



RESEARCH AND INNOVATION / PROJECTS



**Early oil spill prediction in the Gulf of Famagusta by the "Mediterranean Decision Support System for Maritime Safety" project**

The pioneering project MEDESS-4MS (Mediterranean Decision Support System for Marine Safety), co-financed by the Structural Funds of the European Union via the Med Programme and by National Resources, concerns the application of an integrated operational forecasting system for oil spill prediction in the entire Mediterranean. This system may be used not only by EU members but also by other countries. [More](#)

**Important Findings in the field of Embryology with potential applications in cancer**

The laboratory of Developmental Biology and Nanobiotechnology at the Department of Biological Sciences of the University of Cyprus has recently published important findings in the field of embryology in the prestigious journal Development. [More](#)

EDUCATION AND MOBILITY



**University of Cyprus Medical School**

The Medical School of the University of Cyprus has accepted its first students in September 2013 in a six year programme based at the University of Cyprus in Nicosia and at associated hospitals in Cyprus, predominantly within Nicosia. Its aim is to provide qualified medical practitioners who will be equipped to undertake a pre-registration year and then work in the health system in Cyprus and elsewhere. The course will promote the development of critical thinking skills, lifelong learning and excellence in patient-centered clinical practice. The aim is to graduate doctors suited for practice in the 21st century through an innovative, proven undergraduate curriculum underpinned by the academic excellence of the University of Cyprus. [More](#)

INTERNATIONAL EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES



**OPEN Exchange, Mobility and Cooperation between EU Universities and Enterprises with the rest of the World. Let's all meet in Cyprus** by Dr Gregoris A. Makrides

In the end of 2013, the European Union's Lifelong Learning Programme (LLP) 2007-2013, comes to an end after seven years duration. One of its most successful actions, since 1988, is the Erasmus programme, and more specifically the Erasmus mobility for higher education students. More than 3 million students participated in the programme since its start. The new programme that will replace the LLP is the "Erasmus +" programme. [More](#)

**Erasmus Staff Training Weeks**

In the context of the LLP/Erasmus Staff Mobility Program for the exchange of personnel for training, the University of Cyprus organized successfully three Erasmus staff Training weeks for administrative staff from European Universities in the years 2011, 2012 and 2013. [More](#)

## SOCIAL CONTRIBUTION AND PROGRAMMES



**The Administration Building "Anastasios G. Leventis" of the University of Cyprus classified as «Gold» & «Very Good», according to the international standards of sustainability LEED and BREEAM.**

On May 2013, the energy efficiency certification of the University of Cyprus administration building "Anastasios G. Leventis" was completed. The certification was accomplished entirely from collaboration of University members. Apart from energy efficiency, which was determined using the Cypriot software iSBEM-cy that provides an analysis of a building's energy consumption, the sustainability factor inherent in the life cycle of the building was also evaluated in accordance with international standards BREEAM and LEED. A detailed study was conducted by the graduate MSc student Ms. Eleftheria Polychronidou of the Department of Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering within the fulfilling of her postgraduate thesis. [More](#)

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