

# II Cypriot-Hungarian Higher Education Webinar 2023

*The Cypriot higher education system and the University of Cyprus*

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- The Republic of Cyprus has established a favourable framework for the operation of **three** public and **seven** non-public Universities, as well as a large number of Public and Private Institutions of HE.
- Cypriot Universities and Institutions of HE offer a variety of undergraduate and postgraduate programmes of study. They target quality, invest in their human resource development and provide excellent facilities, such as libraries, computer and science labs, sports centres, theatres and art studios.
- Cyprus, as a member of the Bologna Process, aims to enhance quality in HE and focuses on employability, lifelong learning, internationalization, student and staff mobility and student centred teaching approaches.

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**At present, there are 10 public and private universities operating in Cyprus.**

## Public Universities:

- The University of Cyprus -Nicosia
- The Cyprus University of Technology - Limassol
- The Open University of Cyprus - Nicosia

## Private Universities:

- Frederick University - Nicosia
- European University - Nicosia
- University of Nicosia - Nicosia
- Philips University - Nicosia
- University of Central Lancashire - Larnaca
- American University of Cyprus (AUCY) - Larnaca
- Neapolis University – Paphos



## **Quality Assurance and Recognition**

Quality Assurance and Recognition bodies provide quality and safeguard the HE system.

These bodies are:

- Cyprus Agency of Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education ([www.dipae.ac.cy](http://www.dipae.ac.cy))
- Cyprus Council for the Recognition of Higher Education Qualifications ([www.kysats.ac.cy](http://www.kysats.ac.cy))

## **Degrees and Certificates Offered by Higher Education Institutions**

- Certificate (1 year)
- Diploma (2 years)
- Higher Diploma (3 years)
- Bachelor's degree (4 years)
- Master's degree (1 or 2 years)
- PhD (3-6 years)

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## Why Study in Cyprus?

- High Quality Education
- A Centre for Education and Research in the region
- English as the language of instruction in many programmes of study
- Affordable cost of living and competitive tuition fees
- Preparation of students to work in a global marketplace
- Multicultural, social, academic environment
- Support services by Institutions of HE

## Living in Cyprus

- A member of the European Union
- Safe, friendly and hospitable environment
- A variety of activities offered, e.g. theatre, cinemas, concerts, cultural events, museums, leisure activities, water sports
- An island in the Mediterranean Sea at the crossroads of Europe, Asia and Africa
- Superb mountain scenery, forests, fascinating coastlines and beaches
- Rich historical and archaeological heritage that stretches back 10.000 years

# UNIVERSITY OF CYPRUS

# VISION AND MISSION

## VISION

Becoming a beacon of scientific thought, ethics and creativity in the wider Euro-Mediterranean area.

## MISSION

- Development of scientists with ethics and critical thinking
- Active participation in scientific research and innovation
- Contribution to cultural creation and to social renewal
- Contribution to the sustainable economic and social development of Cyprus and the wider Euro-Mediterranean area.





# FACTS AND FIGURES

Established in 1989 and accepted its first students in 1992

1<sup>st</sup> public university of Cyprus

2022-2023: 7022 students

Undergraduates: 5259 Masters: 1117 PhD: 646

International Students: 832

343 academics, 734 researchers, 476 administrative staff members

6 Joint Programmes of Study, 11 cotutelles

## **Other UCY Entities:**

School of Modern Greek: teaching the Greek language to non-native speakers

Language Centre: currently offers courses for learning in 8 languages

Aula Cervantes (<https://nicosia.cervantes.es/gr/default.shtm>) and Confucius Institute at UCY (<https://www.ucy.ac.cy/confucius/el/>)

Centre for Entrepreneurship - <https://www.c4e.org.cy/>

Career Centre - [www.ucy.ac.cy/career](http://www.ucy.ac.cy/career)

