

The European University Cyprus Erasmus Office in collaboration with the Erasmus coordinators of the various School organized an International Erasmus Week. The Business School had the most participants who gave lectures throughout the week. Additionally, an interdisciplinary research presentation took place on Wednesday 25 April 2018 with the Business School international guests and the EUC School of Business.

■ Event 'Integrated Marketing Communications'

Organization: Department of Management and Marketing Coordinators: Dr. Myria Ioannou and Dr. Lycourgos Hadjiphanis

Date: 8 May 2018

The Department of Management and Marketing and specifically the course coordinator of the BBA in Marketing Communications and Social Media program Dr. Myria loannou with the assistance of Dr. Lycourgos Hadjiphanis organized an event called 'Integrated Marketing Communications' on 8 May 2018. The event commenced with a welcome speech by Dr. Myria loannou, explaining the importance of customer engagement via social media. The second speaker was Dr. Lycourgos Hadjiphanis who explained the four zones of social media marketing. The third speaker was Dr. Elmos Konis who indicated how marketing spams affect the life of the consumer. Finally, the last speaker of the event was a former student of the Department of Management and Marketing Mr. Socrates Constantinou, a new entrepreneur with his own company called Woody Creations, who explained how he uses the different promotional mix tools for his own company. Event attendance was high, which was the result of a well-coordinated effort of our marketing instructors.

7.2.2.2. Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance

Guest Lecture: 'ICAEW Educational Film: False Assurance and discussion'

Organizer: School of Business Administration/ Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance (MBA)

Coordinator: Dr. Alexios Kythreotis

Guest Lecturers: Ms. Christiana Diola, Members and Stakeholders Manager and Ms. Maria Katsiou, Members and Stakehold-

ers Executive at ICAEW Venue: Room 206 Date: 20 December 2017

Guest Lecture: 'Understanding the Mindset of a Fraudster: Common Myths and Facts'

Organizer: School of Business Administration/ Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance (MBA)

Coordinator: Dr. Alexios Kythreotis

Guest Lecturer: Ms. Chrystalla Kazara, Lecturer/Trainer in Fraud Risk Management and Certified Fraud Examiner

Venue: Room 202 Date: 3 May 2018

The Cyprus participation of the Worldwide Startup Europe Universities Network (SEUN) event

Organizer: School of Business Administration

Coordinator: Dr. Simona Mihai

Venue: Cultural Center Date: 25 October 2017

The School of Business organised a series of events during the Entrepreneurship week launched by the Worldwide Startup Europe Universities Network initiative. This enabled Cyprus to be on the map during the global action to increase entrepreneurship. The Event culminated in a business competition where awards were given to the winners. Over 140 persons participated in the event.

Coordination of the 6th economic history conference and interactive workshop on archival research

Organizers: Bank of Cyprus Historical Archive and the University of Cyprus

Coordinators: Dr. Alexander Apostolides and Dr. Alexios Kythreotis

Date: 4-5 November 2017

Dr. Alexander Apostolides and Dr. Alexios Kythreotis coordinated and presented at the 6th interactive history workshop entitled "Economic transformation in Cyprus and the Levant, 1850-1939". This was followed by an interactive workshop on archival research, which was attended by forty-five students. The conference and the workshop were jointly organized by the Bank of Cyprus Historical Archive and the University of Cyprus.

Open discussion on the issue "The challenges facing liberalism today"

Organizers: The Center for Cyprus Liberals and the Friedrich Naumann Stiftung

Coordinator: Dr. Alexander Apostolides

Speakers: Mr. Nikos Rompapas, Executive Director of the Center of Liberal Research (Greece) and Professor Aristidis Hatzis, from the National and Kapodistrian University, Athens.

Venue: European University Cyprus, room 208

Date: 7 November 2017

Dr. Alexander Apostolides co-organized an Open discussion on the issue "The challenges facing liberalism today" on 7 of November 2017. The discussion was supported by the Center for Cyprus Liberals and the Friedrich Naumann Stiftung.

Mr. Rompapas spoke about the usefulness of the existence of a liberal think tank in Greece, while Dr. Hatzis analysed the

challenges that a liberal thinking person has to face during the current upsurge of populism.

One-day workshop on Intrapreneurship in cooperation with CYTA and Microsoft Innovation Center in Limassol

Organizers: School of Business Administration, CYTA and Microsoft Innovation Center

Coordinators: Dr. Simona Mihai, Dr. Alexander Apostolides and Dr. Despina Marouchou

Venue: Cyprus College (Limassol)

Date: 19 November 2017

Dr. Simona Mihai, Dr. Alexander Apostolides and Dr. Despina Marouchou organised a one-day workshop on the subject of on intrapreneurship in cooperation with CYTA and Microsoft Innovation Center. The aim was the understanding of the concept and the practical application of intrapreneurship from Cypriot companies. The one-day workshop was attended by managers of companies based in Limassol.

Lecture on 'Currencies, the economies and the actual conditions and behaviour of the markets'

Organizer: School of Business AdministrationCoordinator: Dr. Simona Mihai

Venue: 204

Date: 13 December 2017

The Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance organized a Guest Lecture titled: 'Currencies, the economies and the actual conditions and behaviour of the markets' with Mr. Dimitrios Kakounis as the keynote speaker. The event took place on 13 December 2017 at European University Cyprus. The event's attendees included numerous university students and faculty.

Co-organized Lecture with CISI (Chartered Institute of Investments and Securities) on the topic "Integrity at work"

Organizers: Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance and CISI

Coordinator: Dr. Simona Mihai Speaker: Mr. Petros Florides

Date: 10 May 2018

Dr. Simona Mihai organized a lecture with the support of the international professional organization CISI (Chartered Institute of Investments and Securities) on the topic "Integrity at work".

The speaker was the President of CISI members Cyprus, Mr. Petros Florides.

Mr. Florides emphasized the increased demands on issues of morality and integrity expected in the post crisis financial professional.

■ Event 'The Republic of Cyprus' Citizenship by Investment Scheme'

 $Organizer: Department \ of \ Accounting, \ Economics \ and \ Finance \ in \ coordination \ with \ Center \ of \ Cyprus \ Liberals$

Venue: Auditorium A, European University Cyprus

Date: 16 May 2018

The Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance in coordination with the Center of Cyprus Liberals presented the topic: 'The Republic of Cyprus' Citizenship by Investment Scheme'. The event took place on 16 May 2018 at European University Cyprus. The event's attendees included numerous university students and faculty, as well as prominent keynote speakers.

7.3. School of Sciences

7.3.1. Message from the Acting Dean of the School of Sciences, Dr. Panayiotis Papageorgis

During the academic year 2017-2018, the School of Sciences has organized and implemented a series of significant organizational, research, and societal activities, as outlined below:

On the organizational level, the School continued and expanded its cooperation with the Ministries of Health and Education, private hospitals and healthcare providers, local professional organisations, as well as research institutes in order to facilitate accommodation of our students enrolled in the Health & Life Sciences programs during the implementation of their Clinical Practices and Practical Placements.

In the area of education, the School welcomed its first students in the program of "Cybersecurity" (MSc), one of the top emerging fields in information technology. The continuous growth of the School of Sciences was reflected in the further increase in the number of newly-enrolled students, as well as in the total number of students which, for the first time, exceeded those in 2000.. Moreover, students of our School reached significant achievements by presenting their work in international conferences and most importantly by publishing their research findings in international peer-reviewed journals in fields such as Public Health and Physiotherapy. Overall, the School of Sciences further improved its research activities and output. School faculty produced a large number of new publications in peer-reviewed scientific journals and have significantly increased their participation in local and internationally-funded research programs.

The social contribution of the School was once again multifaceted and comprehensive. Faculty and students of our School organized and participated in numerous educational, training and solidarity activities during the past academic year. Examples of such activities and events include the continued implementation of the 'Health & Prevention' program in cooperation with the company ExxonMobil, the implementation of international symposium in Speech Therapy, the Pancyprian conference in Physiotherapy, several events in the field of Educational Robotics and many others. Moreover, the School of Sciences continued to strengthen its links and cooperation with scientific, industrial and societal organizations.

The key objectives of the School of Sciences for the Academic Year 2018-2019 include the development of new programs in emerging fields of life, health and computer sciences, the targeted and selective recruitment of high-calibre new faculty, the acquisition of additional research funding and increase of research output, and to further enhance activities that will facilitate the employability of its graduates.







7.3.2. Events

7.3.2.1. Department of Computer Science and Engineering

Colloquium' Talk: "Difference systems in bond and face variables and non-potential versions of discrete integrable systems"

School of Sciences / Department of Computer Science and Engineering

Coordinator: Dr Ioannis Michos, Assistant Professor, Mathematics, European University Cyprus

Speaker: Dr Pavlos Kassotakis, Special Scientist, UCY Venue: Room 129, European University Cyprus

Date: 21 February 2018

Integrable discrete scalar equations defined on a two or a three-dimensional lattice can be rewritten as difference systems in bond variables or in face variables respectively. Both the difference systems in bond variables and the difference systems in face variables can be regarded as vector versions of the original equations. As an outcome, we are able to link some of the discrete equations by difference substitutions and reveal the non-potential versions of some consistent-around-thecube quad equations. We obtain higher-point configurations, including pairs of compatible six points schemes on the $\$ mathbb $\$ as we obtain a variety of compatible ten point schemes together with associated ten and twelve point schemes on the $\$ lattice. Multiquadratic quad relations were also presented.

Colloquium' Talk: "Methods for the simulation and analysis of Human Crowds"

School of Sciences / Department of Computer Science and Engineering

Coordinator: Dr. Vicky Papadopoulou Lesta, Assistant Professor, Computer Science, European University Cyprus

Speaker: Dr. Panayiotis Charalambous, Associate Research Scientist at the Cyprus Institute

Venue: Room 203, European University Cyprus

Date: 7 March 2018

We humans, as social beings, act and interact within crowds continuously in our everyday lives; we experience crowds in cities, concerts, sport events and nature (e.g., swarms of birds or herds of animals). Being such an important feature of our daily lives and the world, crowds both affect and are studied by many disciplines that come from many branches of science and various industries; these include (and are not limited to) psychology, sociology, biology, urban growth, robotics, smart cities, computer vision, traffic management, computer graphics, virtual reality, training, pedestrian dynamics and the entertainment industries (movies, computer games). As such, scientists from these areas are interested in creating realistic simulations, make accurate analysis and visualize different types of crowds at different scales.

As part of this talk, methods to both simulate, author and analyse human crowds were presented. Using data of real crowds to implicitly extract a model of crowd behaviour proves to be one of the most interesting approaches to do so since a person's motive to act a certain way is not easily defined by a set of simple manually defined rules. Consider for example a person moving in a street; how does that person move towards a target (sometimes even wander around aimlessly) and at the same time balance between moving with certain people (i.e., friends, family) and avoid collisions with other people who have conflicting goals (e.g., other partners, goals and motivation). Manually designing a system to simulate and analyse heterogeneous crowd behaviour is not a trivial task; the promise of data-driven methods is that behaviour can be defined implicitly. In addition to data-driven and machine learning methods, recent results from a) a system capable of simulating many types of group behaviours and b) a method to author and populate massive scenes (e.g., cities) with hundreds of thousands of agents under predefined user constraints, were presented. Finally, methods for the analysis of dance performances including identifying a performer's emotion (e.g., angry, sad, excited, etc.) were presented.

■ Colloquium'Talk: "Atomic Force Microscopy in Sickness and in Health"

School of Sciences / Department of Computer Science and Engineering

Coordinator: Dr. Vicky Papadopoulou Lesta, Assistant Professor, Computer Science, European University Cyprus

Speaker: Dr. Andreas Stylianou, Research & Teaching Collaborator, European University Cyprus

Venue: Room 204, European University Cyprus

Date: 23 March 2018

Atomic force microscopy (AFM) belongs to the scanning probe microscopy (SPM) family and was originally developed in order to extend scanning tunneling microscopy (STM). AFM is an easy-to-use, powerful, high-resolution microscope that allows the user to image any surface and under any aqueous condition. AFM has been used in the investigation of the structural and mechanical properties of a wide range of biological matters including biomolecules, biomaterials, cells, and tissues. It provides the capacity to acquire high-resolution images of biosamples at the nanoscale and allows their mechanical nanocharacterization. Nanocharacterization (imaging and mechanical properties characterization) of biosamples under physiologically relevant conditions is of great importance to medicine and pharmaceutical applications. AFM nanolevel surface characterization provides the ability to detect possible pathological conditions (e.g., cancer and osteoarthritis), test the biocompatibility of implant materials, study viruses, determine the structural properties of pharmaceutical formulations, enable visualization of topographical/mechanical changes to living cells as a result of pathological conditions or drug exposure, test novel drugs and their delivery systems, and examine disease-related tissue changes. Consequently, AFM stands out as the ideal research instrument for exploring the detection of pathological conditions at early stages, making it very attractive in the area of bio- and nanomedicine.

■ Colloquium'Talk: "On Lie symmetries of differential equations"

School of Sciences / Department of Computer Science and Engineering

Coordinator: Dr. Vicky Papadopoulou Lesta, Assistant Professor, Computer Science, European University Cyprus

Speaker: Ms. Nataliya Ivanova, Scientific Collaborator EUC, Institute of Mathematics of NAS of Ukraine

Venue: Room 123, European University Cyprus

Date: 30 March 2018

In this talk, we defined groups of symmetry (invariant) transformations of differential equations and discussed different types of symmetries focusing mainly on classical Lie symmetries. After describing an algorithm of construction of such symmetries, we illustrated an application of symmetry transformations for solving some problems in the theory of differential equations.

Colloquium'Talk: "Network flying platforms supporting future 5G wireless networks"

School of Sciences / Department of Computer Science and Engineering

Coordinator: Dr. Vicky Papadopoulou Lesta, Assistant Professor, Computer Science, European University Cyprus

Speaker: Dr. Konstantinos Katzis, Associate Professor, EUC

Venue: Room 204, European University Cyprus

Date: 26 April 2018

Network Flying Platforms (NFPs) such as unmanned aerial vehicles, unmanned balloons or drones flying at low/medium/ high altitude can be employed to enhance network coverage and capacity by deploying a swarm of flying platforms that implement novel radio resource management techniques aiming to support future 5G wireless networks. In this talk, we will see the type of platforms currently available as well as their operational capabilities based on a number of use case applications focusing on delivering broadband wireless access to hard-to-reach users. Furthermore, we propose a novel layered architecture where NFPs, of various types and flying at low/medium/high layers in a swarm of flying platforms, are considered as an integrated part of the future cellular networks to inject additional capacity and expand the coverage for exceptional scenarios (sports events, concerts, etc.) and hard-to-reach areas (rural or sparsely populated areas). Successful rollout of the proposed architecture depends on several factors including, but are not limited to: network optimization for NFP placement and association, safety operations of NFP for network/equipment security, and reliability for NFP transport and control/signaling mechanisms. In this work, we formulate the optimum placement of NFP at a Lower Layer (LL) by exploiting the airborne Self-organising Network (SON) features. Our initial simulations show the NFP-LL can serve more User Equipment (UE) using this placement technique.

Colloquium'Talk: "Network (Strategic) Games"

School of Sciences / Department of Computer Science and Engineering

Coordinator: Dr. Vicky Papadopoulou Lesta, Assistant Professor, Computer Science, European University Cyprus Speaker: Dr. Vicky Papadopoulou Lesta, Assistant Professor, Computer Science, European University Cyprus

Venue: Room 113, European University Cyprus

Date: 9 May 2018

Starting with a short introduction of the fundamentals of Game Theory, the speaker presented joint research works where Game Theory, Graph Theory, Combinatorics and Probability Theory is combined together in order to model, analyze and predict behavior of networks concerning Network Security, Efficient Communication of Dense Wi-Fi Access Points and more.

Colloquium'Talk: "Communication Satellites - Built on Earth and Launched into Space"

School of Sciences / Department of Computer Science and Engineering

Coordinator: Dr. Vicky Papadopoulou Lesta, Assistant Professor, Computer Science, European University Cyprus

Speaker: Mr. Kendeas Karantonis, Satellite Engineer-Hellas Sat 4

Venue: Room 203, European University Cyprus

Date: 10 May 2018

In just overa few decades, communications satellite technology has gone from being revolutionary to commonplace, from an idea to worldwide service. This discussion briefly summarized the satellite manufacturing and launch process. It described the satellite's main systems and the ground operations.

Colloquium' Talk: "Virtual Well-Being: Emotional and Behavioral Appraisal Patterns of an Immersive Experience"

School of Sciences / Department of Computer Science and Engineering

Coordinator: Dr, Vicky Papadopoulou Lesta, Assistant Professor, Computer Science, European University Cyprus

Speaker: Thomas Photiadis, PhD, EUC researcher and collaborator

Venue: Room 110, European University Cyprus

Date: 30 May 2018

Virtual Worlds continue to promote improvements in real life, combining the visual appearance and the human behavior with each successive generation of hardware. Virtual environments are used with critical implications for business, education, social sciences and in the society at large. It is not an exaggeration to say that 3D spaces are treated as a parallel or alternative reality, cultivating and even shaping the individual's personality. As a consequence, the evolution of virtual environments depends on individuals' presence (interaction, behavior, attitude etc.), which is determined, partly, by the emotional elicitation. Emotional impact has a significant role in an immersive experience, in that it regulates and influences the in-world beings, hence producing the need for an in-depth investigation. The current dissertation offers an in-depth analysis of the well-being before, during and after the virtual world's experience. The combination of the emotional and behavioral patterns through the virtual experience is the central topic of this research, including a range of factors: emotions, needs and mood; items to address the virtual well-being; the call for understanding and the interpretation of how emotions and behaviors are associated; the implementation of appraisal methods as a methodological tool for the identification of well-being, the rise of new research areas of positive behavior experience in virtual worlds, and the unresolved impact of positive virtual participation. The knowledge and the understanding of emotional behavior in 3D worlds may provide insights or motivations for further research in similar environments or can act as the basis for designing hybrid environments, enhancing the positivity of the virtual immersion. Additionally, this study may yield valuable results for the designers, psychologists, researchers and practitioners, providing new material for future implementations.

7.3.2.2. Department of Life Sciences

■ Workshop: "New Findings in Clinical Dietetics and Nutrition"

School of Sciences / Department of Life Sciences

Coordinators:

- Dr. Christiana Philippou, Lecturer, Nutrition & Dietetics Program, European University Cyprus
- Dr. Stavrie Chrysostomou, Lecturer, Nutrition & Dietetics Program, European University Cyprus

Venue: Cultural Center, European University Cyprus

Date: 5 October 2017

The BSc in Nutrition and Dietetics and the MSc in Applied Nutrition and Dietetics programs organized a workshop with the title "New Findings in Clinical Dietetics and Nutrition".

The workshop was under the auspices of the Cyprus Dietetic and Nutrition Association and Aretaion Hospital, Apollonia Hospital & Limassol Polyclinic. The topics were on Sports Nutrition, Maternal Nutrition, Gastrointestinal Nutrition, Autism and Nutrition. Also, research studies were presented by graduate students of Nutrition and Dietetics on related topics.

