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**Friday 21 October 2022**  
**Mediterranean Beach Hotel,**  
**Limassol, Cyprus**

# 1<sup>ST</sup> EUROPEAN TEAMING CONFERENCE

**WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF  
CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE (CoE)**

## KEY TOPICS

- The Cyprus R&I Ecosystem
- Impact of CoEs to recovery and resilience efforts
- Lessons learnt and the future of Teaming Projects
- The importance of the European Teaming Club
- Business Model of CoEs and best practices
- Collaboration Opportunities

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## THE CONFERENCE

The 1<sup>st</sup> European Teaming Conference is organised by the Deputy Ministry of Research, Innovation and Digital Policy, as part of its commitment to invest in Research and Innovation (R&I), as key pillars of economic growth and social prosperity, and support the sustainable development of the Centres of Excellences in particular. Gathering representatives from all 24 European Projects funded under the Horizon 2020 "Teaming for Excellence" Programme – 6 of which are based in Cyprus – the European Commission and the Research Executive Agency, as well as stakeholders from the national R&I ecosystem, the Conference aims at serving as a platform for exchange of knowledge and experiences among the participants. The programme includes interesting, thought-provoking sessions making the event a great opportunity to share views and discuss common challenges.

## FRIDAY, 21 OCTOBER 2022

- 08:30 – 09:00 Registration and Welcome Coffee
- 09:00 – 09:05 Welcome Message by the Master of Ceremony  
**Melanie Steliou**, TV Presenter
- 09:05 – 09:25 **Opening Addresses**
- **Mr. Kyriakos Kokkinos**, Deputy Minister of Research, Innovation and Digital Policy, Republic of Cyprus
  - **Mariya Gabriel**, Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth, European Commission (Representative)
- 09:25 – 09:40 **Keynote Presentation: The Cyprus R&I Ecosystem**  
**Nikolas Mastrogiannopoulos**, Chief Scientist for Research and Innovation, Chairman, Research and Innovation Foundation (RIF)
- 09:40 – 09:55 **Keynote Presentation: Impact of CoEs to Recovery and Resilience Efforts**  
**Anthoula Charalambous Savvides**, Director of Recovery and Resilience Directorate, Directorate General Growth, Ministry of Finance, Republic of Cyprus
- 09:55 – 10:40 **Session 1: Lessons Learnt and the Future of Teaming Projects**
- Teaming program: expectations and impact so far
  - Key challenges, in particular sustainability
  - Future prospects and EC plans
- PRESENTERS:
- **Stefan Weiers**, Head of Sector, Widening Programming, DG R&I, European Commission
  - **Federica Roffi**, Deputy Head of Unit for Widening Participation, European Research Executive Agency (REA)
- MODERATOR:
- Stelios Himonas**, Permanent Secretary, Deputy Ministry of Research, Innovation and Digital Policy
- PANELISTS:
- **Constantinos Yiorkadjis**, Mayor of Nicosia, CYENS CoE
  - **Stefan Weiers**, Head of Sector, Widening Programming, DG R&I, European Commission
  - **Federica Roffi**, Deputy Head of Unit for Widening Participation, European Research Executive Agency (REA)
  - **Tilman Becker**, Director, RICAIP
  - **Andreja Kutnar**, Director, InnoRenew CoE
  - **Zacharias Siokouros**, CEO, Cyprus Marine and Maritime Institute, CMMI CoE
- 10:40 – 11:00 Q&A
- 11:00 – 11:30 Coffee Break / Networking
- 11:30 – 11:45 **Keynote Speech: The Importance of the European Teaming Club**  
**Andreja Kutnar**, Director, InnoRenew CoE

11:45 – 12:30

## Session 2: Sustainability

- Governance
- Business Model Development
- Communication and Extroversion

MODERATOR:

**Constantina Makri**, National Contact Point (NCP) and Programme Committee National Delegate for the Horizon Europe 'Widening Participation & Strengthening the ERA

PANELISTS:

- **Patricio Ortiz De La Torre**, Head of Sector, Widening Participation Unit, European Research Executive Agency (REA)
- **Ralf-Martin Soe**, Founding Director, FinEst Centre for Smart Cities
- **Jānis Ločs**, Coordinator, BBCE CoE
- **Sylvia Ilieva**, Director, GATE CoE
- **Jan Ostřížek**, Project manager, CETOCOEN CoE

12:30 – 12:45

Q&A

12:45 – 13:30

## Session 3: Collaboration Opportunities

- Synergies between CoEs
- Synergies with other funding programmes
- Interlink and collaboration with industry

MODERATOR:

**Minna Wilkki**, Head of Department, European Research Executive Agency (REA)

PANELISTS:

- **Stefan Weiers**, Head of Sector, Widening Programming, DG R&I, European Commission
- **Teresita Qvamstrom**, Senior Scientist, Senior Project Leader and Business Developer, RISE Research Institutes of Sweden (Advanced Partner), CAMART2 CoE
- **Anna Maria Trawińska**, Communication & Marketing Manager, Sano CoE
- **Jean Sciare**, Professor, Director, CARE-C CoE
- **Kalina Georgiades**, Project Manager, KIOS CoE
- **Maria Markidou Georgiadou**, Managing Director, Cyprus Seeds

13:30 – 13:45

Q&A

13:45 – 14:00

Closing Remarks by Deputy Ministry of Research, Innovation and Digital Policy Representative

14:00 – 15:30

Networking Lunch

## SPEAKERS

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## ORGANIZER



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Cyprus has set forth an aspirational vision for becoming a fit-for-the-future society and knowledge-based economy, enabled by digital technologies and innovation. The ultimate goal: drive economic competitiveness, stimulate business activity, create new jobs, elevate social prosperity and sustainable growth. Embarking towards this ambitious vision, the Deputy Ministry, with horizontal responsibilities over research and innovation and digital policy, has crafted a holistic strategy in the domains of eGovernment and Digital Skills, Connectivity, Communications and Space Technologies, Research as well as Innovative Entrepreneurship. Fostering a transformational ecosystem that goes beyond economic returns, concentrates on social outputs and stresses the importance of knowledge, as the basis of a strong, sustainable and more resilient development model.

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