# RANKINGS 2022-2023

Times World  
University Rankings  
(THE)  
**#401-500**

- #64 Emerging Economies University Rankings
- #99 Top 200 World Universities under 50 years old Category
- #195 Top European Universities
- #126-150 Education
- #201-250 Psychology
- #201-250 Clinical Medicine and Health Science
- #251-300 Arts and Humanities

QS World  
University Rankings  
**#473**

- #55 QS EECA Rankings
- #101-150 Petroleum Engineering
- #251-300 Education
- #451-500 Engineering – Electrical and Electronic
- #501-550 Business and Management Studies
- #651-670 Medicine
- #651-670 Computer Science & Information Systems

Academic  
Ranking of World  
Universities  
(Shanghai)  
**#501-600**

- #201-300 Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- #201-300 Telecommunication Engineering
- #201-300 Education
- #201-300 Political Sciences
- #201-300 Human Biological Sciences
- #301-400 Physics
- #401-500 Management

# FACULTIES AND DEPARTMENTS

## 1. FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

- Department of English Studies
- Department of French and European Studies
- Department of Turkish and Middle Eastern Studies

## 2. FACULTY OF PURE AND APPLIED SCIENCES

- Department of Biological Sciences
- Department of Chemistry
- Department of Computer Science
- Department of Mathematics and Statistics
- Department of Physics

## 3. FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND EDUCATION

- Department of Educational Sciences
- Department of Social and Political Sciences
- Department of Law
- Department of Psychology

## 4. FACULTY OF ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT

- Department of Economics
- Department of Business and Public Administration
- Department of Accounting and Finance

## 5. FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

- Department of Architecture
- Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering
- Department of Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering

## 6. FACULTY OF LETTERS

- Department of Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies
- Department of Classics and Philosophy
- Department of History and Archaeology

## 7. MEDICAL SCHOOL

## 8. GRADUATE SCHOOL



# RESEARCH AND INNOVATION

- **2021**: research funding from external sources reached **€30.1 million**. UCY is currently participating in **349 projects**. **201 are EU-funded projects** under Horizon Europe, Horizon 2020, Erasmus+, Justice, Life, Cost Action and Interreg.
- **1<sup>st</sup> in securing funding from all organisations from the H2020 Widening countries** (16 EU member states + 12 associated countries which are less advanced in R&I). Under this pillar, UCY secured 23 research projects with total funding of € 28.9 million (3 Teaming Phase 2 - € 23 million, 7 Teaming Phase 1 - € 1 million, 1 Era Chair - € 2.5 million, 4 Twinning - € 1.6 million and 8 Widening Fellowships - € 1.227.529)
- **137<sup>th</sup>** in securing funding among 41,200 **organizations** participating in the Program and **98<sup>th</sup>** among all the **academic** institutions involved.
- Highest number of **ERC grants** in Cyprus (23 grants) since the establishment of the European Research Council in 2007 (7 Starting Grants, 5 Consolidator Grants, 2 Advanced Grants, 8 Proof of Concept Grants and 1 Synergy Grant)
- **72 Marie Skłodowska-Curie projects** (28 Marie Skłodowska-Curie projects funded under Horizon 2020 and Horizon Europe)



# FACTS AND FIGURES

**13 Research Centres and Units** (covering a broad spectrum within the life, social, natural and engineering sciences)

## **FACULTY OF LETTERS**

Archaeological Research Unit

Centre for Medieval Arts and Rituals (CeMAR)

## **FACULTY OF ENGINEERING**

KIOS Research and Innovation Center of Excellence (Teaming)

FOSS Research Centre for Sustainable Energy (Teaming)