Seminar: "The social role of the Pharmacist"

School of Sciences / Department of Life Sciences

Coordinator: Dr. Sotiris Michaleas, Chair of the Department of Life Sciences, Coordinator of the BSc in Pharmacy program, European University Cyprus

Venue: Cultural Center, European University Cyprus

Date: 15 November, 2017

The seminar was addressed to students and professionals in the field of Pharmacy and to all those involved in volunteering and social offerings in Cyprus. The aim of the conference was to raise awareness of health professionals around issues related to volunteerism and social contributions, highlighting the actions of the field.

Workshop: "Juvenile Diabetes, Vision, Strategy and Priorities in Clinical Dietetics"

School of Sciences / Department of Life Sciences

Coordinators:

- Dr. Christiana Philippou, Lecturer, Nutrition & Dietetics Program, European University Cyprus
- Dr. Stavrie Chrysostomou, Lecturer, Nutrition & Dietetics Program, European University Cyprus

Speakers: Dr. Maria Skouroliakou, Assistant Professor, Charokopio University, Clinical Pharmacist, Scientific Counselor of Nutrition Center, IASO Hospital, Mr. Marios Charalambous, PhD candidate with topic "Exercise and Diabetes", Ms. Christina Andreou Neoptolemou, Clinical Dietician, Mentor of Practical Exercise, European University Cyprus, Vice Chair of the Koiliokakis Association (Cyprus), Prof. Nikos Skordis, Pediatrician, Ms. Georgia Karka, Special Nursing Administrator of Makarios Hospital

Venue: Auditorium B, European University Cyprus

Date: 3 July 2018

The Nutrition and Dietetics (BSc), the Clinical Dietetics (MSc) and the Sports Nutrition (MSc) programs in collaboration with the Pancyprian Diabetes Association organized a workshop titled "Juvenile Diabetes, Vision, Strategy and Priorities in Clinical Dietetics" on 3July 2018 at the European University Cyprus (EUC). This workshop has become an annual event for the Nutrition and Dietetics Programs of EUC aiming at informing all healthcare providers on topics related to Clinical Dietetics. The conference was held under the auspices of the Cyprus Registration Board for Food Scientists, Food Technologists and Dietitians and the Cyprus Dietetics and Nutrition Association.

7.3.2.3. Department of Health Sciences

■ Workshop: "Movement and Music: One of the Most Suitable Ways To Work Growing Up"

School of Sciences / Department of Health Sciences / Program of Physiotherapy / Music Education of the European University Cyprus

Coordinators:

- Dr. Sophia Xergia, Lecturer of Physiotherapy Program, European University Cyprus
- Dr. Giannis Myralis, Associate Professor, Music Education, Department of Arts, Music Education Group of European University Cyprus

Invited Speaker: Dr. Christos Ioannou, DiS, MA, MSc, PhD, Post PhD Researcher at Institute of Music Physiology & Musicians' medicine, University of Music, Drama and Media, Hannover, Germany

Venue: Cultural Center, European University Cyprus

Date: 10 October 2017

The event took place upon the collaboration of the Physiotherapy Program, School of Medicine and the Social and Department of Arts. It is of great importance in Health Sciences to introduce updated and modern methods and points of views for the treatment of a plethora of health problems; based on this, the three programs organized a very interesting meeting, in which Dr. Christos loannou delivered an excellent speech about neuroplasticity of the musicians. The event captured the interest of the audience that filled the room, which consisted mainly of musicians, health professionals and students.

■ Seminar: "Modern Trends and Developments in the Nursing Sector"

School of Sciences / Department of Health Sciences

Coordinator: Dr. Maria Prodromou, Lecturer, coordinator of the Nursing program, European University Cyprus

Speakers: Mr. Ioannis Leontiou, President of ΠΑΣΥΝΜ, Ms Maria Massieni, Representative of the Council of Nursing and Midwifery of Cyprus

Venue: Auditorium B, European University Cyprus

Date: 19 December 2017

The seminar was held with the aim of informing the students of Nursing and Nurses in general on the latest developments in Health and Health Services. The conference was held in cooperation with the Pancyprian Association of Nurses and Midwives.

■ Conference: "6th Pancyprian Physiotherapy Conference"

School of Sciences / Department of Health Sciences / EUC co-organized the event

Coordinators: Dr. Christos Savva, Lecturer, Coordinator of the Physiotherapy program, European University Cyprus

Mr. Christos Karayianni, Clinical Trainer of Physiotherapy, Physiotherapy program, European University Cyprus

Venue: Hilton Park Nicosia Date: 3-4 March 2018

The aim of the biannual Pancyprian conference was to present the most recent scientific evidence in the field of Physiotherapy in Cypriots Physiotherapists. The conference has various topics as pediatric physiotherapy, musculoskeletal physiotherapy, neurological physiotherapy, physical modalities and electrotherapy etc.

1st International Symposium: "Motor Speech Disorders in Children and Adults"

School of Sciences / Department of Health Sciences

Coordinator: Dr. Maria Christopoulou, Assistant Professor, Speech and Therapy Program

Venue: Cultural Center, European University Cyprus

Date: 23-25 March 2018

This symposium brought together experts and professionals from around the world to talk about, listen, learn, and problem-solve for Motor Speech Disorders in children and adults. We heard amazing presentations, speeches and posters regarding the different areas that affect the communication of people with motor speech disorders.

It was clear how diverse this population can be, and how people within this group can form sub-groups, as well as how they may have comorbidity with other disorders or difficulties. Moreover, it was clear how all the above affect the productivity, communication, psychology and generally, the quality of life for them.

We saw how important it is to support these people with proper differential diagnosis for the development of the best treatment plan, and how we must treat all areas of need, like intelligibility, prosody and duration, nasality, movement and coordination of the speech and myofunctional mechanism, language, speech, dysrhythmias, ideation and others, so as to benefit each person as a whole.

We were briefed about dysarthria, apraxia or dyspraxia, velopharyngeal insufficiency, the foreign accent syndrome and different treatment techniques in each person as a whole with metacognition and emotional support. We heard examples from people with Cerebral Palsy, Velocardiofacial Syndrome, Parkinson's Disease, Alzheimer's Disease, Acquired Brain Injury and other disorders. We learned about the genetic basis for apraxia and how it manifests in the brain, as well as the important role the collaboration of different professionals plays in a diverse multidisciplinary team for each person, that could include speech-language pathologists, geneticists, orthodontics, phoniatrics, psychologists, occupational therapists, physiotherapists, and special education teachers, among others.

Seminar: "Qualitative Research in a Clinical Context"

School of Sciences / Department of Health Sciences / EU project SENSE-Cog

Coordinator: Dr. Chrysoulla Thodi, Associate Professor, Speech and Therapy Program, European University Cyprus

Presenter: Mr. Lucas Wolski, M.Sc. Research Associate, Institute of Applied Research, Development and Further Education, Freiburg, Germany

Venue: Room T31, European University Cyprus

Date: 23 April 2018

Lucas Wolski, M.Sc. is a Research Associate with the European project "Ears, Eyes and Mind: The SENSE-Cog project to improve mental well-being for elderly Europeans with sensory impairment" at the IAF (Institute of Applied Research, Development and Further Education) in Freiburg, Germany; he is also a Psychogerontologist in Basel, Switzerland. His research interests lie within the field of sensory deprivation (hearing and visual impairment) and their combined effect on cognitive functioning (e.g., neurocognitive disorders).

The topics discussed in this seminar were:

- Introduction Grounded Theory Methodology and relevance to work with patients
- Investigating participant's needs the Problem Centered Interview (PCI)

Conference: "4th Student Conference of the Radiology - Radiotherapy Program on: Radiology and Radiotherapy Developments"

School of Sciences / Department of Health Sciences

Coordinators:

- Dr. Irene Polycarpou, Lecturer, European University Cyprus, Coordinator of the Radiology and Radiotherapy Program
- Mr. Stefanos Leandrou, Instructor, Department of Health Sciences, European University Cyprus

Venue: Cultural Center, European University Cyprus

Date: April 2018

The aim of the conference was to present and discuss recent developments in Radiology and Radiotherapy. At the conference, the students of the program presented their work in the form of a scientific poster and oral presentation, developing the scientific way of thinking and studying.

Seminar: "The limits on our behavior are filters that protect or isolate us"

School of Sciences / Department of Health Sciences

Coordinator: Dr. Maria Prodromou, Lecturer, Coordinator of the Nursing program, European University Cyprus

Venue: Room 208, European University Cyprus

Date: 11 June 2018

Everyday life often brings us into contact with mental disorder, psychology, therapeutic approaches and the way of management of mental illness. The Department of Health Sciences of European University Cyprus, acknowledging the value of mental health and realising the world's growing interest in further information on this issue, organized, in collaboration with the Association of Families and Friends of Mental Health "AGKALIA", a series of seminars. The seminars were addressed to a wide audience and aimed to provide basic and comprehensive knowledge about the issue of mental health.

Some of the topics that were discussed during these seminars were: Family System and its contribution to the development of the person; Schizophrenia - signs - symptoms - interventions; Psychotherapeutic approaches; Ethical issues in Mental Health; Working Environment and Stress Management etc.

Seminar: "Aging the relationship with parents"

School of Sciences / Department of Health Sciences

Coordinator: Dr. Maria Prodromou, Lecturer, Coordinator of the Nursing program, European University Cyprus

Venue: Room 206, European University Cyprus

Date: 4 July 2018

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7.4. School of Medicine

7.4.1. Message from the Acting Dean of the School of Medicine, Prof. Georgios Petrikkos

The EUC School of Medicine, the most advanced in Cyprus, after five years of operation, has been established as a leading educational institution in the region of South-East Europe. High standard students, from not only Europe but all over the word, entrust us with their education and are becoming members of our international student family. The use of high quality educational medical infrastructure and state-of-the-art laboratories, along with our innovative curriculum consisting of student-focused training methods and our problem-based intensive study program, offer our students the opportunity to study medicine in the most productive way. The high standard academic staff, with international scientific experience, including Nobel Laureates, such as Tomas Lindahl (biochemist, Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 2015) and Robert Huber (biochemist, Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 1988) as well as Jean-Marie Lehn (Chemistry, Nobel Prize in Chemistry 1987), and other highly awarded scientists, are dedicated to the education of the medical doctors of the future.

Our students have the opportunity to be oriented and trained in real medical environments from the early years of their studies, by rotating in the best and most prominent public and private medical centers. Highly experienced clinicians, experts in their respective field, are members of the clinical educational team and offer their mentoring services to students, cultivating appropriate skills and critical abilities. A network of diverse hospital and community-based training sites expose students to the healthcare community, pioneering development of effective clinical and communication skills.

During the past years, the School of Medicine has concluded agreements with renowned medical and research centers world-wide, for student training over and above their curriculum. Such a successful collaboration was initiated with the Henry Dunant Hospital in Athens, where students visited and were trained in various clinical departments. In addition, EUC has concluded an important agreement with the IASO medical group as well as with Hygeia Hospital Athens, while Medical students have also trained in clinical and research centers in the UK and US, having received positive feedback and successfully contributing to research projects.

It is also worth mentioning that as of September 2017, the first and only School of Dentistry in Cyprus launched its operation in EUC, using new and modern premises, which are fully equipped with special laboratories, simulators and virtual reality technology.

Finally, a new Master of Science on Infectious Diseases: Prevention and Control, designed for medical doctors, nurses and other health professionals is starting this academic Year (2018-2019), fully aligned to the "One Health" approach of the World Health Organisation (WHO).

7.4.2. Events

7.4.2.1. Department of Medicine

"Train the Trainers" 21-22 September 2017

This year's sessions presented the learning outcomes and special characteristics of clinical training, the learning model of the clinical and professional training followed by our School as member of the Laureate organization and included handson OSCE and simulation training.

Coordinator: Dr. George Petrikkos, Dean School of Medicine, European University Cyprus Speakers:

- Dr. Ioannis Patrikios, Professor of Medical Biochemistry & Immunology, Acting Chairperson, School of Medicine, EUC
- Dr. Elizabeth Johnson, Professor of Anatomy,
- Dr. Penelope Gkogkou, Clinical Lecturer, University of East Anglia, Consultant in Oncology, Scientific collaborator, School of Medicine, EUC
- Dr. Theodoros Xanthos, Professor of Physiology and Pathophysiology
- Dr. Giagkos Lavranos, Assistant Professor of Public Health, Vice-Chairperson, School of Sciences, EUC
- Dr. Constantinos Tsioutis, Lecturer of Internal Medicine
- Dr. Dimitrios Ntourakis, Lecturer of General Surgery
- Mr. Ioannis Pantazopoulos, Specialist in Pulmonary Medicine & Intensive Care, Scientific collaborator, School of Medicine, FUC

"Researcher's Night 2017"

Venue: State Fair in Nicosia Date: 29 September 2017 Title: Exploring the Brain

Coordinator: Dr. Dimitrios Ntourakis

Participants: Ilias Nikas, Kostas Tsamis, Elizabeth Johnson, Elpida Nikolousi, forty EUC medical students.

European University Cyprus was once again a proud supporter of the "Researcher's Night", an event organized by the Research Promotion Foundation (RPF) in collaboration with academic and research institutions and other stakeholders in Cyprus.

The event was an initiative of the European Commission and took place simultaneously in almost all European countries.

Participantshad the opportunity to take part in an engaging event, filled with music, games, experiments dedicated to science and research.

The multidisciplinary team of European University Cyprus researchers presented their work and informed the public about the role and importance of research, in a festive and friendly atmosphere.

The EUC School of Medicine won the first prize for best activity.

■ 5th International Multithematic Scientific - Bio-Medical Congress

Coordinator: Dr. Ioannis Patrikios, Professor of Medical Biochemistry & Immunology, Acting Chairperson, School of Medicine, EUC

Keynote Speakers: Prof. Dr. Leland Hartwell, Prof. Dr. David Bates, Prof. Dr. Panayiotis Soucacos

Plenary Speakers: Prof. Dr Gerasimos Filippatos, Prof. Dr Filippos Triposkiadis, Prof. Dr Charis Antoniades, Prof. Dr Vasilis Vasilikos, Ass. Prof. Dr Konstantinos Toutouzas, Prof. Dr Stavros Konstantinides, Dr. Giorgos Andrikopoulos, Ass. Prof. Dr Ingeborg Friehs, Dr. Demetris Papamichael, Prof. Dr Gerry Melino, Ass. Prof. Dr Dimas Konstantinos, Prof. Dr Anastasis Stephanou, Ass., Prof. Dr Andreas Hadjisavvas, Prof. Dr Antreas Constantinou, Assist. Prof. Dr Giorgos Apidianakis, Prof. Dr. Barbara Seliger, Dr. Licia Rivoltini, Prof. Dr George Chrousos, Prof. Dr Elizabeth Johnson, Prof. Dr Leondios G. Kostrikis, Dr. Florian Graedler, Prof. Dr Philippos C. Patsalis, Prof. Dr Kyproula Christodoulou, Prof. Dr Marios Kariolou, Prof. Dr Alberto Mantovani, Dr. Stavros Charalampous, Dr. Christos Christou, Ass. Prof. Dr Marios Pantzaris, Prof. Dr Ioannis Patrikios, Prof. Dr Nikos Grigoriadis, Prof. Dr Nektarios Tavernarakis, Prof. Dr George Hadjigeorgiou, Prof. Dr Savvas Papacostas, Ass. Prof. Dr Demos Mitsikostas, Prof. Dr Achilleas Gravanis, Dr. Tassos Georgiou, Dr. George Vraka, Dr. Aggelos Gregoriou

Venue: EUC Cultural Center Date: 2-4 November 2017

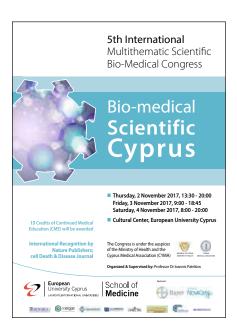
For this year, our congress was upgraded to a three-day event with participation and submission of more than 100 abstracts that were published in the ISBN-referenced congress abstract book and 55 scientific papers for the "Poster Sessions", record numbers that well exceeded all expectations and any previous participation.

Our congress has been internationally recognized by one of the most trustable and reputable publishers in the world, through a Meeting Report in the Nature- Publisher-journal "Cell Death & Disease".

European Antibiotic Awareness Day

Date: 20 November 2017 Venue: EUC Cultural Center

The Medical School of European University Cyprus, in cooperation with the Cyprus Chemotherapy and Infectious Diseases Society, the Cyprus National Committee of the European Commission for the Control of Infections (EUCIC), as well as other Institutions, are actively involved in educational events in the field of proper antimicrobial treatment and infection control.





Antibiotic resistance: Post-antibiotic Era?

Keynote Speaker: Nobel Laureate, Professor Dr. Ada Yonath, Weizmann Institute of Science, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Honorary Professor of European University Cyprus

Title: "Next Generation Eco Friendly Antibiotics"

Plenary Speaker: Professor Dr. Theoklis Elias Zaoutis, Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania

Title: Bad Bugs, No Drugs: The Antibiotic Resistance Threat

Date: 18 December 2017 Venue: EUC Cultural Center

3rd Cyprus Annual Medical Students Meeting (CAMeSM)

Keynote Speakers: - George Chrousos, Professor of Pediatrics, University of Athens

- Afksendiyos Kalangos, Professor of Cardiovascular Surgery, University Hospital of Geneva

Venue: EUC Cultural Center Date: 29 March 2018

The School of Medicine of European University Cyprus organized for the third consecutive year the Annual Meeting of Students of Medicine. The keynote speakers were Professor of Pediatrics, George Chrousos and Professor of Cardiovascular Surgery, University Hospital of Geneva, Afksendiyos Kalangos

At the conference, the students of Medicine presented, analyzed and discussed issues of scientific content and interest, concerns, as well as informative issues.

Poster Sessions: Presentation of scientific articles of Biochemistry students for purposes of presentation scientific posters.

Venue: EUC Premises

Coordinator: Prof. Ioannis Patrikios

Date: Twice a year at the end of each semester

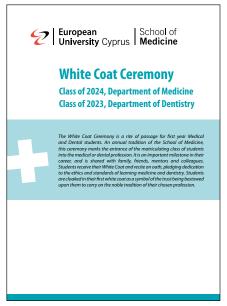
■ White Coat Ceremony & Freshmen's Oath

Inauguration ceremony of freshmen for the new academic year F2017-S2018

Coordinator: Dr. George Petrikkos, Dean School of Medicine, European University Cyprus

Date: 29 March 2018 Venue: EUC Cultural Center





Advisory Board Meeting

Chair:

- Prof. George Petrikkos, Dean, School of Medicine

Members

- Dr. Petros Agathangelou, President of Cyprus Medical Association, Cyprus
- Prof. Georgios Chrousos, Professor of Medicine, Chairman of the First Department of Pediatrics at the National Kapodistrian University of Athens School of Medicine, Athens, Greece
- Dr. Andreas Georgiou, Pulmonology Department, Nicosia General Hospital (Hospital Clinical Training Coordinator), Cyprus
- Dr. Michalis Hatzigavriel, Nephrology Clinic, Larnaka, General Hospital (Hospital Clinical Training Coordinator), Cyprus
- Dr. Christodoulos Kaisis, Executive Director, Arch. Makarios Hospital, Nicosia (Hospital Clinical Training Coordinator), Cyprus
- Prof. Afksendyios Kalangos, Chef de Service de Chirurgie Cardio-vasculaire, Hôpitaux Universitaires de Genève, Switzerland
- Dr. Stelios Kakoullis, Chairman of Cyprus Medical Council, Cyprus
- Prof. Nikolaos Zamboglou, Professor of Radiation Oncology, University of Frankfurt, Director of Radiation Klinikum Offenbach, Germany, Medical Director, GOC
- Prof. Georgios Hadjigeorgiou, Director of Department of Neurology, Faculty of Medicine, School of Health Sciences, University of Thessaly, Greece

Date: 29 March 2018

Venue: M3

Biology workshop for children

Coordinator for the EUC School of Medicine: Dr. D. Ntourakis

Trainers: EUC School of medicine peer teacher students.

Date: 11 May 2018.

Joint activity with the department of Biology and the department of Education Science. Medical and Biological training session for schoolchildren.

School visit at the Anatomy lab of EUC

Interactive activities for third grade pupils of the GC School of Careers.

Coordinator: Dr. D.Ntourakis.

Trainers: EUC School of medicine peer teacher students.

Venue: EUC anatomy lab

Date: 3 May 2018

Suturing workshop & laparoscopic skills workshop

Training in basic surgical skills and laparoscopic skills for medical students. More than forty EUC School of Medicine students were offered the opportunity to learn or improve the manual skills that they will be expected to perform during their clinical career as physicians or surgerons. The program is based on specific learning outcomes set by international surgical authorities.

Coordinator: Dr. D. Ntourakis

Trainers: EUC School of medicine peer teacher students.

Date: 29 March 2018

Participants: Forty EUC School of medicine students for clinical and preclinical years.

Venue: Special Skills lab & Anatomy lab of the EUC school of Medicine

"The brain of musicians as a model of neural plasticity. Focal dystonia for musicians and proper prevention"

The Medical School, in collaboration with the School of Sciences, the Physiotherapy Program and the Music and Pedagogical Group of European University Cyprus, organised a lecture titled: "The brain of musicians as a model of neural plasticity. Focal dystonia for musicians and proper prevention".

Invited Speaker: Dr. Christos Ioannou, a post-doctoral fellow of Hannover University of Music, Drama and Media Hannover, Germany

Coordinators: Dr. Yiannis Miralis, Dr. Constantinos Tsioutis, Dr. Sofia Xergia

Date: 26 June 2018

Venue: M1

Internships

The medical school of European University Cyprus has developed an innovative and extensive international externship program. For the summer 2018, selected students carried out externships in the following institutes:

- Shriners Hospitals for Children, SHC Springfield Massachusetts
- Oxford Medical
- Alpert Medical School and Brown University, Rhode Island Hospital
- Barts and the London School of Medicine Queen Mary, University of London.
- Imperial College London
- University of Southampton and many others.

Short-term surgical and research training seminars:

The following elective seminars are offered to 3rd year and beyond medical students who have successfully completed the Basic Surgery course.

ESMSC (Essential Skills in the Management of Surgical Cases)

Participants: EUC School of Medicine students who have successfully completed the Basic Training

Venue: ELPEN experimental lab, Pikermi, Greece

Undergraduate Surgical Education is becoming an essential element in the training of the future generation of safe and efficient surgeons. Currently, evolving technology and increasing demand for excellence in patient care have led towards the reconsideration of surgical curriculum, and various Medical Schools are introducing Basic Surgical Training (BST) skills at an earlier stage. Essential Skills in the Management of Surgical Cases (ESMSC), is an international, applied surgical science and wet lab intense course, designed to combine basic science knowledge, with case-based learning and BST in vivo and ex vivo modules, aimed specifically at the undergraduate level.

Curriculum CI4R (3rd Edition) is a brand-new ergonomic combination of current classic In Vivo and Ex Vivo stations with high fidelity research modules, which aim to discover more on how students should be motivated towards the hands-on skills. Currently we are proud to introduce the "4th Core", which introduces delegates to the "non-technical skills" and tries to enhance their ability to engage early on with decision-making and familiarise themselves with the "soft skills" principles. In vivo dissections & Scoping on high fidelity simulation model, ex vivo stations including ORIF, suturing, USS-guided central access, Dexterity skills, Lab Simulator, Wound debridement, small interactive workshops, comprise some parts of this exciting two-year-old now initiative.

Medical Students report overall improvement in their confidence to approach a surgical patient, and the average feedback from both series was 9.50/10 (7-10, SD=0.86) and 8.61/10 (5-10, SD=1.24). The overall ESMSC concept was positively evaluated, with a mean score of 9.41/10 (8-10, SD=0.72) and 8.94/10 (7-10, SD=1.1). In the out of 10 scale, delegates thought that ESMSC should be incorporated as a feature of undergraduate surgical curriculum with a mean score 9.86/10 (8-10, SD 0.43) and (9.58/10, 6-10, SD=0.91). A comparison between UK and Greek Medical Students reports, as well as between Year 3,4 and Year 5,6 Medical Student responses revealed no significant statistical difference on any question (p>0.05).

Surgery is a rapidly evolving field of Medicine, hence involvement of students into Basic Surgical Training is essential. Simu-

lation-based training is an efficient way towards the acquisition of basic surgical skills. Medical students seem to appreciate and seek any SBT opportunity in their undergraduate training years, and this is reflected in the ESMSC feedback report from both younger, as well as more senior students. What is more, students across different European countries appear to have similar views on needs for training and development.

IRCAD Business Engineering and Surgical Technologies (BEST)

Participants: Two selected EUC school of Medicine students who have successfully completed the course of Basic Surgery Venue: University of Strasbourg and IRCAD research center, France.

The B.E.S.T. program was created by IRCAD, a non-profit organization dedicated to students and young professionals in the medical field with an interest in Minimally Invasive Surgical Strategies (MISS). Our objective is to educate our audience in MISS, regardless of their professional background, to make this training appealing, and to spur surgical innovation. Education is provided through the Business Engineering and Surgical Technologies (B.E.S.T) education program, using the web and courses presented in partnership with the IRCAD and IHU in Strasbourg, France.

http://www.best-innovation.eu/

International cooperations:

- IASO Health Units

IASO is the No. 1 Maternity Hospital in Greece and is a state-of-the-art Gynecology Center with a capacity of 486 beds, where, besides IASO and IASO Children, include the beds of Intensive Care Units (IETH) Children, as well as the largest Intensive Care Unit of Neonates (MNN), which treats more than 2,500 premature babies a year. It also includes four fully equipped surgical rooms and six endoscopic rooms.

IASO Children is the most modern pediatric clinic in Greece. It functions according to the specifications of top pediatric hospitals abroad, with specially designed facilities for the care of children. It has 74 fully-equipped nursing beds, five fully-organized Surgical Rooms and six Infant Intensive Care Unit beds.

The aim of the collaboration is to train and educate the students of the Medical School of the University, to develop relationships, to promote activities in areas of common interest, as well as to implement academic and educational activities in the field of medicine.

The students will have the opportunity to visit the facilities of the IASO Health Units, to study in the departments of General, Obstetrics, Gynecology and Pediatrics, as well as to attend practical and theoretical lessons of the most advanced medical practices applied by the world's leading medical staff of IASO and IASO Children.

Date: 27 November 2017

- HYGEIA Group

The expansion of the network of associated hospitals with the Medical School of European University Cyprus aimed at the recent co-operation between the School and the Health Group in Greece.

The aim of the cooperation, which will last for 10 years, is the education and training of medical students, the exchange of know-how on issues of clinical practice and education, the promotion of activities in areas of common interest and the implementation of academic and educational activities in the field of medicine.

During the ceremony of the signing of the cooperation that took place on Wednesday 18 July 2018 at the "N. Louros "of MITERA, the agreement was sealed, in the presence of a number of representatives of the European University Cyprus, executives, academics and doctors of the HYGEIA Group.

On the collaboration, the Managing Director & President of the Council of European University Cyprus, Dr. Christoforos Hadjikyprianou said "The cooperation with the HYGEIA Group is of key importance and constitutes a special honor for European University Cyprus and the university community. Two large organizations join forces and create benefits not only for the health sector, but also for society and the economy in general. It is a comparative advantage for the practical and clinical experience of the students of the Medical School of European University Cyprus and contributes to our strategic goal of making the Medical School a model of Medical Education in Southeastern Europe."

Date: 26 July 2018

7.4.2.2. Department of Dentistry

■ Course on "Bonding in Dentistry"

One-day course for first year students by Professor George Eliades, Department of Dentistry, University of Athens, on the subjects:

"Bonding to Dental Tissues" & "Ceramics and Bonding"

Date: 07 May2018

Seminar for the Dentists of Cyprus

Seminar for the Dentists of Cyprus by Professor George Eliades, Department of Dentistry, University of Athens on the subject:

"Contemporary Advancements on Bonding of Restorations"

Date: 07 May2018 Venue: AUD

White Coat Ceremony

Inauguration ceremony of freshmen for the new academic year F2017-S2018

Coordinator: Dr. George Petrikkos, Dean School of Medicine, European University Cyprus

Date: 26 March2018 Venue: EUC Cultural Center

Advisory Board Meeting

Chair.

Prof. Georgios Petrikkos, Dean, School of Medicine

Members:

- Professor Athanasios E. Athanasiou, Dean and Professor of Orthodontics, Hamdan Bin Mohammed College of Dental Medicine, Mohammed Bin Rashid University of Medicine and Health Sciences, UAE
- Professor Dimitrios Tziafas, Professor of Endodontics, Hamdan Bin Mohammed College of Dental Medicine, Mohammed Bin Rashid University of Medicine and Health Sciences, UAE
- Professor Theodore Eliades, Professor and Chair, Clinic of Orthodontics and Pediatric Dentistry, Faculty of Dentistry, University of Zurich, Switzerland
- Professor Ioannis Iatrou, Professor Emeritus of Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Faculty of Dentistry, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, Greece
- Professor Sotiris Kalfas, Professor and Chair, Department of Preventive Dentistry and Periodontology, Faculty of Dentistry, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece
- Dr. Vrasidas Filippides, President Pancyprian Dental Association

Date: 26 March2018

Venue: M1

7.5. School of Law

7.5.1. Message from the Acting Dean of the School of Law, Dr. Konstantinos Tsimaras

Our School is constantly evolving, becoming a Centrerof excellence in specific areas, enhancing the employability aspect of our graduates and furtherinternationalizingits programs. We will be working hard to increase our research output in terms of high-quality journal publication and citations, books, and monographies. We will be investing on the new realities and opportunities that the energy law related to the recent discovery of hydrocarbons has created. New, interesting, current programs will be created that will influence the generation that will be ready to manage the changes in the law, politics, and economy of the country.

Wealready have strong relationships with the local and parts of the international law community; this is evident through our Advisory Boards of our programs. We will try to enhance this further; we are interested in building long-lasting relationships with the local and international law society. We want to listen to the law practicians and streamline our programs towards becoming compatible with their needs. We want to develop socially responsible leaders in the area of law with the capability of solving problems, managing organizations and being innovative!









7.5.2. Visiting Professors

 Theodoros Papatheodorou, Doctor of Criminal and Criminal Sciences, Visiting Professor at the School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Department of Law.

Mr. Papatheodorou is a former Rector of the University of Peloponnese and former Deputy Minister of Education and Religious Affairs, Culture and Sports of Greece. He has published many articles and scientific studies in Greek and international journals.

In particular, he has worked in Greece and in European countries such as France and Belgium on issues of crime, international cooperation, and devolution of anti-criminal policy, as well as many applications of immigration policy. He is a member of many international and national scientific associations and organizations and has served as an expert in the European Commission.

 Georgios Nikolopoulos, Professor at the Department of Sociology, Panteion University of Social and Political Sciences (Department of Sociology, Department of Criminology).

Visiting Professor at the School of Law, European University Cyprus

- Athanasios Pouliadis, Dr. at Law. Professor of Public Law at the Law School of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece
- **Spyridon Flogaitis, Dr. at Law.** Professor of Public Law at the University of Athens, Greece

Prof. Flogaitis is a Greek lawyer, jurist and academic. He is the editor and founder of numerous legal journals, and is also a judge in the Council of State. Flogaitis has formerly served as an Alternate Minister of European Affairs in the CaretakerCabinet of Vassiliki Thanou-Christophilou. He has also formerly served as an interim Minister of the Interior twice, once in 2007 and once in 2009.

Leonidas Kotsalis, Dr. at Law. Professor of penal law at the University of Athens, Greece

7.5.3. Events

■ Educational excursion: History of Law educational excursion

Organization: EUC Law School and the Hellenes and Cypriots Jurists Association.

Coordinator(s):Charalambos Stamelos

Date: Tuesday 31 October 2017 Venue: Kolossi Castle in Limassol

On Tuesday 31 October 2017, an educational excursion took place by the co-organization of the EUC Law School and the Hellenes and Cypriots Jurists Association.

Sixty students of the Law School attending the course "History of Law" by the scientific guidance of the Scientific Collaborator of the Law School, Charalampos Stamelos, visited the Kolossi Castle in Limassol.

The Castle was the headquarters of the Templars in 1305-1308, until they were prosecuted by a papal bulla. In Cyprus, the Templars were established after the fall of Accra in 1291 and they were residents in Nicosia, in Famagusta, in Larnaca, in Limassol, and other cities.

The students walked around and inside the Castle, as well as to the impressive roof and they were informed about the history of the Castle and its historic value regarding the Templars.

Workshop: Translating Europe Workshop 2017: Court Interpreting and Legal Translation in Cyprus

Organization: European Commission, European University Cyprus and the Cultural Academy "Kypropaideia"

Coordinator(s): Martha NEOKLEOUS, European Commission/ Dimitra KAROULLA-VRIKKI, European University Cyprus/ Konstantinos TSIMARAS, European University Cyprus/ Giorgos V. GEORGIOU, Cultural Academy "Kypropaideia"/ Martha NEOKLEOUS – Field Office Nicosia, Directorate-General for Translation of the European Commission

Welcome addresses:

- Kostas GOULIAMOS, Rector of European University Cyprus
- His Eminence Metropolitan Mr ISAIAS of the Metropolis of Tamassos and Orinis
- Ionas NIKOLAOU, Minister of Justice and Public Order

Opening remarks: Christos ELLINIDES, Deputy Director General of DGT (Directorate-General for Translation) of the European Commission

Opening remarks (recorded video message) Isabelle PERIGNON, Head of Unit "Procedural Criminal Law" at DG JUST (Directorate-General for Justice and Consumers) of the European Commission

1ST PANEL DISCUSSION

Court Interpreting in Cyprus – Implementation of Directive 2010/64/EU

Chair Stefanos VLACHOPOULOS, Professor at Technological Educational Institute of Epirus

Rapporteur: Theodoros VYZAS, Research Associate at Technological Educational Institute of Epirus

- Court interpreting from a professional perspective Anastasia PILOTTOU, President of PanUTI
- The right to interpretation and translation in Cyprus Elias GEORGHIOU, S.D.J at Larnaca-Famagusta District Court
- Interpretation in the judicial procedure Stelios AVGOUSTIS, President of Cyprus Bar Association of Young Lawyers
- Training and education for the parties involved Michalis POLITIS, Associate Professor at Ionion University
- Q& A session; Discussion

2ND PANEL DISCUSSION

Translation and Interpretation at the Police and for Migrants – Implementation of Directive 2012/13/EU Chair: Konstantinos TSIMARAS, Assistant Professor and Acting Dean of School of Law at European University Cyprus Rapporteur: Thalia PRASTITOU MERDI, Lecturer at European University Cyprus

- Interpretation and translation in the pre-trial stage Marios PAPAEVRIVIADES, Police Lieutenant at Nicosia Criminal Investigation Department
- The role of translators and interpreters at the Reviewing Authority of Refugees. Theofano MICHAELIDES, Reviewing Authority of Refugees
- Translation and interpretation procedures in Cyprus: the experiences of the interpreters / translators Dimitra KAROULLA-VRIKKI, Associate Professor at European University Cyprus - Giorgos V. GEORGIOU, Director of Cultural Academy "Kypropaideia" and Scientific Collaborator at the University of Athens

Q&A session; Discussion

3RD PANEL DISCUSSION

Legal Translation – Challenges and Drawbacks

Chair: Georgios KENTROTIS, Professor at Ionion University

Rapporteur: Georgios MANIKAS, LLM Public Law, European University Cyprus

- State translator. Present and future. Sophie MICHAELIDOU, Director of Press and Information Office (PIO)
- Legal Translation in Cyprus: past, present and future. Theodoros VYZAS, Research Associate at Technological Educational Institute of Epirus
- The translation of laws in the Republic of Cyprus. Stefanos VLACHOPOULOS, Professor at Technological Educational Institute of Epirus

- Translation of multilingual EU legislation: A dilemma between linguistic equality and the need for legal conformity. Thalia PRASTITOU MERDI, Lecturer at European University Cyprus

Venue: Cultural Center, European University Cyprus

Date: Wednesday 1 November 2017

The workshop was organized as part of the #TranslatingEurope initiative of the Directorate-General for Translation of the European Commission and was addressed, among others, to legal professionals, judges, public service officials, professional translators and interpreters, academics and relevant NGOs.

The workshop, in its first two sessions, focused on the issue of translation services during trial proceedings in criminal cases, as well as during the interpretation process for police interrogations in Cyprus, and more specifically on the transposition and application of Directive 2010/64/EU and Directive 2012/13/EU in Cyprus. In its third session, the workshop shed light on various challenges and drawbacks of legal translation in Cyprus, as well as general EU level translation dilemmas.

■ Book presentation: Cyprus Civil Procedure

Organization: School of Law and Nomiki BiBliothiki publications

Coordinator(s): Nikolaos Koulouris, Assistant Professor, School of Law - EUC

Welcome speeches:

- Myron Nikolatos, President of the Supreme Court
- Konstantinos Clerides, Attorney General of the Republic
- Doros Ioannidis, President of the Pancyprian Bar Association

Book Presentation: Andreas Angelidis, Attorney-at-law

Speech by the author, Mr. Nikolaos Koulouris, on Greek and Cypriot Civil Procedure: Differences and similarities

Venue: Cultural Center, EUC

Date: Friday 10 November 2017, at 16:00

Dr Koulouris, Assistant Professor of Civil and Administrative Procedural Law at the Law School of EUC presented his monography on Greek and Cypriot Civil Procedure: Differences and similarities which is a comparative study of Greek and Cypriot civil procedural law.