Nireas International Water Research Center

EMPHASIS Research Centre

## **FACULTY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SCIENCES**

Center for Applied Neuroscience

Research Centre for Gender Studies

## **FACULTY OF PURE AND APPLIED SCIENCES**

Oceanography Centre

Biomedical Engineering Research Centre - BERC

## **FACULTY OF ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT**

Economics Research Centre

Center for Banking and Financial Research

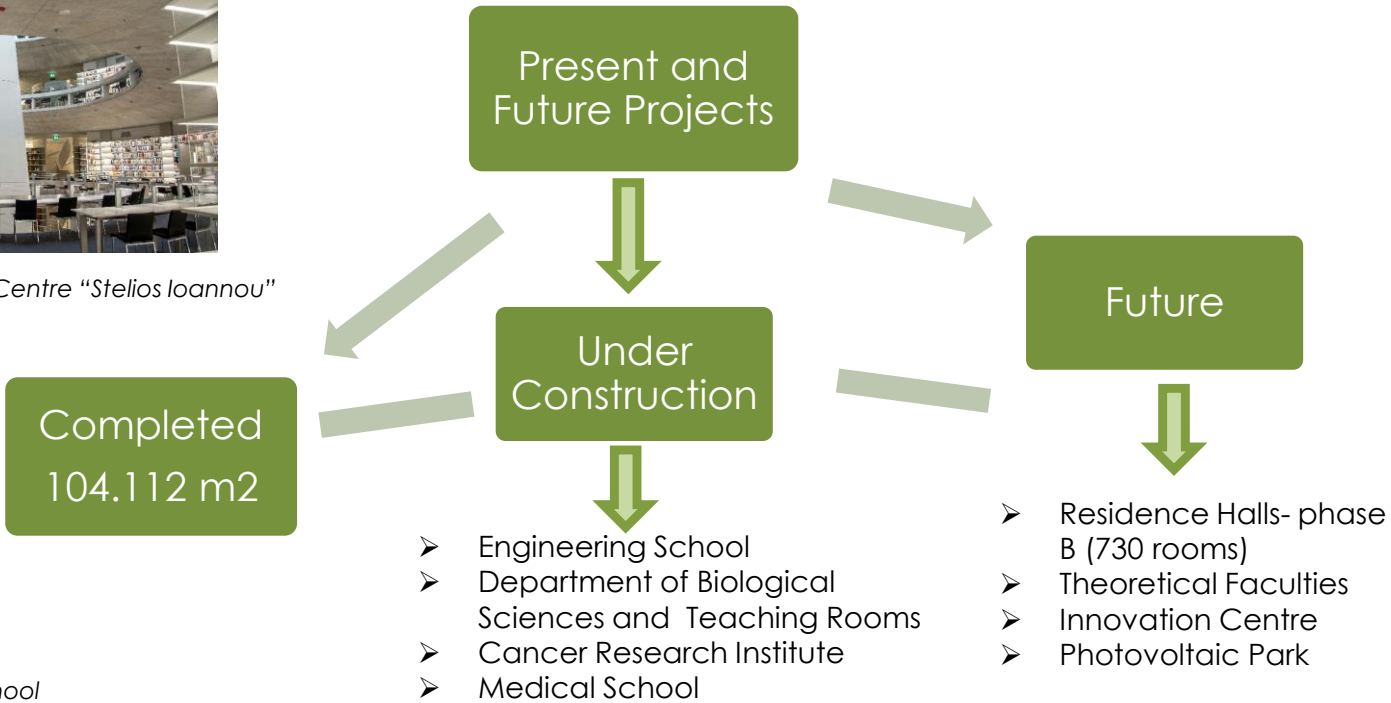
## **MEDICAL SCHOOL**

Molecular Medicine Research Center - CY-Biobank (Teaming)

# INFRASTRUCTURE - FUTURE DEVELOPMENT



Learning Resource Centre "Stelios Ioannou"



Engineering School



Department of Biological Sciences

# STUDIES-PROGRAMMES OFFERED IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

## Master Programmes

### CURRENTLY OFFERED

#### FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

- ✓ MA in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
- ✓ MA in Theoretical and Applied Linguistics
- ✓ MA in European Studies
- ✓ MA in Teaching French as a Foreign Language
- ✓ MA in Turkish Studies