International conference: Regulation and Enforcement in the Digital Age REDA 2017: 16 - 17/11/2017

Organization: University of Cyprus, European University Cyprus

Coordinator(s): Dr. Thalia Prastitou Merdi, Dr. Philippe Jougleux, Dr. Christiana Markou, Dr. Tatiana Synodinou Welcome Speeches:

- Yiorgos Lakkotrypis, Minister of Commerce, Industry and Tourism Pavlos Paraskevas, Director of the Cultural Services of the Ministry of Education and Culture
- Professor Kostas Gouliamos, Rector, European University Cyprus, Professor Athanasios Gagatsis, Vice Rector of Academic Affairs, University of Cyprus,
- Aristotelis Constantinides, Chair of the Law Department, University of Cyprus, Konstantinos Tsimaras, Dean of the Faculty of Law, European University Cyprus

SESSION 1. COPYRIGHT LAW IN THE DIGITAL ERA - PART I

Chair of panel: - Achilleas Demetriades, Barrister

- Anne- Catherine Lorrain (Policy Advisor on Legal Affairs, Greens-EFA political group in the European Parliament): EU policy on copyright law
- Jonathan Griffiths (Queen Mary University): Cultural diversity and copyright law
- Stef van Gompel (University of Amsterdam, IVIR): The need for evidence-based copyright reform in the digital era
- Daphne Papadopoulou (Counsellor-at-Law Copyright Expert): Copyright and the press publishers' right in the Internet: evolutions and perspectives
- Andres Guadamuz (University of Sussex): Copyright and artificial intelligence. Do Androids Dream of Electric Copyright?

SESSION 2. COPYRIGHT LAW IN THE DIGITAL ERA - PART II

Chair of panel: Myron Nicolatos, President of the Supreme Court of Cyprus Cedric Manara (Copyright Counselor, Google): Copyright, intermediaries and the value gap for creators in the EU digital single market

- Eleonora Rosati (University of Southampton): Copyright and Internet Linking Gerald Spindler(University of Göttingen): Copyright law and Internet Intermediaries liability
- Bernd Justin Jütte (University of Nottingham): Forcing flexibility with fundamental rights
- Tatiana Synodinou (University of Cyprus): The lawful user in European Copyright law

SESSION 3. INTERNET REGULATION AND ENFORCEMENT

Chair of panel: Theano Christodoulou Mavromoustaki, Senior Legal Counsel at Law Office of the Republic of Cyprus

- Ioannis Iglezakis (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki): Net neutrality: Chances and Challenges
- Nikitas Hatzimichael (University of Cyprus): Cross border enforcement in civil litigation in Internet
- Francesco Banterle (Barrister, University of Milan): The problem of data ownership: would a property right in data be the best option for the EU? Philippe Jougleux (European University Cyprus): Spoilers: An EU law approach

SESSION 4. SPECIAL ISSUES IN DATA PROTECTION IN THE DIGITAL AGE

Chair of panel: Petros Liasis, Senior Manager Legal Affairs, Hermes Airport Ltd Theodoros Trokanas (Barrister): Genetic data: a special category of personal data protection under the GDPR

Laris Vrahimis (Barrister): Challenges in data protection in Cyprus

SESSION 5. DATA PROTECTION

Chair of panel: Irini Loizidou, Data Protection Commissioner

Lilian Mitrou (University of Aegean): Personal Data Protection and the Internet Giovanni Maria Riccio - Federica Pezza (University of Salerno): GDPR and Certification Mechanism as a Tool for the Unification of the European Law Christiana Markou (European University Cyprus): Data Retention in Cyprus after the CJEU annulment of the Data Retention Directive

SESSION 6. EMERGING TRENDS AND CHALLENGES OF E-COMMERCE AND CONSUMER LAW

Chair of panel: Charalambos Roussos, Acting Director-Consumer Protection Service-Ministry of Energy, Commerce and Tourism Session

- Paula Giliker (University of Bristol): Regulating contracts for the supply of digital content: the EU and UK response
- Catherine Easton (University of Lancaster): European Union information law and the sharing economy
- Thalia Prastitou Merdi (European University Cyprus): The proposed online sale of goods directive: A step towards further fragmentation of EU consumer contract law?
- Anna Plevri (University of Nicosia) Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) and On Line Dispute resolution (ODR) for EU consumers

SESSION 7. CYBERSECURITY AND INTERNET REGULATION

Chair of panel: Yiannos Georgiades, managing partner of the law firm "Georgiades & Associates LLC"

- Arno Lodder (Vrei University, Amsterdam): Black box algorithms and legitimacy: getting dark, too dark to see?
- George Michailides (Commissioner for Electronic Communications and Postal Regulations, Cyprus): Directive (EU) 2016/1148 concerning measures for a high common level of security of network and information systems across the Union Evangelia Vagena (IP & IT law expert, CIPP/E, vice president of HADPP): Cybersecurity in the EU: latest evolutions: the Greek experience
- Yianna Danidou (European University Cyprus): Regulation through code attempting to address the cybersecurity problem.

SESSION 8. PHD CANDIDATES SPECIAL SESSION. INTERNET REGULATION: NEW CHALLENGES, NEW IDEAS

Chair of panel: - Ioannis Inglezakis, Associate Professor, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

- Liliia Oprysk (PhD candidate, University of Tartu): Development of a Secondary Market for E-books: The Case of Amazon
- Branka Marusic (PhD candidate, Stockholm) Author's right to choose: A right of divulgation in the online digital single market of the EU
- Ioana Stupariu (SJD candidate, PhD, 3rd year, Central European University): Balancing rights through the new General Data Protection Regulation: Who bears the costs of more user control?
- Elena Karletidi (PhD candidate, European University Cyprus): The Crowdfunding through the internet: An alternative mean in collecting funds

Venue: University of Cyprus, Leventios building, room β 108 and European University Cyprus, Cultural center

Date: 16 and 17 November 2017

The biannual international conference "Regulation and Enforcement in the Digital Age 2017", co-organised for the second time by European University Cyprus and the University of Cyprus, brought forward and discussed key and novel legal issues related to the application of law in the digital era. In this direction, during the two-day conference, approximately 30 academics and researchers from both Cyprus and abroad, presented in detail interesting topics in this area of law divided into eight different sessions. These were: Copyright law in the digital era; Internet regulation and enforcement; Special issues in online data protection; Data protection and consumer rights;, Emerging trends and challenges of e-commerce and consumer law; Cybersecurity and Internet regulation; and lastly, a PhD Students Special Session: Internet regulation: New challenges, new ideas.

■ Conference: "Current developments in Administrative Law and Administrative Procedure in Europe"

Organization: School of Law, EUC

Venue: Room 115 Date: 17 November 2017

Coordinator(s): Konstantinos Tsimaras, Dean, School of Law, EUC

Speaker(s):

- Gordon Anthony, Professor of Public Law, School of Law, Queen's University. "Belfast: The evolution of "UK" Administrative Law"
- Vasilios Kondylis, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Athens. "The status of Independent Administrative Authorities under EU Law"
- Nikitas Chatzimichael, Assoc. Professor, Department of Law, University of Cyprus. "Cypriot law, a mixed legal system"
- Louiza Zannetou, Prosecutor of the Republic. "Formation, composition of collective bodies of administration"
- Alexia Kountouri, Advocate-Legal Advisor. "Public procurement law in Cyprus"

The purpose of the conference was to present the recent evolutions in public law across Europe, a comparison of Common Law system and Continental Law system. The participants presented a variety of topics from procurement law to the UK administrative law passing by Cypriot administrative law and the influence of EU law in the administrative bodies.

Moot court trial: «The historic trial of the Templars- Cyprus, 1310 – 1311»

Organizer: School of Law, European University, Cyprus, the Hellenes and Cypriots Jurists Association and the Office of students' affairs

Coordination: Charalambos Stamelos, Scientific Collaborator, School of Law, EUC

Chairperson: Charalambos Stamelos, Scientific Collaborator, School of Law, EUC

Opening Speeches: - Professor Costas Gouliamos, Rector European University, Cyprus

- Assistant Professor Konstantinos Tsimaras, Dean, School of Law, European University Cyprus

Speakers:

- Assistant Professor Konstantinos Tsimaras, Dean, School of Law, European University Cyprus
- Higher Researcher of the Ministry of Education of Cyprus, Dr Nikos Koureas
- Professor of Law, Nikitas Hatzimichael, University of Cyprus
- Participation of law students

Venue: European University Cyprus Date: Monday 11 December 2017

In the framework of the course "History of Law" of the European University Cyprus School of Law, the Law School, the Hellenes and Cypriots Jurists Association and the Students Supporting Office co-organized an event titled: «The historic trial of the Templars- Cyprus, 1310 – 1311», which took place on Monday 11 December 2017, at 16:00-18:00, at European University Cyprus.

It is about a moot court trial, a representation of the trial actually held in 1310 in Nicosia and led to the acquittal of all the defendants for heresy, idolatry and similar offences.

In the event the testimonies of the Templars, Knights and Priests of the Order of the Temple, was presented, as well as the testimonies of the witnesses of the trial, as they were given according to the authentic files of the Vatican, which have been now been officially published as they were kept in Latin.

It was about a fair trial of that time, as no defendant Templar or witness suffered any torture (as it happened in other trials of that time, mainly in France). On the contrary, all the defendants and witnesses freely testified their views under oath, not only the 76 Templars, but also the 56 witnesses, such as Knights of other Orders, priests, monks, bishops, and residents of Cyprus.

The EUC Law School students presented these roles.

Two Professors, the Dean of the Law School Dr. Konstantinos Tsimaras and the Scientific Collaborator Dr. Charalampos Stamelos presented the roles of the two judges-bishops of that time (of Limassol and of Famagusta). Professors of Medieval History of the University of Cyprus also participated in the event.

The event was covered by TV Channel Sigma and was promoted in the evening News. Professor Gouliamos, Professor Tsimaras and Scientific Collaborator Stamelos spoke to the journalist, while law student Christos Charalampous and their short statements were also broadcast during the evening News of Sigma TV Channel.

Educational visit: "Visit at Areios Pagos - The Supreme Civil and Criminal Court of Greece"

Organization: School of Law, EUC

Coordinator(s): Dr. Konstantinos Tsimaras, Dr. Charalambos Stamelos

Speaker(s): Vasilios Peppas, President of the Supreme Court and Xeni Demetriou Vasilopoulou, Attorney General of the Supreme Court

Venue: Areios Pagos Court, Athens, Greece

Date: Tuesday 23 January 2018

Maintaining as a basic principle that knowledge is not confined the the amphitheatre alone, but it is necessary to develop first-hand methods of education, and methods that familiarize students with the course of their subject matter, in this case legal science, a visit was organized to one of the leading courts in Greece, The Supreme Court of Greece for Civil and Criminal Cases, which is called in Greek "Areios Pagos". The aim of the visit was to familiarize students with the courtroom, the Justice area where they will be called upon to exercise their functions in the future, either as judges or as lawyers. Student tracking is intended to gradually integrate them into judicial reality by completing their theoretical training.

The students were accompanied by the Dean of the Law School, Dr. Konstantinos Tsimaras, and the scientific collaborator, Dr. Charalambos Stamelos. The students were warmly welcomed by a committee of representatives of the Supreme Court, consisting of a Supreme Court Judge, a Counsel of the Supreme Court and the Director of the Court Secretariat. The students were led to Hall of the Plenary Session where the Judge and the Deputy Prosecutor welcomed the students and gave them information on the jurisdiction and the functioning of the court.

Students, in groups, were led to the Trial Rooms of the court departments where they attended sessions of the criminal and labor divisions. Then, the students welcomed in the Hall of the Plenary Session the President, Vasilios Peppas and the Attorney-General of the Supreme Court, Xeni Demetriou Vasilopoulou, who, after a warm greeting, extensively discussed with them, answering their questions, and wishing that in the future some of the students, after completing their studies, choose to become members of the judiciary.

Public Lecture: Liability of the debtor to compensation for non-performance of the contract under the Civil Code and European Contract Law

Organization: School of Law, European University Cyprus

Coordinator(s): Euripides Rizos Assistant Professor at the Law School of the European University, Cyprus

Speaker(s): Athanasios Pouliades, Professor of Law at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

Venue: Auditorium A, EUC Date: Tuesday 20 February 2018

The lecture by Prof. Pouliades developed issues with respect to the debtor's liability in cases of breach of contract (such as the extent of the compensation to be paid, the possibility of covering nonpecuniary damages etc), comparing the respective regulations in the Greek Civil Code and the European Contract Law.

■ Book presentation: The Stars of the Criminal Pantheon. As I experienced them

Organization: Soloneion Book Center and the Pataki Publications

Speaker(s): Konstantinos Tsimaras, Dean of the Faculty of Law of the European University of Cyprus,

George Frangos, President of the Union of Cyprus Journalists

Panos Sobolos, Journalist, Author

Venue: Soloneion Book Center, 24th Byzantium Street, in Strovolos.

Date: Thursday 1 March 2018

The Soloneion Book Center and the Pataki Publications presented the journalist's book, Panos Sobolos, titled: "The Stars of the Criminal Pantheon. As I experienced them." Panos Sobolos, the "Rector" of the police report in Greece writes, without condemning, without acquittal. The acclaimed journalist and former president of ESIEA, Panos Sobolos, tells the stories of the infamous thugs the Police and Justice have assigned to the criminal pantheon. The presentation took place on Thursday, 1 March at the Soloneion Book Center, 24th Byzantium Street, in Strovolos.

The Cypriot audience was told by Mr. Sobolos about the bandits who spend their money on the "bouzoukia" and sew their lips with a needle and a thread, a series of killers who killed for pleasure, polite burglars and ideologists of illegality, manslaughter, cinematic helicopter escapes, episodic arrests and other facts that challenged the authorities and the media and shocked society.

The book was addressed by Konstantinos Tsimaras, Dean of the Faculty of Law of European University Cyprus, George Frangos, President of the Union of Cyprus Journalists, as well as the author.

Public Lecture: "The General Court and the Structure of Union Justice"

Organization: School of Law, European University Cyprus

Coordinator(s): Mrs. Antigoni Alexandropoulou, Assistant Professor and Coordinator(s) of the postgraduate program

Speaker(s): Dr. Savvas Papasavvas Judge at the General Court of the EU, President of the 5th Chamber

Venue: Room 126, EUC Date: 23 March 2018

Within the postgraduate program of the Law School, Mr. Savvas Papasavvas, Judge at the General Court of the European Union (Cyprus), held a lecture on "The General Court and the Structure of Union Justice". The students of the postgraduate and doctoral program of the Law School were invited to attend.

■ Educational visit: Greek Police Department's Criminal Investigation Directorate

Organization: George Chloupis, Scientific collaborator, European University Cyprus Coordinator(s): George Chloupis, Scientific collaborator, European University Cyprus

Speaker(s): The Director General, Ph.D., Miniatis Pinelopi

Venue: the Greek Police Department's Criminal Investigation Directorate

Date: 12 April 2018

The Law School of European University Cyprus and in particular the students of the Criminology course (LAW 323) visited the premises of the Greek Police Department's Criminal Investigation Directorate (API) on Friday 12 April 2018. The educational visit lasted several hours, it was particularly interesting, The Director General Ph.D. Penelope Miniadis spoke to the students and gave them a tour around the laboratories (weapons, balistic, exploration, photography, chemistry, graphology, DNA, fingerprinting) where the students were briefed by the departmental staff and had their questions answered.

International Conference: 7th Conference of the Postgraduate and Early Professionals/Academics Network of the Society of International Economic Law (PEPA/SIEL) 2017

Organization: PEPA/SIEL in collaboration with the Law School of European University Cyprus Coordinator(s): Conference Co-Chairs: Freya Baetens, José Caiado, Constantinos Tsimaras and Venetia Argyropoulou. Speaker(s):

- Professor Victor Do Prado, Director of the Council and TNC Division at the World Trade Organization: The Need for Flexibility and Pragmatism in International Economic Law.
- Prof. Ioannis Mourmouras, Deputy Governor of the Central Bank of Greece: Some reflections on pos-globalizations and Trump's trade war.

Venue: EUC Auditoria and classrooms

Date: 13-14 April 2018

The 7th Conference of the Postgraduate and Early Professionals/ Academics Network of the Society of International Economic Law (PEPA/SIEL) organised by PEPA/SIEL in collaboration with the Law School of European University Cyprus, took place on 13-14 April 2018 in Nicosia, Cyprus.

This conference constitutes a unique and established platform which grants early academics (students enrolled in Master or Ph.D. programmes) and early professionals/academics (generally within five years of graduating) studying or working in the field of IEL, the opportunity to demonstrate and receive valuable feedback on their ideas and research about broader issues relating to International Economic Law (IEL). SIEL's Postgraduate and Early Professionals/Academics Network (PEPA/SIEL) aims to, inter alia, foster collaboration and mentoring opportunities for emerging academics and professionals, by granting to the latter the opportunity to not only present and discuss their research in a supportive and welcoming environment, but most importantly the opportunity to receive fruitful feedback from experienced academics and professionals, as well as experts in the field.

The organizers invited submissions on any IEL topic including, but not limited to:

- Law and practice in international economic governance and international organizations;
- International trade, investment, competition, monetary and financial law;
- The interaction of IEL branches with other branches of law governing intellectual property, human rights, environment, sustainable development, food safety;
- Bilateral and regional economic integration and the multilateral trading system;
- Comparative economic law, focusing on how international economic law interacts with laws, institutions and actors at the domestic level;
- International economics, philosophy, sociology, politics.
- International developments and economic law, which may inter alia, refer to Brexit, the OECD-led tax Initiatives international financial regulation, cryptocurrencies and monetary affairs.

The conference was attended by over 200 = participants from all over the world, including distinguished professors and professionals, who participated in heated debates on International Economic Law issues. In particular, 173 participants from Greece and abroad and 81 from Cyprus participated in the conference.

The conference was attended by 53 young academics from around the world, including, for example, Universities in New Zealand, Canada, Brazil, India, Colombia, China and, of course, many universities in Europe. These academics were selected by double blind selection from teachers and members of the board of the SIEL PEPA (double blind peer-review) from over 150 extracts sent to the conference.

As part of the presentations, these academics had the opportunity to accept constructive comments from 20 prominent professors from Europe and America, as well as from the public. The themes of the presentations were extremely topical and interesting, monopolizing the interest of the audience who were actively involved. Indicatively, some of the issues included:

- Bitcoins and legal issues
- ICOS
- Europe's trade war with America
- Signing of an EU-Australia and New Zealand Trade Agreement
- Legal Issues of Using the Cloud
- Transparency in governance

Educational Visit at the Customs and Excise Department

Organization: School of Law, EUC

Coordinator(s): Charalampos Stamelos, Scientific Collaborator, School of Law, EUC

Speaker(s): Customs and Excise Department officials and officers

Venue: Customs and Excise Department

Date: Tuesday 24 April 2018

On Tuesday 24 April 2018, students of the Law School of the EUC led by the Scientific Collaborator, Charalampos Stamelos, paid an official visit to the Headquarters of the Customs and Excise Department in the framework of the course "International Economic Law", at the Main Building of the Ministry of Finance. During this official visit, the Head of the Customs and Excise Department was present, Mr. Dimitrios Hatzikostis while speeches were also addressed bynMs. Stella Dimitriadou, Customs Officer A', specialized in Education and in International Relations, and Ms. Eirini Papantoniou, Customs Officer A', specialized in Issues of Antidumping.

Ms. Dimitriadou in her presentation emphasized the importance of the Customs for the good and lawful operation of trade and commerce, whilst Ms. Papantoniou analysed in details and with strong evidence the procedure of imposing antidumping duties and fees on companies. She also replied to all the questions of the law students in a scientific analytic and useful debate, both theoretical and with practical aspects.

Mr. Charalampos Stamelos thanked all the officials on behalf of Professor K. Tsimaras, Dean of the Law School of the EUC, for the reception, the perfect hosting, and the interesting speeches, which indeed operated as experiential learning with added value for the legal studies and with the benefit of extra knowledge for the students. Hewished a good and constant success to the already successful operation of the Customs and Excise Department, and it was agreed to maintain communication for future meetings and events. After the end of the meeting, photos were taken.

■ Public lecture: Notary divorce: Recent legislation and emerging issues

Organization: School of Law, European University Cyprus

Coordinator(s):Evripides Rizos

Speaker(s): Kalliroi Pantelidou, Professor, School of Law, Democritean University of Thrace, Greece

Venue: AUA, European University Cyprus

Date: Thursday 26 April 2018

The lecture by Prof. Pantelidou presented the recent legislative measures in Greece with respect to the notary divorce and discussed all the potential issues that emerge from the aforementioned legislation.

■ Public lecture: The future of the legal profession in Greece

Organization: School of Law, EUC Coordinator(s): Konstantinos Tsimaras

Speaker(s): Dimitris Vervessos, the President of the Bar Association of Athens

Venue: EUC - AUD

Date: Wednesday, 2 May 2018

On Wednesday, 2 May 2018, at 18.00, at EUC - AUD, Dimitris Vervessos, the President of the Bar Association of Athens addressed a speech tititled: The future of the legal profession in Greece.

Dim. Vervessos is the newly elected president of the Hellenic Bar Association, the largest scientific association in Greece. He assumed his duties at the beginning of 2018, and this was the first time that the president of the largest law association in Greece visited the Law School of European University Cyprus and addressed the students. This speech is part of the actions of the EUC to bring to its students' prominent professionals and chairmen of scientific associations in an attempt to offer more knowledge to its students and to broaden their knowledge. For the EUC, first-hand teaching is an important part of the educational effort.

Moot court trial: "The terrorist's mother"

Organization: School of Law, European University Cyprus

Coordinator(s): Philippe Jougleux, Christiana Markou, Margarita Papantoniou

Speaker(s): Mr. Michalis Loizou, Lawyer/Legal Officer at the Court of Justice of the European Union

Venue: Cultural Center, EUC Date: Wednesday 2 May 2018

This moot court focused on realism and offered the student the opportunity to feel the pressure and the challenges of real-life trials. Students volunteered to play the role of witnesses and of the accused, while two teams of three students had to interrogate them and to present the case. The jury was formed by Cypriot eminent jurists and lawyers. The case was related to contemporary issues such as the fight against terrorism, criminal law and national security.

Half-day Conference: European Labour Law: Current issues and impact on Cyprus Labour Law

Organization: School of Law, European University Cyprus

Coordinator(s): Matina Yannakourou, Assistant Professor at the School of Law of European University Cyprus Speaker(s):

- Dimitris Zerdelis, Professor of Law, School of Law, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki
- Polyvios G. Polyviou, Attorney-at-Law, Managing Partner at Chryssafinis & Polyviou LLC

Venue: Cultural Center, EUC Date: Thursday 3 May 2018

European Union Labour Law has had an increasingly sound impact on the reshaping and development of national labour laws - including Greek and Cypriot ones - most particular in areas such as the transfer of undertakings, collective redundancies, and temporary agency work. The Conference aimed to trace the most important developments in these areas and to explain, with the use of case-law examples, how drastically EU law has influenced the basic legal concepts and tools of Cyprus Labor Law, such as the concepts of employer, employee, undertaking, collective dismissal etc.

Public Lecture: 1989-2018: Contribution of the jurisprudence of the General Court of the EU for the establishment of the rule of law

Organization: School of Law, European University Cyprus

Coordinator(s): Antigoni Alexandropoulou Assistant Professor at the Law School of European University Cyprus

Speaker(s): Dr. Savvas Papasavvas, Judge at the General Court of the EU, President of the 5th Chamber

Venue: AUD, EUC Date: Friday 4 May 2018

As part of the "Commercial Law" course and the "Competition Law" course, Judge Papasavvas was invited to present to the students of the composition and operation of the General Court of the EU for the establishment of the rule of Law.

Skype seminar: "Secure web surfing and understanding the responsibilities and work of the Cyber Crime Unit"

Organization: European University Cyprus

Coordinator(s): George Chloupis, Scientific Collaborator

Speaker(s): The commissioner of the Cyber Crime Unit and other officers

Venue: Room 112 Date: 7 May 2018

The students of the Criminology course (LAW 323) attended on 7 May 2018, a SKYPE informative seminar of the Cyber Crime Unit on safe web surfing and familiarity with the competencies and the work of the Unit.

Book presentation: "The University of the Future and its Link to the Labor Market"

Organization: European University Cyprus and the Chambers of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace

Coordinator(s): Evripides Stylianides, EUC

Venue: Hall of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Rodopi, 2, G.Georgiou Street, Komotini

Date: Friday, 11 May 2018 Speaker(s): Opening remarks

- Mr. Aggelidis, President of the Rodopi Chamber of Industry and Commerce
- Mr. G. Petrides, Mayor of Komotini
- Mr Christos Metios, Regional Governor of Eastern Macedonia and Thrace
- Mr. Konstantinos Michalos, President of the Central Union of Chambers of Greece
- Dr. Emmanouil Béteniotis, Vice-President of the European University Cyprus Council
- Mr. A. Gravanis, President of Professional and Craft Industry of the Chamber of Rodopi
- Ms Ioanna Chatziantoniou, President of the Rodopi Bar Association

Speeches - Speaker(s)s:

- Struggles and Prospects of the Greek State University. Dr. Michalis D. Chrysomalis, Associate Professor of the Law Department of the Democritus University Thrace, Director of Postgraduate Programs
- The Private University of the Future and the Labor Market. Professor Kostas Gouliamos, Rector of the European University Cyprus
- Legal Studies in the Greek-speaking Area. Dr. Konstantinos Tsimaras, Associate Professor and Dean of the Law School, European University Cyprus
- Mixed University: An Intelligent Solution to exceed Article 16 of the Greek Constitution. Dr. Euripides St. Stylianidis, Assistant Professor, School of Law School, European University Cyprus, former Minister of Education and Religious Affairs of Greece

The purpose of the conference was the exchange of opinions concerning the future of the University in the 21st century under the new challenges of globalizations, digitalization, global economy etc.

Conference: Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure

Organization: EUC

Coordinator(s): Christos Satlanis, Professor, School of Law, EUC

Venue: Cultural Center, EUC Date: Saturday 12 May 2018

Speaker(s):

Chairpersons: 1st session: Xeni Dimitriou - Vassilopoulou, Attorney at Supreme Civil and Criminal Court of Greece, 2nd Session: Lambros Margaritis, Professor of Law at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki

Opening Speeches:

Professor Kostas Gouliamos, Rector European University Cyprus

Assistant Professor Konstantinos Tsimaras, Dean, School of Law, European University Cyprus

Speaker(s): 1st session

- Costas Clerides, Attorney General of the Supreme Court of Cyprus: Role and Powers of the Attorney General in the Republic of Cyprus in criminal matters.
- Xeni Dimitriou Vassilopoulou, Attorney at the Supreme Civil and Criminal Court of Greece: Family: Parents and Children Relationship
- Lambros Margaritis, Professor of Law at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki: Penalty issues in contemporary jurisprudence in criminal law.
- Michalis Christodoulou, Judge at the Supreme Court of Cyprus: The criminal trial in Cyprus.
- Elizabeth Symeonidou Kastanidou, Professor at the Law School of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki: Criminal law for the treatment of mental patients: past and present.
- Stefanos Pavlou, Professor of the Law School of the Democritus University of Thrace: Participation in confrontation, confluence of participation and multiple participation in the same act.
- Adam Papadamakis, Professor at the Law School of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki: Procedural Invalidity of the Audience.

Speaker(s): 2nd session

- Angelos Konstantinidis, Professor of Law School of Democritus University of Thrace: Medical criminal responsibility.
- Maria Kaiafa Gwanti, Professor at the Law School of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki: Jurisdiction of the High-Level Court on Criminal Matters: Protection of Fundamental Rights in EU Law and its Importance to the National Applicant of Law
- Leonidas Kotsalis, Emeritus Professor at the Law School of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens: Penalty as a central issue in modern Criminal Law.
- Georgios Stamatogiannis, President of the Piraeus Law Firm: The Legal Assistance in Criminal Proceedings.
- Konstantinos Hadjiioannou, Lawyer Doctor of the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki: The declaration of guilt by the Areios Pagos.
- Christos Satlanis, Professor of Law, European University Cyprus: Protected witnesses: legitimate or unfair evidence in the criminal proceedings?

Academic conference: Law of War, State Sovereignty in International Law and Geopolitical Developments in Cyprus

Organization: Dr. Iacovos Kareklas, Associate Professor, EUC

Coordinator(s): Dr. Iacovos Kareklas

Venue: AUB, EUC

Date: Monday 14 May 2018

Speaker(s):

- Introduction - Welcome: Dr. Iakovos Kareklas, Associate Professor of International Law and Philosophy of Law, Law School of the European University Cyprus, Fellow of the Law School of the University of Oxford. 10: 10-10: 30

ADDRESSES:

- -Andreas Efstathiou, European University Cyprus, Vice Rector of Research and External Relation
- Dimitris Syllouris, Chairman of the Parliament of the Republic of Cyprus, Summary of the honorable Speaker(s) Mr Syllouris of the monograph by Dr. Iacovos Kareklas, War Theory of Law (Athens: EDITIONS pouch 2018)
- 50 Introduction and presentation of Volumes II (State Sovereignty in International Law) and III (Law of War) of the Scientific Series of International Law and International Politics Studies (Athens: PUBLICATIONS Sakkoula, 2018) by Dr Anastasia Samara-Krispis, President of the Foundation for International Legal Studies Professor Elias Krispis and Dr. Anastasia Samara-Krispis

FIRST SESSION: State Sovereignty and Law of War: Special Aspects

Chairperson: Anastasia Samaras-Krispi

- Antonis Bredimas, Emeritus Professor of International Law at the Law School of the University of Athens, National sovereignty in the field of international economic relations between formal respect and its substantive partiality
- lakovos Kareklas, International Justice and State Sovereignty: the case of the so-called "Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus"
- Dr. Christos Clerides, President of the Frederick Law School, lawyer, The violation of the Law of Armed Conflict by Turkey through the transnational appeals Cyprus v. Turkey before the ECtHR

DEBATE

SECOND SESSION: Law of the Armed Conflict, Law of the Sea and Globalism

Chairperson: lakovos Kareklas

- 35 Harris Karabarbounis, Honorable Ambassador, Modern Challenges Against State Dominance Globality, Globalization and Global Governance
- Dr. Emmanuel Gounaris, Ambassador, Counselor of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Hellenic Republic, Exercise and abuse of sovereignty and sovereignty in maritime zones, under the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea
- Stylianos Politis, Vice Admiral, Applying International Law to Marine Operations

DEBATE

CONCLUSIONS: Dr. lakovos Kareklas

The purpose of the conference was to discuss with renowned academics and diplomats' current issues on the Law of War, State Sovereignty in International Law and Geopolitical Developments in Cyprus. Dr Kareklas has also presented to the audience his recent monographies:

- War Theory of Law (Athens: EDITIONS pouch 2018) and
- Volumes II (State Sovereignty in International Law) and III (Law of War) of the Scientific Series of International Law and International Politics Studies (Athens: PUBLICATIONS Sakkoula, 2018)

Book presentation: «General Directive on the Protection of Personal Data - Legal Dimension and Practical Application»

Organization: School of Law - EUC, Νομική Βιβλιοθήκη

Coordinator(s): Prof. Leonidas Kotsalis and Mr Konstantinos Menoudakos

Venue: AUD, EUC Date: 16 May 2018 Speaker(s):

- Filippos Middleton, former Head of Auditor's Department, APADS, Attorney at Law: "Main features of GDPR (General Regulation on Personal Data Protection)
- Irene Loizidou Nikolaidou, Commissioner for Personal Data Protection: "Personal Data Protection and the new General Regulation in Cyprus"
- Dr. Konstantinos Tsimaras, Dean, School of Law, EUC:"Protection of personal data from the aspect of constitutional law"
- Paschos Mandravelis, Journalist, at "Kathimerini" newspaper, "Journalism and Personal Data Protection

The purpose of the conference was to present the new directive of the EU on GDPR and to investigate the implementation of the directive in Greece and Cyprus.

Public event: "Legal Studies and Perspectives of the Legal Profession"

Organization: School of Law, EUC

Coordinator(s): Dr. Konstantinos Tsimaras, Dean, School of Law – EUC

Venue: Hotel Grand Bretagne, Athens, Greece

Date: Monday 21 May 2018

Speaker(s):

- Mr. Kostas Mavrias, President of the Scientific Council of the Hellenic Parliament, Emeritus Professor of Constitutional Law, Law School of the University of Athens
- Mr. Dimitris Verversos, President of the Athens Bar Association, President of the Plenary of the Presidents of the Bar Associations of Greece
- Mr. Stelios Manoussakis, Attorney-at-Law, former President of the Piraeus Bar Association
- Leonidas Kotsalis, Emeritus Professor of Criminal Law at the Law School of the University of Athens
- Mr. Dimitrios Rikos, President of the Administrative Court of Appeal, 1st Vice-President of the UN Court of First Instance The European University Cyprus School of Law organized an event in Athens, on Monday 21May 2018, at 7:00 pm, at the Hotel "Grande Bretagne" (Syntagma) in order to discuss the future of legal studies in Greek law in relation to the future of the legal profession in the Greek market, especially under the recent economic crisis in Greece.

Educational Visit at the Nicosia Assize Court – Observing a criminal trial

Organization: School of Law, EUC Coordinator(s): Thalia Prastitou Merdi

Speaker(s): Judge Elena Efrem (President of Nicosia District Court)

Venue: Nicosia Assize Court Date: 26 & 27 April 2018

The students of unit LLB130 (Cyprus Lawyer's Legislation and Code of Conduct), divided in two groups, had the opportunity to observe a criminal trial in Nicosia Assize Court in April 2018 aiming to understand and focus in practice on the role of a lawyer in court. On both days before the trial, the president of the Nicosia District Court Judge Elena Efrem introduced the students to the case, explained in practice the procedure and gladly answered all their interesting questions.

 Public Lecture: European legislative framework for the protection of the environment and its importance for a smooth transition to a circular economy

Organization: School of Law, EUC, Open University Cyprus, Office of the Commissioner of Environment in Cyprus Coordinator(s): Dr. Thalia Prastitou Merdi, Lecturer, School of Law, EUC & Dr Alexandros Tsadiras, Associate Professor, School of Law, EUC

Speaker(s): Mrs. Ioanna Panayiotou, Environmental Commissioner for the Republic of Cyprus

Participants: School of Law students

Venue: Room 208, EUC Date: 13 December 2017

During this lecture, Mrs. Panayiotou after elaborating on the idea and meaning of circular economy in general focused on the importance of having a clear legislative framework regarding environmental law, at EU level, for establishing a smooth transition from a linear to a circular economy.















8.1. Student Distinctions and Achievements

8.1.1. School of Humanities, Social and Education Sciences

Competition: Poster Design to promote the Higher Education in Cyprus

Organisation: Ministry of Education and Culture Cyprus

Coordinator: Yianna Christophorou

Date: Fall 2017-18

In this open call for competition, students were asked to design posters to promote Higher Education in Cyprus. The following students from the Graphic Design Program of EUC were nominated by the Minister of Education for their work:

- 1. Valentin Scriban
- 2. Andreas Vasiliou
- 3. Yiannis Ioannou
- 4. Theodoros Christodoulides
- 5. Stelios Papageorgiou
- 6. Christos Symeonides

8.1.2. School of Law

Law school graduate ranked among the three first graduates in the Bar Association licence to practice exams.

The graduate student of Law School, Stavros Zoumpoulidis, scored (20 April 2018) among the three first in the examinations for the license to practice as a lawyer of the Athens Bar Association, with a high score of 9.46 / 10.

8.1.3. School of Business

Competition organized by European University Cyprus in cooperation with the Central Bank of Cyprus

Mr. Andreas Malliapis and Mr. Xrysovalantis Georgiou of the Department of Accounting, Finance and Economics of European University Cyprus were the two winners of a joint competition with the Central Bank of Cyprus. As a prize, Andreas and Xrysovalantis will be employed by the Central Bank for 6 months. The competition was unique for the University and it was open to all graduates who were in the programmes offered by the department (Accounting, Economics and Finance).

■ The CISI European Educational Trust Award

Ms. Gan Qian, a European University Cyprus student was awarded with The CISI European Educational Trust Award following a competition, which took place on 2 May 2018 at EUC. The competition topic was: What is MiFID II? Who gains and who loses from its introduction? Ms. Gan Qian was also selected by CISI UK and CISI Educational Trust Members to be the 2018 overall European winner, securing a one-week placement in London, fully paid. Part of the Cyprus Jury was Mr. Emilios Tannousis, Member of the CISI National Council of Cyprus, Head Institutional Wealth Management at Bank of Cyprus, Dr. Simona Mihai-Yiannaki, Deputy Dean School of Business Administration at European University Cyprus, and Dr. Alexios Kythreotis, Acting Chair Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance, European University Cyprus. The Award Ceremony took place on the evening of 10 May at European University Cyprus, and the Certification Award was presented by Mr. Petros Florides, CISI Cyprus President, and Dr. Simona Mihai-Yiannaki, Deputy Dean School of Business Administration.

■ The Cyprus Tourism Organization Awards Our Distinguished Graduates

On 8 July 2018, Ms. Lo Turco Beatrice and Ms. Nathena Argyro, graduates with the highest G.P.A. for the Hotel, Tourism and Event Management program, received an award from the Cyprus Tourism Organization for outstanding performance.

Internships

- Two students of the Department of Accounting, Finance and Economics were selected through a Pancyprian competition of the ACCA (Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) as paid interns for the summer of 2018 in one of the largest audit firms of the island.
- During the past academic year, we had a record placement of our students as interns in audit firms, banks and regulatory institutions. Internships include placements at PWC, Central Bank of Cyprus, EY, Baker Tilly, Housing Finance Corporation, MTN and many other companies.
- Ms. Gan Qian was also selected by CISI UK and CISI Educational Trust Members to be the 2018 overall European winner of the CISI European Educational Trust Award, securing a one-week fully paid placement in London.

8.1.4. School of Sciences

E-Poster Presentation

Master in Public Health program / Dr Demetris Lamnisos, Associate Professor, Coordinator of Master in Public Health program

Student: Zisis Serafim

Topic: BioNat-5_Accpetance letter_E-poster

Date: 22 October 2017

The chairman of the Fifth Euro-Mediterranean conference of Natural Products, Pharma and Complementary Medicine (BioNat-5) scheduled on 1-3 March 2018 at Limassol, Cyprus, confirmed that the abstract of student Zisis Serafim titled "Effect of Arum Maculatum on the quality of life of patients: A randomized trial to control hemorrhoids" has been accepted for an E-Poster Presentation.