#### MEDICAL SCHOOL

- ✓ MSc in Precision Medicine in Clinical Practice

#### FACULTY OF PURE AND APPLIED SCIENCES

- ✓ MSc in Biodiversity and Ecology
- ✓ MSc in Biomedical Sciences
- ✓ MSc in Molecular Biology and Biomedicine
- ✓ MSc in Data Science
- ✓ MSc in Artificial Intelligence

#### FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND EDUCATION

- ✓ MA in Education Policies for Global Development (Globed) Erasmus + Mundus
- ✓ MSc in Cognitive Systems
- ✓ European Master in Human Rights and Democratisation

#### FACULTY OF ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT

- ✓ MSc in Economic Analysis
- ✓ MBA in Business Administration
- ✓ Master in Business Economic Technology, Innovation Management and Entrepreneurship (TIME MBE)
- ✓ MSc in Monetary and Financial Economics
- ✓ MSc in Behavioural Economics
- ✓ MSc in Human Resource Management

#### FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

- ✓ Master in Environmental Engineering (MSc & Meng)
- ✓ Master in Computer Engineering (MSc & Meng)
- ✓ Master in Electrical Engineering (MSc & Meng)
- ✓ Master in Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering (MSc & Meng)
- ✓ Master in Energy Technologies and Sustainable Design (MSc & Meng)
- ✓ Master in Civil Engineering (MSc & Meng)
- ✓ MEng on Natural Gas in Energy Transition
- ✓ MSc in Intelligent Critical Infrastructure Systems
- ✓ MSc in Advanced Materials and Nanotechnology

#### FACULTY OF LETTERS

- ✓ MA in Field Archaeology on Land and Under the Sea
- ✓ MA in Digital Heritage and Landscape Archaeology
- ✓ European Master in Classical Studies

### COMING SOON

#### FACULTY OF PURE AND APPLIED SCIENCES

- ✓ MSc in Mathematical Sciences
- ✓ MSc in Physics

#### FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND EDUCATION

- ✓ MA in Gender Studies
- ✓ MA in Peace, Conflict & Democracy

# STUDIES-PROGRAMMES OFFERED IN FOREIGN LANGUAGES

## PhD Programmes

### FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

- ✓ PhD in English Literature and Comparative Cultural Studies
- ✓ PhD in Linguistics
- ✓ PhD in Translation Studies
- ✓ PhD in European Studies
- ✓ PhD in French Studies

### FACULTY OF PURE AND APPLIED SCIENCES

- ✓ PhD in Biodiversity and Ecology
- ✓ PhD in Biomedical Sciences
- ✓ PhD in Mathematics
- ✓ PhD in Statistics
- ✓ PhD in Physics

### FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES AND EDUCATION

- ✓ PhD in Gender Studies

### FACULTY OF ECONOMICS AND MANAGEMENT

- ✓ PhD in Economics
- ✓ PhD in Business Administration

### FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

- ✓ PhD in Computer Engineering
- ✓ PhD in Electrical Engineering
- ✓ PhD in Advanced Materials and Nanotechnology
- ✓ PhD in Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering
- ✓ PhD in Civil Engineering
- ✓ PhD in Environmental Engineering

### FACULTY OF LETTERS

- ✓ PhD in Ancient History
- ✓ PhD in Archaeology of the Mediterranean from Prehistory to the Byzantine Era
- ✓ PhD in Modern and Contemporary History (19th - 20th ce)
- ✓ PhD in Byzantine Studies and the Latin East