Publication of student's articles:

MSc in Sports Physiotherapy / Dr Demetris Stasinopoulos, Associate Professor, Chair of the Department of Health Sciences, Coordinator of the MSc in Sports Physiotherapy

Our former student of the MSc in Sports Physiotherapy program, Marilena Demosthenous, has achieved the publication of her articles (6 November 2017):

"Comparison of the Effectiveness of Excentric - Concentric Training with Supinator Strengthening in Healthy Population" in the International Scientific Journal of Orthopedic Research and Physiotherapy. Dr. Stasinopoulos Dimitrios and Dr. Lamnisos Dimitrios have helped in the creation of the article.

"Comparison of the Effectiveness of Eccentric - Concentric Training of Wrist Extensors and Eccentric - Concentric Training Combined with Supinator Strengthening in Healthy Population" in the International Scientific Journal of Orthopedic Research and Physiotherapy. Dr. Stasinopoulos Dimitrios and Dr. Lamnisos Dimitrios have helped in the creation of the article.

11th European Conference on Public Health – students' papers:

 $Dr\ Demetris\ Lamnisos, Associate\ Professor, Coordinator\ of\ Master\ in\ Public\ Health\ program.$

The postgraduate program of Public Health of the European University Cyprus participated in the 11th European Conference on Public Health, which was held in Stockholm, Sweden (21 November 2017), with the following papers that elaborated in the course of postgraduate work:

-'A small-area analysis of health inequalities across the geodemographic area classification in Cyprus', https://doi. org/10.1093/eurpub/ckx189.153

Nikoletta Kyprianou, Demetris Lamnisos, Giagkos Lavranos, Nikos Mitletton

-'Antimicrobial resistance in patients with urinary tract infection in a healthcare facility in Greece', https://doi.org/10.1093/eurpub/ckx189.046

Anna Demetrokali, Demetris Lamnisos, Georgios Nikolopoulos

- 'A small-area validation of deprivation using 2011 census data from Cyprus', https://doi.org/10.1093/eurpub/ckx186.087 Galatia Lamprianidou, Demetris Lamnisos, Giagkos Lavranos, Nikos Mitletton
- 'Use of health education campaigns to promote HPV vaccination in teenagers', https://doi.org/10.1093/eurpub/ckx186.302 Panayiota Vassou & Giagkos Lavranos
- -'Long term efficacy of health promotion to improve STD awareness in adolescents', https://doi.org/10.1093/eurpub/ckx186.303

Panayiota Vassou & Giagkos Lavranos

The summaries of the above articles have been published in European Journal of Public Health (IF=2.43).

Publication of student's article:

MSc in Sports Physiotherapy / Dr Demetris Stasinopoulos, Associate Professor, Chair of the Department of Health Sciences, Coordinator of the MSc in Sports Physiotherapy

Our student of the Postgraduate Program of Sports Physiotherapy, Mr Menelaos Koustrava, achieved publication of his article titled "Socioeconomic factors for predicting the level of physical activity of young Thessalonikion" (11 January 2018) in the Journal of Interdisciplinary Health Care. The author of the postgraduate dissertation of Menelaos Koustrava, Dr Zacharias Dimitriadis, Associate Professor, Program Coordinator Dr. Dimitris Stasinopoulos and Physiotherapy Professors of the TEI of Greece, Strimpakos Nikolaos and Kapreli Eleni, have helped in the creation of the article.

Publication of student's article

MSc in Sports Physiotherapy / Dr Demetris Stasinopoulos, Associate Professor, Chair of the Department of Health Sciences, Coordinator of the MSc in Sports Physiotherapy

The following students have achieved their articles to be published (2 May 2018) as follows:

- loannou A., Stasinopoulos D. (2018) Dry needling and neuromuscular exercises in the management of chronic ankle instability. A case study. Biology of exercise 14(1): 41-48
- Nicolaou E., Stasinopoulos D., Lamnisos D. (2018) Treatment of chronic patellar tendinopathy using an exercise program consisting of eccentric training and static stretching exercises combined with high intensity light therapy. A pilot study MOJ Orthop Rheumatol. 10(2):157 161

PhD students' achievements:

Master in Public Health program / Dr Giagkos Lavranos, Assistant Professor, Coordinator of PhD in Public Health program (June 6, 2018)

The doctoral student Andreas Polinikis obtained a very high score (5.2) and his work was accepted for oral communication at the Pan-European Public Health Conference and the European Journal of Public Health (IF 2.431)

PhD student Athanasios Athanassiou gained a very high score, with the result that his work was accepted for a lecture at the Young Scientist Forum of the ETS Pan-European Conference and in the journal Reproductive Toxicology (IF 2,341)

PhD student Chrysostomos Chrysostomou collected very high scores, resulting in two papers being accepted for oral and postponed announcement at the Pan-European Public Health Conference and the European Journal of Public Health (IF 2.431)

8.2. Student events / Student life / Career

8.2.1. School of Law

ELSA DAY event

Organization: ELSA, EUC Coordinator(s): ELSA

Participants:

- Mrs. Alexia Solomou, President of the International Law Association,
- Mrs. Stamatina Yannakourou, Assistant Professor, School of Law, European University Cyprus,
- Mrs. Yolanda Vasopoulou, Head of the Political Analysis and Petitions Policy Group with Citizens
- Euripides Rizos, Assistant Professor, School of Law, European University Cyprus
- Mr. Panagiotis Rougalas, Journalist in the Economic Unit of the Journal "Kathimerini Cyprus"

Venue: Amphitheatre D - EUC

Date: 29 November 2017

On 29 November 2017, the ELSA DAY event took place under the auspices of the ELSA European University of Cyprus at European University Cyprus. ELSA is the largest, independent, non-political association of law students and young lawyers across Europe. By participating in this association, law students and young lawyers acquire international training and improve their professional skills by being involved in various actions both at local and national level, as well as in events bringing together various speakers from the globe.

The purpose of this event was to familiarise students with current legal issues of European interest that have a broader social and economic dimension. In this context, the following topics were presented: "Artificial Intelligence and Human Rights in the 21st Century" by Alexia Solomou; "Labor and Social Security Issues of Immigrants" by Dr. Stamatina Yannakourou; "Immigration and the European Union" by Yolanda Vlasopoulou; "Legal Regulation of Bitcoin" by Dr. Evripides Rizos; and "Digital money is now an acceptable reality" by Panayiotis Rougalas. The speeches were followed by a vivid discussion with the audience who actively participated in the event.

■ Career event: 2nd Annual "Law Career Day"

Organization: The Hellenic Students Association of the European University of Cyprus "Haris Kalaitzidis" Speaker(s):

- Mr. Vriniotis Christos, Judge of Areios Pagos
- Mr. Charalampakis Aristotle, Professor of Criminal Law, Democritus University of Thrace, Athens Attorney
- Mr. Rouskas Georgios, President of the Notary Association of Athens, Athens Notary

Venue: ALPHA Amphitheater, European University of Cyprus

Date: Saturday 19 May 2018

Our Hellenic Students Association in collaboration with the EUC Career Center organized a law career day for the students to be informed of the career prospects of their profession from law practitioners (notaries, lawyers) and academics.

ELSA Seminar on European Competition Law

Organization: ELSA, EUC Law School Coordinator(s): ELSA, EUC Law School

Participants: Law Students from various European countries

Venue: EUC

Date: 22-29 June 2018

Various lectures were given to about 60 law students from various European countries. Charalampos Stamelos, Scientific Collaborator of EUC Law School, gave two lectures in English on 28 and 29 June 2018. The first lecture was on private enforcement of EU, Cypriot and Greek competition law based on the new Directive and its implementation in Cyprus and Greece (he also mentioned other countries' implementation measures, such as the UK, France, Germany, Italy, Belgium, and the Netherlands). The second lecture was about EU and US Competition Law, the International Agreements on Competition and how the Competition Commissions apply the rules. The students asked interesting questions and a useful debate took place as Charalampos Stamelos encouraged the students and replied accordingly.

Publication of the quarterly legal student journal ENTHA

In the Issue of 2018, an article of Scientific Collaborator Charalampos Stamelos was published under the title: "The legal regime of air transport in Cyprus" in the English language.

8.2.2. School of Business

ACA Commercial Awareness Workshop

Organizers: European University Cyprus Career Center in association with the School of Business Administration - Department of Accounting and Finance, and the Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales

Date: 04 October 2017

On 4 October 2017, the European University Cyprus Career Center in association with the School of Business Administration - Department of Accounting and Finance, and the Institute of Chartered Accountants of England and Wales organized a lecture on "ICAEW - The Importance of Commercial Awareness".

The speakers, Jacqueline Grisdale, Student Marketing Manager, UK region, and Mrs. Christina Diola, Members & Stakeholders Manager, presented the employment options in the financial sector. Emphasis was placed on how today, more than ever, young people need to form a portfolio of employment options, stressing the opportunities that open up with the worldwide-recognized ACA professional qualification. Besides knowledge of finance, taxation and financial control, graduates need to have a solid awareness of the business environment. The students worked in groups to understand the business scope of the Adidas International Organization and analyzed the issues and challenges faced in this business.

Mass integration of EUC Accounting Students at the ACCA Accelerator Scheme

The EUC, as partners in learning with the ACCA, (Association of Chartered Certified Accountants) participated in the Accelerator Scheme, offered by the ACCA. This allows EUC students to become ACCA student members by registering through this Accelerator scheme early on in their studies. This includes a discount on exempted courses, lower initial registration fee, free student subscription, enabling students to access the ACCA website and all ACCA resources and to use the letters "Student ACCA member" after their names. The scheme was a great success with over 50 students registering at three registration events, which took place on the 12-14 March 2018.

ICAEW Presentation

Organizers: European University Cyprus and ICAEW

Venue: EUC

Date: 16 March 2018

On 16 March 2018, the ICAEW (ACA) Presentation event took place at European University Cyprus, where over 50 students attended and posed questions to ICAEW representatives following their presentation. The excellent cooperation between ICAEW and the Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance of the EUC is evident in the fact that the EUC is the only university in Cyprus to which the ACA awards the maximum number of exemptions (i.e. 12 exemptions).

EUC-PEAK Boot-Camp Training

Organizer: School of Business Administration

Event Coordinator: Dr. Simona Mihai

Venue: EUC

Date: 11-16 June 2018

The EUC-PEAK Boot-Camp Training and event took place at the EUC between 11-16 June 2018. The event was coordinated by Dr. Simona Mihai-Yiannaki of the Department of Accounting, Economics and Finance. The boot camp's young participants benefited from a state-of-the-art training in entrepreneurship by successful entrepreneurs and faculty of the School of Business Administration. The event concluded on 16 June with a pitching competition at the Microsoft Innovation Center, with awarded prizes worth €2000. Over the course of the five-day event, there were over 200 students participating, with events broadcasted live on media platforms with over 3,300 views.

8.2.3. Office of Student Affairs

European University Cyprus participated in the Relay Race of Love-Radiomarathonios 2017

As part of the fundraising campaigns for the Radiomarathonios 2017, members of the Pericles Demetriou Association of Cyprus Runners, during their relay race, made a stop at European University Cyprus were they addressed the students. Members of the European University Cyprus management handed a donation to the head of the Association for the philanthropic cause.

Spring Festival

The Spring Festival was organized to celebrate the end of the Spring and the coming of the Summer, as well as to help students relax before the final exams. The program included free international food and drinks, music by a DJ, live traditional Cretan Music and Dances, as well as other traditional presentations from the African Student Association and the EUC Dance Club. Additionally, all students had the chance to see and buy traditional African crafts and clothes and last but not least to try traditional African hairstyles and face painting.

Shooting Club Training Day

The EUC Shooting Club organized a shooting training day at the Nicosia Olympic Shooting Center, where professional trainers trained the members of the Club at different types of Shooting. One of the trainers was our very own student Constantina Nicolaou, studying Physical Education and Sports Sciences. Constantina is a member of the National Cyprus Shooting Federation.

ASAAN 2018

The EUC African Student Association organized the African Student Association Awards Night 2018 where they recognized and awarded students of the African Society for their performance. Among other categories, students received awards for the highest GPA of each school, for Special Contribution etc. After the awards ceremony, the Association presented a rich program with live music, dances, drama and tributes. Traditional African food and sweets prepared by the students was offered to everyone. Finally, the night ended with an African Dj program that brought all the attendants and performers of the event to the stage, dancing and having fun until late hours.

Physiotherapy Club Social Action "I take care of myself - I am exercising"

The Physiotherapy Program and the Physiotherapy Club of our University in collaboration with the St. Maron Primary School, has been implementing a social action program for children of ages 6-12. The program runs for two years. In the first year, the content of the action was to demonstrate exercises during the course in "activity breaks", and to teach ergonomics to students. During the first year, school teachers were trained by a Clinical Trainer of European University Cyprus to perform the exercises during the classes, while every Friday, a group of students, under the supervision of the clinical trainer, performed for the students with the aim of proper limb training and trunk through children's games. In addition, a questionnaire was prepared to assess the important aspects of exercise. The action ended with a Conference organized by

the Physiotherapy Program and the Physiotherapy Club. The results of the action were presented, as well as a workshop on the topic of: "The importance of exercise, ergonomics and nutrition". The subject for the first year was defined as "I take care of myself - exercise - nutrition – ergonomics". During the second year, which is the current academic year, an introduction of "activity breaks" took place, while the involvement of the students continued, but with emphasis on sports. Every Friday, exercises at the school's premises focusing on coordination and stamina were executed. The title theme of the second year was: "I take care of myself - I am exercising".

The action ended with the Soccer Tournament in the Athletics' Center of European University Cyprus, which was attended by adults and children. The tournament was supported by the PanCyprian Football Association, Murphy's Pub and Symbols Bar.

Seminar "Dependence in substances –A presentation by former users/addicts and officers of Agia Skepi"

During the seminar, a psychologist of Agia Skepi Treatment Center delivered a presentation about the center and showed a thirty-minute documentary in which all the work of Agia Skepi was presented. The participants of this seminar also had the opportunity to listen to the real life stories of two former users of substances. In this way, students really understood what dependency is, in real-life terms, what thea consequences are for both the addicts and the family and what is the role of the psychologist in such cases. Finally, through a constructive discussion, important questions were raised and discussed. The seminar contributed in raising awareness on the issue of dependence on illegal substances.

Psychology Club Workshop "Introduction to the empty chair technique"

The speaker of the workshop, Mr. Stathis Lazaris, psychologist and physical psychotherapist, with 28 years of experience, offered the opportunity to participants to receive a basic education on the empty chair technique as a tool for physically focused Gestalt therapy. A volunteer from the public participated in the experiment, thus the technique was applied. At the same time, the participants were given the opportunity to be divided into groups of two and through a brief and supervised practical application, to experience the role of the therapist. Finally, a constructive discussion of the issues emerged.

■ Workshop titled "Introduction to Lacanian Psychoanalysis"

The workshop has been organized in collaboration with Lacanian psychoanalysts and members of the "International Federation of ecole de psychanalyse des forums du champ Lacanien". Everyone who participated in this seminar was given the opportunity to learn basic principles and concepts of Lacanian Psychoanalysis, such as "the birth of the subject", "the father's name" and "the sexual subject" through the reading and analysis of texts. It was considered a special experience for all those involved as they were introduced to the language of symbolism.

Seminar "Dementia and Music"

All participants of this seminar given by Dr. Elenitsa Kitromilides, a Professor of Neuropsychology / Cognitive Psychology, had the opportunity to understand what dementia is, and how music enhances brain activity and helps with dementia. At the same time, through the screening of a documentary that showed the life and the difficulties faced by people with dementia, it was depicted that music seems to be an excellent way to overcome obstacles, to overpass the disease, and to communicate with those who suffer from dementia.

Seminar «Cross-Cultural Negotiation: Analysis of Theory and Practice Using Muslim/Arab-Western Case Studies»

The seminar was given by Dr. Doron Pely from the University of Southern California (USC), the Safe Communities Institute (SCI). During this seminar, students had the honor to host Dr. Pely and examine together how different cultures see and face the conflicts that arise in everyday life up to politics and wars. In this seminar it was also examined how sociological, physiological, and psychological factors affect a person's attitude when he faces a conflict in conjunction with his culture. It was an excellent opportunity to view the whole issue through a holistic and sociological approach.

Seminar on "The Ethics of DSM Diagnosis"

Mrs. Georgia Nathanael and Mr. Angelos Tsialides, Lacanian Psychoanalysts, presented in-depth issues related to DSM - a tool for diagnosing mental disorders. The contents of the tool and its use were also discussed. At the same time, issues such as the conditions, which are diagnosed through DSM, and the ethics of the diagnosis mediated, were thoroughly discussed. It was a very useful seminar for all potential mental health professionals, but also for the professionals in the field.

Seminar on "Splitting" based on Melanie Klein's theory"

The goal of this Seminar organized by the Psychology Club, was to bring all students closer to understanding the concepts of Melanie Klein's theoretical work. At the same time, several examples of therapeutic practice were particularly helpful in understanding the concepts.

Seminar "The role of the sports psychologist in Cyprus: theory and practice"

Mrs. Thalia Panagi, a psychologist specializing in sports psychology and clinical counseling gave a presentation on what sporting psychology is, what are the responsibilities of a sports psychologist and how theory is applied in practice. It was a special seminar, as athletic psychology is still a not such a broad field and the knowledge gained was very informative.

Seminar «How research and the Hearing Voices Movement changed our understanding of psychosis»

Dr. Christina Theodoulidou, a European University Cyprus professor and counseling psychologist, clarified what psychosis is, based on recent research that examines it based on the "trauma". Additionally, a very interesting reference was made for new movements such as "Hearing Voices" and their contribution to Psychology.

■ Seminar «The nature and scope of health psychology»

Through this seminar, all the participants were given the opportunity to learn about the nature and scope of Health Psychology. While the presentation included the history of Health Psychology, its principles and current applications in the health sector emphasis was given on the role that a health psychologist is called to implement. In addition, through several examples, several concepts and definitions have been better illustrated.

Seminar entitled "Postgraduate Specializations"

This seminar analyzed various possibilities and perspectives of specializations for postgraduate studies. At the same time, a great deal of information was provided on what one would need to know about the legislative framework of each country where the practical training will take place. The specific seminar was enlightening since employability was at the focus of the presentation.

■ Seminar «Where East meets West: The role of culture in explaining psychological constructs»

This seminar, focused on the differences between cultures in understanding, defining and curing various psychological disorders. At the same time, emphasis was placed on the role of the family and the taboos / prejudices of each society that lead individuals to form specific views and attitudes about mental illnesses.

Workshop "Treatment of internally Injured Children - Gestalt"

The participants had the opportunity in the first part of this seminar to learn the basic concepts of connecting with the injured inner child that each one carries. The second part of the seminar gave the opportunity to participate in an experiential group exercise. An effort to connect took place and then students discussed the experience. It was certainly a very interesting seminar especially for health professionals.

Seminar "The Transforming Power of Love through Socrates and Freud"

Through this presentation, the audience was given the opportunity to reflect on concepts such as love. The presentation and discussion that followed focused on how to understand the connection of philosophy and psychoanalysis through the prism of philosophers and psychoanalysts, about the concept of love and the enormous influence it has on our lives.