## Undergraduate Programmes

### FACULTY OF HUMANITIES

- ✓ BA in English Language and Literature
- ✓ BA in French and European Studies



## YUFE ALLIANCE: TO BUILD A SUSTAINABLE EUROPEAN UNIVERSITY BASED ON EXCELLENCE AND COLLABORATION

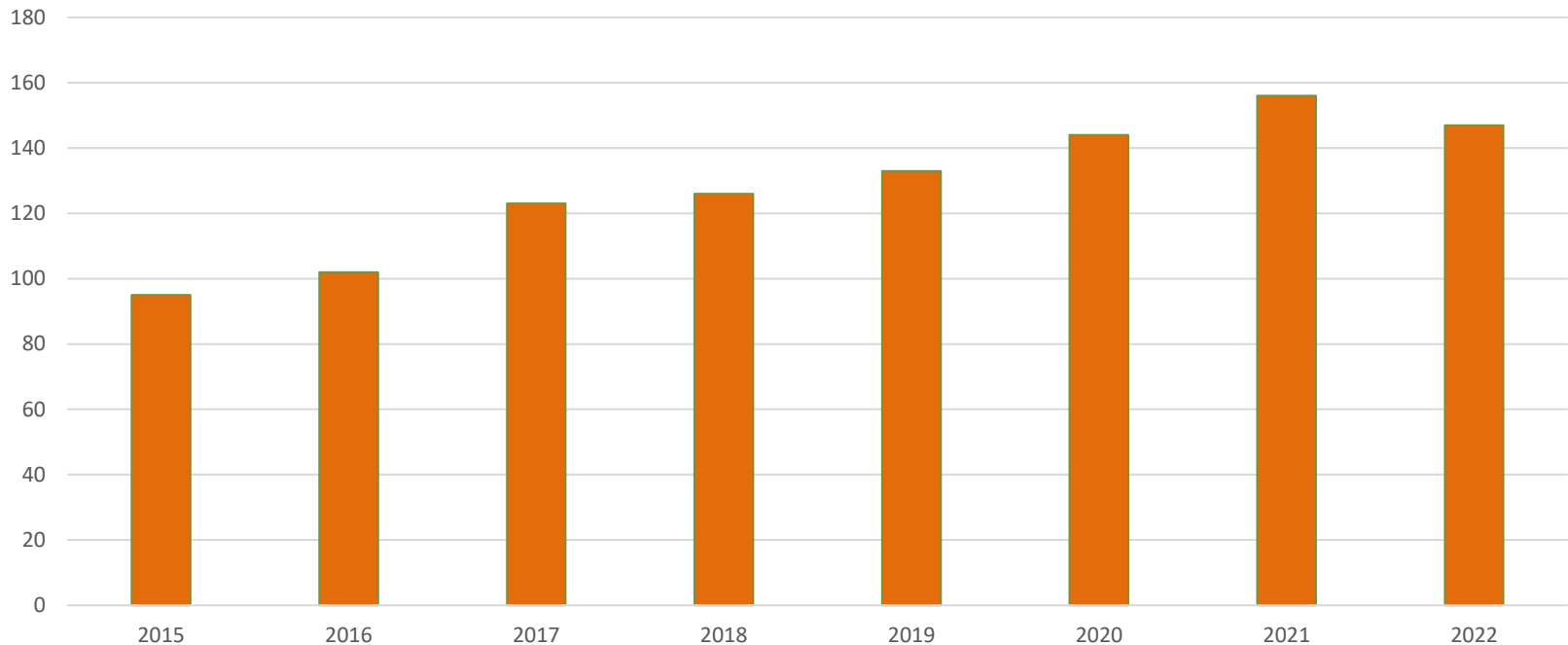


Young Universities for the Future of Europe (YUFE): **nine** dynamic, young, student-centred research-based universities and **four** non-academic partners from the non-governmental and private sector for an **impactful European University**. Together, the YUFE partners will establish one of the first true European Universities.

Students will have the opportunity to study in all the participating universities:

1. Maastricht University, the Netherlands
2. Nicolaus Copernicus University, Poland
3. Universidad Carlos III De Madrid, Spain
4. University of Antwerp, Belgium
5. University of Bremen, Germany
6. University of Cyprus, Cyprus
7. University of Eastern Finland, Finland
8. University of Essex, the United Kingdom
9. University of Rijeka, Croatia