Movies Projection series of the Paychology Club and Analysis of the movies

The Psychology Club in collaboration with Dr. Eleni Petkaris organized multiple projections of a series of nine films, on topics related to psychology. After each movie, analysis of the topic took place and aspects of the film were discussed.

■ EUC MSS Charity Football Tournament

The Medical Students' Society organized a charity football tournament for the students of the Medical School. The games were organized to raise money for the Red Cross. During the tournament, the amount of €155 was collected and donated to the Red Cross Cyprus.

■ EUC MSS Charity Movie Night

The Medical Students' Society organized a charity movie nights for the students of the Medical School in order to raise money for Pasykaf Cyprus. The amount of €120 was donated to Pasykaf Cyprus. The "Cyprus Association of Cancer Patients and Friends" is a non-profit organization which aims to improve the lives of patients suffering from cancer.

Presentation of the Red Cross Cyprus for Medical Students

Red Cross Cyprus presented their mission and volunteering possibilities to the medical students. At the end of the presentation, EUC Medical Students' Society also received a certificate for donations given to the Red Cross.

EUC MSS Christmas Bazaar

The EUC Medical Students' Society organized a Christmas Bazaar to gather foodstuff, clothes and money for the Red Cross Cyprus. The amount of €205 was donated to the Red Cross along with many bags of clothed and food stuff.

EUC MSS visits and assistance to the "Cans for Kids Organization"

Members of the Medical Students' society continued their ongoing visits to the "Cans for Kids Organization" where they helped to sort and recycle used cans. The cans will be sold to raise funds for purchasing medical equipment for Makariou hospital in Nicosia.

■ EUC MSS Boat Party

Members of the Medical Students' society organized a boat party to Larnaca as an end year event before their final exams.

Lecture and Workshop: "Prevention of Focal Dystonia in Musicians, and Recent Developments in the Field of Music Medicine"

This Lecture, organized by the School of Medicine in association with the School of Sciences, Physiotherapy Program and the Music Education Club, was delivered by Dr. Christos Ioannou, a post-doctoral fellow in Germany, a Cypriot musician who is currently working in the field of music medicine. Dr. Ioannou's presentation focused on recent developments in the field of music medicine and specifically on focal dystonia in musicians. In his three-hour presentation, he did not only focus on the neuroplasticity of the brain during music learning and the prevention and cure of focal dystonia, but also on recent developments in the field of music medicine that might be of interest to both musicians and doctors alike.

European University Cyprus Graduation Ceremony

"One of the most modern, dynamic and innovative academic institutions in the region of South Eastern Europe" Dr Kostas Champiaouris, Minister of Education and Culture

The European University Cyprus Graduation Ceremony took place on 27 and 28 June 2018 in the presence of the Minister of Education and Culture, Dr Kostas Champiaouris. At the ceremonies, 656 graduate, postgraduate and doctoral degrees were awarded. Along with the titles, academic excellence awards were given to recognize high achievers and the graduates with the best academic performance of each School.

The Minister of Education and Culture, Dr Kostas Champiaouris said that "the remarkable, qualitative and rising growth of European University Cyprus, marks the University as one of the most modern, dynamic and innovative academic institutions in the region of South Eastern Europe". The University, said the Minister, which is now "in the second decade of its life, has succeeded in establishing itself in the field of Higher Education, responding to the expectations of the state and contributing greatly to the creation of the Knowledge-based Society". "In addition, the University is oriented towards academic and research excellence through its participation in a variety of research projects funded by the European Commission. It is especially honorable for our country to involve academics in research consortia with international universities".

The Rector of European University Cyprus, Professor Kostas Gouliamos, focused his speech on developing the culture and strategy for Innovation & Employability. "This is the key to our great success," the Rector said at a point in his speech and continued, stressing that "this success is reflected in international and European university rankings where European University Cyprus now has the highest innovation and employability indices across the region ". More specifically, Rector Professor Kostas Gouliamos said that European University Cyprus recently received 5 stars in employability – the only University in Cyprus that has a 5=star ranking in the field of employability - by the international organization QS TOP UNIVERSITIES.

After the end of the graduation ceremony, a reception was given at the premises of the University.

8.3. Employability

European University Cyprus Career Center Internship Program 2018

The European University Cyprus Career Center for the 20th consequent year offered students the opportunity to participate in the Internship Program and gain experience in their field of studies. Quite a lot of companies and organizations participated in the Internship Program and students were accepted, after interviews, to work in these organizations and companies. Students from the following disciplines: Graphic Design, Marketing, Business Administration, Accounting, Occupational Therapy, Computer Science and Computer Engineering participated in the Internship Program. European University Cyprus simultaneously offers multiple other academic internship programs that are integrated into the curricula.

During the program, students trained and worked in organizations relevant to their field of study. They were able to strengthen their communication skills, understand the demands of the labor market, deepen and enrich their knowledge in relation to their profession.

Some of the organizations involved in the project were: PWC, PKLE, Water Board of Nicosia, Compuagora, UMC, Cube Audit Ltd, One Digital, Masquare, Charalmabos Pilakoutas Ltd, Pancyprian Volunterrism Coordinating Council, Cyprus Refugee Council Volunteerism, Cy Digital Net, ET Capital Holdings Ltd, Lanitis C. Holding Ltd, Caritas Cyprus.

Career Center Presentations to European University Cyprus and Cyprus College students

The Career Center organized six presentations on specialized services in collaboration with the Faculty. All Career Center services include assistance in creating a CV, Interview Simulations, Job Search support, Internships placement, the Ariadne Psychometric Tool, registration on the CSM platform, the Career Day, the Career Center Blueprint and much more were discussed and analyzed in an engaging environment.

Additionally, the Career Advisor presented to the students information regarding the CV Writing process, providing them with insights about the key aspects, which attract the attention of employers.

During the presentations, students had the opportunity to learn in-depth workings of the interview process and how that may be carried out. An interview with one of the students present was simulated at the end of each presentation in order to evaluate and demonstrate the process.

CSM Promotion at European University Cafeteria

On 14 November 2017 the Career Center staff informed European University Cyprus students about the CSM platform. A large number of students visited the information booth to learn about the services of the platform and to register. Students who visited the information booth learned about the benefits of the career platform; such as access to job and internship opportunities, seminars, workshops and conferences participation, CV uploads, and mock interview recordings. Several other functions of the platform were also outlined for senior students. The introduction of the application on smart phones was very successful as well, since all new and current students download the app on their phones.

"The Psychosynthesis of the Interview" Workshop for European University Cyprus students (23 November 2017)

The European University Cyprus Career Center invited Mr. Andreas Kountouros, Human Resources Director at Cube Audit Ltd, to present to European University Cyprus students the workshop with topic "The Psychosynthesis of the Interview".

Mr. Kountouros stressed which information are important to be included in a CV, as well as how a candidate can prepare and analyze the interview process and therafter negotiation. He focused on the parameters that Human Resources Directors concentrate on and analyze in a CV. At the same time, he explained what characteristics promote candidates to be shortlisted. Mr. Kountouros analyzed the typical mistakes of an interview and underlined the importance of a CV enriched with experiences. He also pointed out that social media profiles can strengthen or decrease the employment opportunities of a candidate.

The workshop was interactive since students expressed a number of questions and received direct and honest feedback. Several workshops, seminars, field trips, Career Exhibitions and other tools are available for the students of the European University Cyprus for the successful entry of graduates to the labor market.

Ariadne Test for High School students

European University Cyprus is the sole provider of the "ARIADNE" psychometric test on employment interests in Cyprus. "ARIADNE" was adapted to the Cypriot educational / professional and social reality to be scientifically suitable for its distribution to the student population of Cyprus. It is the only test of its kind that was applied among the high school population of Cyprus, under a special permission from the Ministry of Education and Culture of Cyprus. As part of the corporate social responsibility of European University Cyprus, Ariadne is offered, free of charge, to the students of the final year of Lyceum in an effort to help them determine their employment interests and start planning their higher education options.

On 12 December 2017 the Career Center and Admissions Office of European University Cyprus held an event for High School students who wished to take the test. More than 700 students in Nicosia and 200 students in Limassol took the test. Due to high demand, another event was held during January 2018 which was once again positively received by students and parents.

How to create a competitive profile on Linkedin - Seminar by SocialSpace Academy and the European University Cyprus Career Center (8/12/2017)

The European University Cyprus Career Center organized a successful seminar on 8 December 2017 with the topic: "Be informed on how you can create a competitive profile on Linkedin".

The speaker, Mr. Giorgos Petrakides, Chief Executive at SocialSpace Academy, presented to over 100 students the Social Media platform Linkedin. The seminar focused on the creation of a profile and in the ways in which users can take advantage of this social media tool to find employment and project their professional experience. Mr. Petrakides informed students on how they can become active users, which methods can assist them in improving their profile, which skills and qualifications employers are looking for in graduates and how students can improve their profile presence on the social media platform Linkedin.

Round Table Discussion: Altius Insurance

On 13 December 2017 a selected group of European University Cyprus students and graduates had the opportunity to discuss with Dimitris Giannopoulos, Manager at Altius Insurance, the meaning of the job of an insurance agent and the opportunities it may offer them.

During the discussion, Mr. Giannopoulos encouraged the students to express their opinion about the specific occupation and then started responding to their concerns one by one. An insurance agent, Mr. Giannopoulos explained, is a mediator between the insurance company and the insuring entity. The mediator needs to assess the given situation and present a proposal to the client.

At the end of the discussion, the participants were informed about the key qualities of a successful insurance agent, which include communication skills, persuasion, and adaptability.

European University Cyprus Pharmacy students Field Trip to Delorbis Pharmaceuticals Ltd

Fourth year students of the Pharmacy Program, completed the series of lectures of the course Pharmaceutical Technology I, with a field trip to the pharmaceutical company Delorbis Pharmaceuticals Ltd (Industrial area Ergates, Nicosia) on 14 December 2017.

Upon arrival, the company's scientific staff gave a presentation to the students. The presentation entailed the company's operations and its areas of focus, as well as the company's future plans. Following the presentation, the students were divided to groups and, accompanied by trained personnel of Delorbis, took a tour of the modern facilities, specifically to the departments of production, packaging, quality control, quality assurance and storage. During the tour, the students had the opportunity to see the latest technology equipment of each department, which align with the European Union regulations.

The students were impressed with the interaction they had with the Delorbis staff; both because of the tour and the facilities, as well as the expertise that the scientific staff shared with them. Overall, the students earned valuable knowledge from the field trip.

Digital Marketing Seminar

A Digital Marketing Seminar was organized successfully at the European University Cyprus on 22 February 2018. The organizer, the Career Center of the University, invited students from the field of Marketing, Business Administration and Graphic Design to attend. The turnout was greater than expected and students from other disciplines also participated.

In a packed room, students and lecturers had the opportunity to learn all about the proper business use of Social Media Networks. The speaker, Mr. Yiorgos Petrakides, Managing Director of the Social Space Academy, explained that Marketing nowadays, can be measured and targeted. The speaker focused on how organizations can use Social Media to create greater impact on the organization's brand and how re-marketing and re-targeting is the new way to attract followers and customers. At the same time, he presented students with ways in which they can enhance their CVs by using technology intelligently. The students participated with queries and clever commends. Students stated that they felt lucky to participate in this interesting seminar.

Field Trip to an exhibition and film show at the Goethe Institute Nicosia by Sociology Students

On 28 February 2018, sociology students visited the Goethe Institute in Nicosia accompanied by their teacher Mrs. Petra Daniel. Karin Varga, the director of the Goethe Institute, had agreed to arrange for a private showing of the documentary film "Together Apart" by the German filmmaker Maren Wickwire, and a tour through the photo exhibition "Apples for Sale" by Rebecca Sampson, also was planned.

The scope of the field trip was to observe various angles on the lives of migrant domestic workers from South Asia in both Cyprus and Singapore, which the group then related to the class material. The visit gave the students an informative and emotional background for an interview assignment with migrant women that was part of their class tasks.

Mrs. Varga joined forces with Mrs. Daniel in introducing the issues raised in the photo exhibition about domestic laborers from Indonesia in Singapore. They gave a brief explanation of each topical section of the exhibition and were present as the students walked around the exhibition and answered questions the students had. Lively discussions were the result.

Following the tour of the exhibition, the documentary film highlighting the situation of Filipino domestic workers in Cyprus was shown and consequently discussed.

The whole trip lasted two hours and was a considerably enriching, utilizing a different methodology for the sociology students.

EPSO Presentation

For one more year, EPSO (European Personnel Selection Office) presented to students and graduates of the European University Cyprus the process of applying to EU institutions. The presentation took place on 28 February 2018 at the premises of the European University Cyprus. The speaker, Mr. Michael Stylianou, presented work opportunities in EU Institutions, while clueing students in on the process of application. Additionally, he analyzed the new testing process that entered into effect this year, which includes IQ questions, linguistic reasoning and e-tray testing. The interactive presentation was concluded with the simulation of the EPSO test. George Vournous was the lucky winner, with the highest grade in the test. Mr. Vournous will have the chance to travel to Brussels for an educational trip.

European University Cyprus - 19th Annual Internship and Career Day Exhibition

Aiming to expand opportunities for European University Cyprus students and graduates, the Career Center organized the 19th Annual Internship and Career Day Exhibition (17 April 2018). The Exhibition, which took place at the Cultural Center of the University, is part of the strategic pillar for targeted actions that broaden every area related to the professional rehabilitation of the University's graduates. It is important to note that at the latest graduate survey, 77% of the European University Cyprus graduates found work in their field of study, within six months of their graduation.

The president of OEB, Mr. Christos Michaelides, inaugurated the exhibition and delivered a welcome address, expressing the support of the Cyprus Employers & Industrialist Federation. As he said, "the long and highly successful presence of the Exhibition demonstrates the need for such initiatives and the importance it offers in the field of employment and vocational rehabilitation". The Student Affairs Director, Mrs. Eleni Markantoni, stated that "the Career Center of European University Cyprus for two decades now focuses on serving the Labor Market with various tools and technologies, thus enhancing the relationship of employers and young graduates".

The Exhibition informed students about the trends of the Labor Market, the Internship Programs, and the full- and part-time employment opportunities. The European University Cyprus graduates carry the new culture, which is characterized by personal responsibility, adaptability and a new form of creativity and innovation. The optimal practices adopted by the European University Cyprus are recognized and from the accreditation of the QS Top Universities (QS Stars) awarding the University with 5 starts for Student Employment.

This year, 86 organizations from Cyprus, Greece, Spain, Czech Republic and Mexico participated at the Exhibition, representing all industries of the Economy. European University Cyprus innovates by enhancing interaction with the real economy and opens even more channels of communication with the Labor Market.









Presentation - Students in Research, Restart: 2016 – 2020

The Career Center successfully organized a presentation regarding the Competition "Students in Research" on 2 May 2018. Ms Elena Poulli, Research Promotion Officer from the Research Promotion Foundation, informed the students of European University Cyprus about the Foundation's call for proposals. The Competition "Students in Research – Study 2018" of the "Cultivation of Culture" Program is part of the RESTART 2016-2020 programs for research, technological development and

Field Trip to the Botanical Gardens "CyHerbia" of the Cyprus College Aesthetics students

On 15 May 2018, the Cyprus College Aesthetics students visited the Botanical Gardens "Cyherbia" at the Avgorou village. The students took a tour to the Botanical Gardens guided by the owner Mrs. Miranta Triggi. At the same time the students were informed about nine categories and thematic units of the Botanical Garden; "Bathroom Gardens", "Herbal Remedies", "Aromatic Herbs", "Insect Repellents", "For the woman", "Relaxation Herbs", "Potpourri", "Cooking Herbs" and "Traditional Cypriot Herbs".

During the tour, the students saw plants related to each thematic unit and were informed about the properties of each plant.

Following the tour, the owner and the Botanical Gardens staff offered ice tea from various herbs to the students. After that, the students took a tour of the distiller's premises. There, they had the opportunity to watch the distillation of oregano, while being analytically informed about the distillation process and the therapeutic properties of the essential oil, which helps fight mycosis, treats respiratory infections, muscle aches, arthritis and other health issues.

Cypriot-Greek Conference of Career Guidance and Counseling 2017

The annual "Cypriot-Greek Conference of Career Guidance and Counselling" was completed this year withgreat success, with a broad participation of counsellors from the Career Counselling and Education Services (CCES) of Cyprus and counsellors of Career Guidance of KESYP, Greece. This year's conference "Modern Approaches to Counselling and Career Guidance" was held in Athens and included a series of workshops, speeches and exchange of good practices.

The Conference was co-organized by the Career Counselling and Education Services (CCES) of the Ministry of Education and Culture of Cyprus, the European University of Cyprus and the "Michalis Kassotakis" Career Guidance and Counselling Laboratory of the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens. The Association of teachers of secondary general education (OELMEK) supported the conference, while the Educational Advisor, Mrs. Maria Panagidou, represented the Embassy of Cyprus in Greece.

Keynote speaker was Professor Emeritus Michalis Kassotakis, father of modern counselling in Greece and presented the topic "Professional counselling and the modern socio-economic and educational crisis in Greece". The program of the conference included a presentation by Professor Despina Sidiropoulou-Dimakakou on "Professional orientation of people with special needs: The case of young people with ADHD". Ms. Monica Karamalakou-Lappa presented the topic: "Career counselling, career guidance and entrepreneurship in the context of today's reality. Examples of application in education". The conference also included topics such as: "Development of a psychometric tool for the measurement of professional values"; "Social entrepreneurship in the public school";"10 Tips for young people to tackle unemployment"; "Social entrepreneurship programs as a vehicle for the promotion of the values of the citizens - A career progression program" Counselling and educational orientation for students with disabilities, sufferers of serious diseases and special educational needs-Interventions carried out by KESYP"; and "Modern innovative tools of Professional Counselling and development of educational and professional research skills for students".

8.4. Alumni Association

- Annual Awards: "European University Cyprus & Cyprus College Microsoft Innovation Center Alumni Awards 2017"
 Over five hundred members of the European University Cyprus & Cyprus College Alumni Association attended a brilliant and very moving event on 24 January 2018, where the Alumni Association awarded members who excelled and distinguished themselves in their professional career and ethos.
 - The Alumni Association acknowledged and rewarded the achievements of four Alumni and at the same time announced a € 20,000 grant to a newcomer from the Alumni Scholarship Fund, which was courteously granted to the Association by European University Cyprus.
 - The "Graduate of the Year" Award was awarded to Mr. Marios Stavrou, the founder of the non-governmental organization REACTION, with offices in 22 countries that specializes in 12 fields of activity related to youth education.
 - The "Graduate Business of the Year" Award was awarded to POWERSOFT Software Innovation Architect and Managing Director, Mr. George Malekkos.
 - The Entrepreneurship and Innovation Award was awarded to Mr. Dino Pastos, Information Security Officer at CopyDo Social Investment Network Ltd.
 - The "Women's Professional Excellence Award" was awarded to the soprano artist, Mariza Anastasiades, for her artistic career and her successful participation in international performances and competitions.