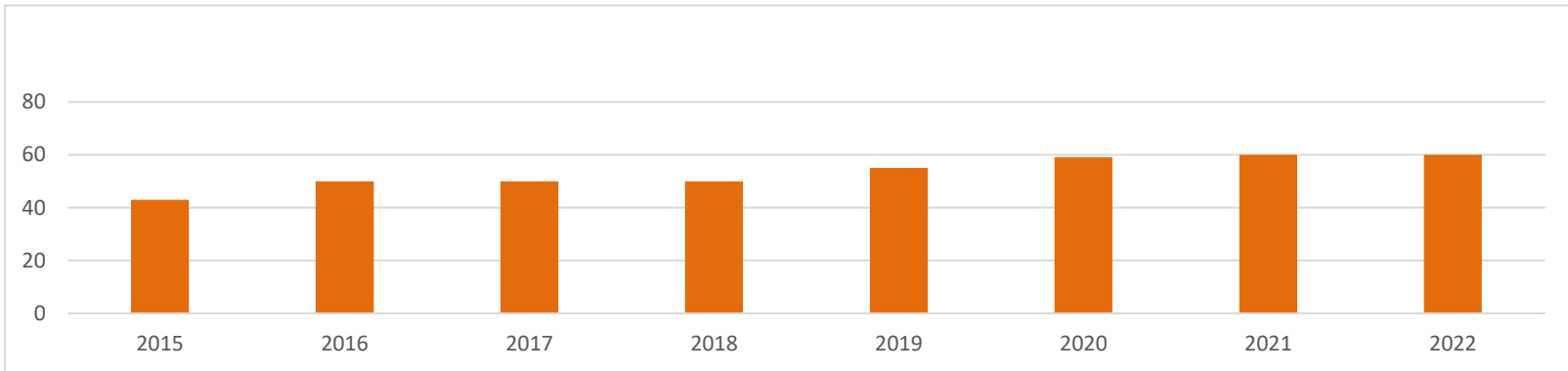
# INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS-BILATERAL AGREEMENTS OF COOPERATION



## Agreements of Cooperation

- 147 universities and research centres in Europe, Asia, Australia, USA, Canada, the Middle East
- Provision for exchange of academic and administrative staff, students, research cooperation, joint conferences, etc.
- Opening towards the Middle East, the Gulf, North Africa, Latin America, China

# INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS-PARTICIPATION IN NETWORKS/ASSOCIATIONS



UCY currently participates in 60 international university networks/associations, e.g.:

- International Association of Universities (IAU)
- Association of European Universities (EUA)
- The Network of Universities from the Capitals of Europe (UNICA)
- Association of Mediterranean Universities (UNIMED)
- Santander Group (SG)
- Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU)
- Young European Research Universities (YERUN)
- University Association of Francophonie



# INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS-MOBILITY

## Erasmus+ Programme

	2017/2018	2018/2019	2019/2020	2020/2021	2021/2022	2022/2023 (1 <sup>st</sup> semester)
<b>Bilateral Agreements</b>	704	729	860	837	840	837
<b>Partner Universities</b>	326	346	369	377	377	377
<b>Countries</b>	29	30	31	33*	33	33
<b>Outgoing Students</b>	197	185	183	69*	150	74
<b>Incoming Students</b>	196	211	202	105*	271	115
<b>Teaching Staff Exchanges</b>	17	16	4*	3*	10	8**
<b>Student Placements</b>	106	110	67*	49*	85	22
<b>Staff Training Exchanges</b>	25	25	1*	1*	33	15**

## Erasmus+ International- Mobility with third countries

### Student & Staff Exchanges within the framework of Bilateral Agreements

\*Due to the pandemic

\*\* Numbers not final

- ✓ Joint Participation in EU and national research programmes
- ✓ Bilateral Agreements of Cooperation
- ✓ Erasmus+ studies and placements
- ✓ Summer Schools
- ✓ Joint conferences/seminars etc
- ✓ Cooperation between UCY Research Centres and Think Tanks
- ✓ Cooperation in the promotion of Innovation



### **Possible Areas of Common Interest**

Medicine-Engineering-Education-Business  
Studies-History and Archaeology-Computer  
Science



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