In his speech, the President of the Association, Mr. Yiannos Spyros, announced that the Association is in the final stage of creating a fully updated Business Directory, which will help dynamic networking among Alumni with the ultimate aim of mutual support and expanding engagement. Mr. Spyrou thanked European University Cyprus, Microsoft, Sigma Group and FF Group of Companies for their active and continues support to the Alumni Association.

The Managing Director and Chairman of the Board of Directors of European University Cyprus, Dr. Christoforos Hadjikyprianou, thanked the Association for its active work and expressed his deep pride for the successes and achievements of the alumni.

■ The Cyprus Tourism Organization rewards European University Cyprus graduates

On 8 July 2018, the Cyprus Tourism Organization recognized and rewarded excellence. Mr. Kyriakos Kyriacou, Tourist Officer A at the Cyprus Tourism Organization, delivered two awards to two graduates from the Hotel, Tourism and Event Management sector who graduated with the highest Grade Point Average. The award recipients were Mrs. Beatrice Lo Turco, and Mrs. Argyro Nathena from Italy and Crete respectively.

CYTA rewards Academic Excellency at European University Cyprus

On 11 July 2018, CYTA rewarded graduates who excelled in the fields of Computer Engineering and Informatics. For the ten last years, CYTA has been rewarding academic excellence through their program "Bravo". The awards were presented by the European University Cyprus Dean of the School of Sciences, Dr. Mary Eleftheriadou. The graduate recipients were Mr. Konstantinos Panziaras and Mr. Fominykh.

8.5. University Sports

The athletic program of European University Cyprus is viewed as an integral part of the university's life. The men's and women's teams include football, futsal, basketball, volleyball, handball, track & field, judo, tennis, badminton, etc. All university teams participate in the leagues organized by the Cyprus University Sports Federation.

■ Badminton (Men's 1st place, Men's doubles 2nd place)

This year's achievements were excellent. Savvas Charalambous representing European University Cyprus faced Nicholas Efstathiou (University of Cyprus) in the final and won both sets (21-11, 21-11) achieving the first place with an amazing performance.

In the men's doubles, an incredible fight for the gold medal took place between the EUC athletes Christos Dimitriou and Savvas Charalambous and the athletes of University of Cyprus. Both sets were very close (24-22, 21-16) and despite the good performance of our athletes, they achieved the 2nd place.

Futsal Men (1st place)

In a thrilling championship, our university team took the first place with an outstanding performance, winning the league unbeaten.

Volleyball Women (1st place)

European University Cyprus won the championship for a second consecutive year, beating University of Nicosia in the Final. Both universities had the same points at the scoreboard and had to play a final match at the end of the season for the 1st place. After an exciting and difficult game, our girls won the game by 3-1 finishing in the 1st place.

Basketball Men (3rd place)

Our university easily defeated the Cyprus University of Technology at the small final 92 -40 and finished at the 3rd place.

Judo Men (81kg 1st place, 100kg 2nd place)

The Judo championship was held in an absolute spirit of mutual respect, maintaining a very high level of competition. At the 81kg category, our athlete Aristos Michael took the 1st place and at the 100kg category, our athlete Michael Kleitou took the 2nd place.

Sabo Men (90kg 3rd place, 100+kg 2nd place)

Sambo University Championship was fascinating this year, with the fights for a medal being overwhelming. At the 90kg category, our athlete Aristos Korelides took the bronze medal, and at the 100+ kg category, our athlete Kyriacos Ioannou took the silver medal.

Handball Men (1st place)

For another year, European University Cyprus demonstrated superiority at the Handball University Championship, winning the league unbeaten.

■ Table Tennis Men and Women (3rd place)

Our athlete's, Andros Kypridimos and Kyriaci Sarri, took the 3rd place at the Table Tennis Championship respectively at their category.

Track & Field Men and Women

Men

- Andreas Misara took the gold medal at the 400m and 800m respectively.
- Manuel Modestou took the bronze medal at the 400m.
- Charalambos Constantinou took the silver medal at triple jump and long jump.
- Rafail Philippou took the bronze medal at long jump.
- Athanasios Zantiras took the bronze medal at shot put.

Women

- Maria Tirimou took the bronze medal at 100m.
- Chrystalla Kyriacou took the gold medal at shot put.
- Stella loannou took the silver medal at shot put.
- Maria Tirimou took the bronze medal at shot put.
- Vasiliki Giagou took the gold medal at 400m.
- Adria Mantorini took the bronze medal at 400.

COMES TO UNIVERSITIES

3rd edition - SEC2U

- > 12 December 2018
- **11:30 13:30**
- Auditorium Beta, European University Cyprus

PROGRAM

11:30-11:45 WELCOMING TO #SEC2U EVENT

- Prof. George Boustras, Dean of the School of Business Administration, European University Cyprus
- Dr. Simona Mihai Yiannaki, of the School of Business Administration, European University Cyprus, EUC-PEAK Director

SPEAKERS

- 11:45-12:00 Dr. Pericles Cheng, Instructor, Computer Science, European University Cyprus
- 12:00-12:15 George Georgiou, CEO Novatex Solutions
- 12:15-12:30 Dr. Loizos Michael, RISE Center
- 12:30-12:45 Prof. George Papageorgiou, Management & Information Systems,
 - European University Cyprus
- Athanasios Maimaris, Lecturer, Computer Science, Cyprus College
- 12:45-13:00 KPMG Team, Enterprise & Startups
- 13:00-13:15 Moyses Moyseos, Gravity Ventures Incubator

13:15-13:30 PANEL DISCUSSION

- Stavriana Kofteros, Digital Transformation & Innovation DISY
- Panis Pieris, DisruptCyprus
- 13:30-14:00 NETWORKING EVENT COCKTAIL



The social contribution activities of the University are aimed at supporting and helping our fellow citizens (pupils, students, colleagues, citizens) in need, at protecting the environment, and at the enlightenment and spiritual awakening of citizens in crucial social (and other) issues.

9.1. School of Business

Startup Europe

SEC2U is an initiative endorsed by the European Commission (Startup Europe) to create a strong culture of entrepreneurship and innovation within universities across Europe. It consists of a series of events that bring together students, university staff, entrepreneurs, executives and representatives of local governments in order to showcase the available support and form valuable connections in the startup ecosystem. The second edition of SEC2U took place on 23-29- October 2017 with the European University Cyprus joining the initiative. During the event at the EUC Cultural Center on 25 of October, students and young entrepreneurs were able to familiarize themselves with the opportunities and support available for growing their businesses and entrepreneurship skills. In addition, six surprise entrepreneurs Guest Speakers challenged the audience with some success stories and cases of failure as a way of learning, while they allocated time at the end for networking among the participants. EUC-PEAK Center of Entrepreneurship of the European University Cyprus supported by other universities across Europe is taking steps towards the internationalization of the Cypriot ecosystem together with over 30 prestigious universities in the SEC2U initiative.

9.2. School of Sciences

«Health and Prevention» program by ExxonMobil

Coordinator: Dr. Maria Leonidou, Lecturer, Medicine, Department of Health Sciences, European University Cyprus
The social responsibility program "Health and Prevention" is operating since 2008 and is aimed at the development of the
mobile health care unit "Health Care Esso". The program is under the auspices of the Ministry of Health and supported scientifically by the students of the Nursing Program of European University Cyprus. The tests take place on Saturdays at Esso
stations across Cyprus. The unit provides free preventive tests of blood sugar, cholesterol and blood pressure. The aim of
this action is to prevent, so those who show results that deviate from the permissible, are encouraged to visit their doctor
for further tests.

This free testing and prevention measure strives to improve the health and well-being of the population of Cyprus.

Intensive Care Forum event (Help us to help you)

Coordinator of the event: Dr. Maria Prodromou, Lecturer, Coordinator of the Nursing program, European University Cyprus Date: 8 October 2017

The Department of Health Sciences and the Nursing program offered nursing services to the attendees of the event. It was an event dedicated to the prevention and took place in the Acropolis Park from 11.00am to 17.00pm.

Blood Donation

Coordinator of the event: Department of Computer Science and Engineering / EUC Office of Students Affairs Members of the Department that supported the event:

- Dr. Christos Dimopoulos, Associate Professor, Computer Science and Engineering, European University Cyprus
- Dr. George Christou, Associate Professor, Computer Science, European University Cyprus
- Dr. Pericles Leng-Cheng, Instructor, Computer Science, European University Cyprus

Venue: EUC Cafeteria 29 November 2017

Food and Money Collection

Department of Health Sciences / Nutrition and Dietetics Program / Cyprus Red Cross Coordinators of the event:

- Dr. Christiana Philippou, Lecturer, Coordinator of the Nutrition and Dietetics program, European University Cyprus
- Dr. Ioannis Karis, Visiting Lecturer, Nutrition and Dietetics program, European University Cyprus

Date: 5-11 December 2017

The program organized food and money collection in the special pigs of the Red Cross that had been placed in the School's receptions and in the EUC cafeteria.

■ TKNS Program - Event

Department of Health Sciences / Nursing Program

Coordinator of the event: Dr. Maria Prodromou, Lecturer, Coordinator of the Nursing program, European University Cyprus Date: 10-11 March 2018

The TKNS program of European University Cyprus, during the weekend of 10-11 March, held a two-day camp in Platres with a variety of activities such as treasure hunting, walking in nature, nature games, experimenters and pressure resistance groups, as well as other activities. During this two-day week, students of our University from the Nursing and Occupational Therapy programs, had the chance to share experiences of actively participating and applying the knowledge and skills taught in theory, in practice.

The program TKNS is a prevention program for children among the age of 8-15 who are raised in a problematic family environment. The aim of the program is to identify this population and to assess their needs.

Campaign "Adopt a Family during Easter"

Collection of money from The School of Sciences' faculty and administration for the Pancyprian Association of Volunteers. Supermarket vouchers worth €360 were donated to the Association in order to help families in need, during the Easter holidays.

Date: 29 March 2018







9.3. Committee for Students with Special Educational Needs

European University Cyprus, in the framework of maintaining high quality in education, and in accordance with the Law of Education of Students with Special Needs and the relevant Regulations (Ο Περί Αγωγής και Εκπαίδευσης Παιδιών με Ειδικές Ανάγκες Νόμος του 1999), (No. 113(I) of 1999), referred to as "The Law", and particularly Part VII article 51 of the Regulations, has formulated a Committee for Students with Special Educational Needs.

The University offers students with special needs all the opportunities for equality in terms of the education provided and the guidance offered, so that students may develop their potential to the maximum.

All students with special educational needs are referred to the Committee, which confirms older or specifies new recommendations according to older recommendations of the District Committee (operating at the Ministry of Education and Culture in accordance with the Law) or according to new examinations of the students, and coordinates the support of the students with special needs.

The arrangements and the support that are applied differ, and are always based upon the (certified) individual needs and characteristics of each student. Some of the arrangements that could be offered are listed below:

- Support in class for students with hearing impairments or Deaf students from a Sign Language interpreter
- Extension of the time-limit of the examination according to the special needs
- Oral examination or dictation of the answers to a writer or a tape-recorder
- Installation of Closed Circuit Television for students with visual impairments
- Translation of texts into language used for the blind (in Cyprus the Braille method is used)
- Support in separate room from the instructor or a special teacher for better understanding of the material, before or after the lesson
- Voluntary or paid support from a fellow student or another person (reciprocal method)
- Specialized guidance for a more efficient correspondence at their academic tasks, i.e. finding an efficient study method, preparation of essays etc
- Video recording of the lessons so as the students may have access to them later
- Provision for note-taking
- Notes of each lesson should be sent in advance to Deaf students or students with Learning Disabilities in order to be prepared to attend it efficiently
- Exemption and replacement of a course, i.e. Music, English etc. for students with Sensory Disability
- Provision for the accessibility of every area inside and outside the campus
- Psychological, social and financial (for books, notes etc.) support

Professors' and administrative staff's cooperation and support have always been determinant in the successful implementation of our mission.

During the academic year 2017-2018, the number of students who were supported were 410.

9.4. Office of Student Affairs

Fundraising for Cyprus Anticancer Society

European University Cyprus once again supported "Christodoula's March". EUC assisted the Cyprus Anticancer Society with a team of 71 volunteer students to aid in the collection of donations at different traffic lights of Engomi area for "Christodoula's March".

Presentation of Robotics' Club at the American Academy

On 29 November 2017, members of the Robotic's Club presented a variety of robotic's platforms to students from preschools, junior schools to senior highs.

Event "Return to Nutritional Self-sufficiency, Turn back to go forward."

The event, which was organized by the School of Education, Humanities and Social Sciences, the Social Work Students Club of European University Cyprus and the Voluntary Group Cyprus Life Movement included:

- Lecture on how to create a vegetable garden on the balcony or courtyard
- Free delivery of traditional seeds and aromatic herbs for tea such as melissa, oregano and avian
- Plant protection in a natural way
- Dissemination of traditional seeds
- Practical guidelines for organic and traditional crops
- Experimental actions such as soil preparation and seed planting and composting
- Presentation of traditional activities such as bread kneading, brewery and zivania

The event was under the auspices of the Environment Commissioner, Ms. Ioanna Panagiotou

"Hope for Homeless" Every dog deserves a home Project

Volunteers of European University Cyprus Medical Society (EUC MSS) helps the Cyprus private animal shelter "Hope for Homeless". Every dog deserves a home, but as most of the students cannot take this responsibility to own one for different reasons, members of the MSS decided they could offer support to the shelter since it is in desperate need of financial support to continue its operation. Therefore, students organize from time-to-time visits to the shelter to help in chores and aid fundraisings.

■ EUC Medical Students Society Fundraising for the Red Cross

EUC Medical Students Society organized a philanthropic event to collect money and food to donate to the Red Cross.

Campaign of Collection Dry Food for families in need

The Social and behavioral Sciences Department and the Office of Student Affairs organized a Campaign for the Collection of Dry Food for families in need living in the Old Town of Nicosia.

Blood Donation

The Office of Student Affairs organized a Blood Donation on 29 November 2017 at the Cafeteria of European University Cyprus were 73 students participated.

Be a University student

During the Academic Year 2017-2018, European University Cyprus implemented "Be a University Student for A Day," a pioneer scheme offering High School students the opportunity to attend University lectures and courses aiming to:

- Inform students on the courses of their interest
- Familiarizing students with the Academic Teaching Model
- Advising students on how to select the appropriate field of study, taking into consideration the individuals' skills and interests.

9.5. Health, Safety and Environment

Affirmation of ISO 2603:2016

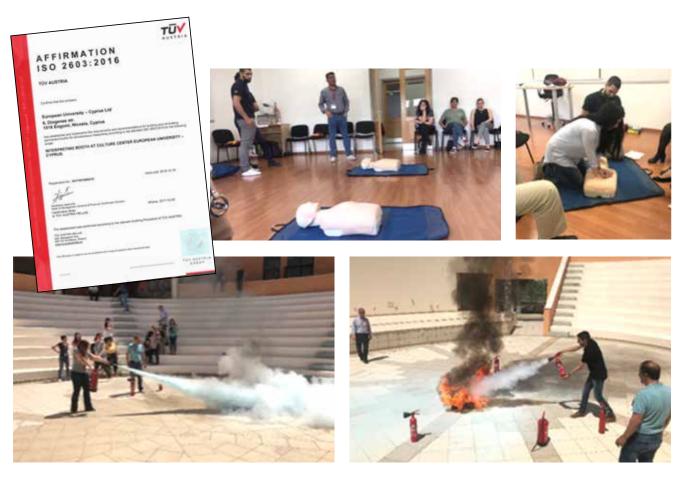
TUV Austria has accredited the booth for simultaneous interpreting into the Cultural Center of European University of Cyprus with ISO 2603:2015 in September 2017. The license number of the certificate is 0217431054310.

Training course on Health issues

Twenty-four colleagues from the administrative personnel participated in the training program: "Basic Life Support" on Thursday 26 April 2018. The Head of the training course was Dr. Theodoros Xanthos who delivered the ERC qualification to the participants, in cooperation with three qualified trainers of the Cyprus Resuscitation Council. All the participants passed the exams of the practical part and each participant received a certificate that is internationally recognized and valid for the next three years.

Training Program on Safety

Twenty colleagues from the administrative personnel participated in the training program: "Fire precaution and Emergency Procedures" on Wednesday 16 May 2018. The trainer, Dr. George Boustras, chose to deliver a shorter training program compared to previous years, by touring the participants around the premises to see the existing fire extinguishing equipment and then to proceed with practice on the use of the existing fire extinguishers and fire hose reels. The Sales Director of GEOMAST, Mr. Miltos Miltiadou, undertook and implemented the practice part of the session and all the participants used the available fire equipment for familiarity purposes.



3rd Biodiversity Workshop

The EUC Environmental Committee in cooperation with students from the Biological Sciences (Learning Research group in Physical Sciences and Mathematics), the Department of Education Sciences and the School of Medicine organized the 3rd biodiversity workshop.

The workshop was held on Friday, 11 May 2018 from 08:00 – 11:30 at the Cultural Center of European University Cyprus. The subject of the workshop was « Phenomena in Biology: from microcosm to macrocosm».

The workshop was addressed to students who were attending the 6th class in primary schools. Participating students and pupils were involved for three hours in a series of original, scientific activities from the magical world of biology to students and mentoring students of the Biological Sciences program of European University Cyprus. Students used original equipment from biological laboratories to study biological phenomena, explore the microcosm of biological systems, understand biological phenomena and processes, and reproduce macroscopic biological phenomena through interactive activities.

Running Under the Moon

The Environmental Committee of EUC participated in the 4th corporate/group night run in Cyprus, «Running under the moon» at the race that took place on Saturday 23June 2018 and was organized by the Municipality of Aglantzia and S.A.S Sports. The runners covered a distance of 5km in Athalassa forest.

The social contribution of the race was this year delivered to Magic Always Happens (www.magicalwayshappens.org), a charity that provides for a full-service world offered to all people in the autism spectrum, with ongoing research to alleviate and gradually eliminate symptoms, offering an increased quality of life for all.









Time for Cleaning

The Environmental Committee in collaboration with Engomi Municipality and Lions Club Nicosia Cosmopolitan held on Friday 25 May 2018 the event «Time for Cleaning». Specifically, from 10:30a.m. – 11:30a.m. the EUC green volunteers cleaned both the underpass on Archangel Michael Avenue and the gardens situated on the west side of the University buildings. The main aims of the event were to increase awareness of students and personnel in regards to their physical environment, to keep the area around the campus clean, and to cultivate an environmental culture in regards to managing our waste.

9.6. University Sports Activities

As part of the Corporate Social Responsibility, our university maintains a men's handball team since 1987. It participates in all men categories (Men, U19, U17, U15, U13, U11) declared by the Cyprus Handball Federation with a great success. Our academy occupies seventy children under the supervision of skilled trainers/coach.

Season 2017/18

- Men's team conquers two tittles (Super Cup and Championship)
- Under-19 took 2nd place
- Under-17 took 1st place

OPAP Limassol Marathon GSO 2017 & Running under the Moon

Once more, we participated in the OPAP Limassol Marathon GSO 2017 and Running under the Moon, at the 5km corporate race with a team that consisted of academic staff, administrative staff and students.







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