

Handbook for Academic and Administrative Erasmus Incoming Staff







Dear Colleagues and Partners,

We are looking forward to welcoming you to Limassol and Cyprus University of Technology and we hope you are looking forward to it too! The following information is designed to assist you on arrival and during your stay here in Limassol. However, if you need any further information, please do not hesitate in contacting us!

Best wishes,

The CUT Erasmus Team!

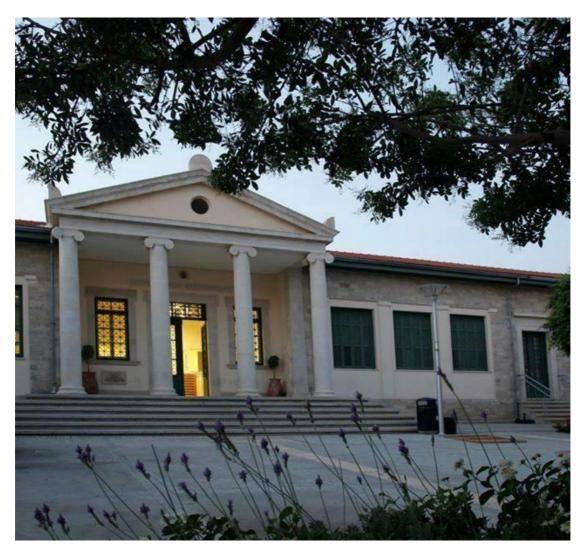


INTRODUCTION TO CYPRUS UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY

Cyprus University of Technology is a dynamic, modern place to study with a reputation for providing high quality education from undergraduate through to PhD level studies. Considered as a favorable destination for Cypriot students recent accolades have included: A Bronze accreditation (Investors in People). Well-established relationships with professional bodies, industrial organizations, government departments and research institutes ensure that all taught content is relevant and meets industry standards.

Our growing reputation for research reflects our interest in finding real solutions to real problems experienced by businesses and other organizations.

The University is located in the heart of the city center of Limassol.





INTRODUCTION TO LIMASSOL

Limassol is located between the ancient towns of Amathus and Curium. It is believed that Limassol was built after the destruction of Amathus in 1191. However, the town was inhabited since 2000 BC and other remains date back to the 8th and 4th century BC. The official record of the town's history starts in 1191 when Richard the Lionheart, his fiancée Berengaria and his sister Ioanna stopped in Limassol after a storm. There, Richard took over the island from the Isaac Comnenus, the Byzantine governor and later he married Berengaria crowding her Queen of England in Cyprus after destroying Amathus and moving all the residents to Limassol.

Since then, Cyprus was passed on to Templars, Franks and Germans until 1489 when it was sold to Venice. Around that time the Limassol Castle was destroyed and Cyprus was under a deep economic depression described by poverty and high taxes. In 1570 it was the Turks' turn to occupy and in 1878 the British's. After that period the first telegraph office, post office and hospital began operation. Schools, theaters, galleries, music halls, sports facilities and clubs brought development of the intellectual and cultural life.

Due to the port, Limassol had to opportunity to become one of the largest ports in East Mediterranean. Also, after the Turkish invasion in 1974 many refugees from Famagusta moved to Limassol which helped the town expand rapidly concerning tourism with luxury hotels, restaurants and entertainment. Today, the town has become a center of commerce and business.





Accommodation

We cannot stress enough how important it is for you to book your accommodation as early as possible.

Due to the requirements of Tourists available accommodation options can get fully booked well in advance. Therefore, we recommend that you book something as soon as you can. I would be grateful if you could let me know when you have booked your accommodation, and where you will be staying.

Here is a list of indicative hotels that you may use: ACCOMMODATION

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HOTEL	CONTACT INFORMATION	RATE 1 BED	RATE DOUBLE BED
Atlantica Miramare Hotel **	www.atlanticahotel.com 00357-25-888100	€95	€125
Kapetanios Limassol **	www.kapetaniosgroup.com 00357-25-591111	€55	€66
Curium Palace Hotel **	www.curiumpalacehotel.com.cy 00357-25-891100	€70	€85
Growne Plaza Limassol	http://limassol.crowneplaza.com 00357-25-851515	€170	€170
Alasia Hotel	www.alasiahotel.com.cy 00357-25-332000	€116	€146

** in all the above rates breakfast is included

Dates of Stay

We would also be grateful if you could let us know your travel arrangements, once you have made them, so that we know when you will be arriving and when you will be departing.



FROM THE AIRPORT TO LIMASSOL

ON ARRIVAL IN LARNANCA OR PAPHOS AIRPORT – GETTING TO YOUR ACCOMMODATION

The easiest and most economical way to reach Limassol is by bus (the Limassol airport express). We advise you to visit the page as at times changes in timetable may occur: <u>http://en.limassolairportexpress.eu/</u>

With only \in 9 per adult and \in 4 per child (3-12 years) one way (including VAT and luggage), the Limassol Urban Buses Company transfers you from Limassol to Larnaca or Paphos Airport and return with daily schedules, including weekends and public holidays to serve the transportation needs of all travelers. Timetables for Larnaca and Paphos found below



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Limassol Airpo



77 77 70 75 & 25 33 87 67 www.limassolairportexpress.eu

FROM & TO PAPHOS AIRPORT ITINERARY AS OF 14/05/2016

The fastest connection to the airports

MONDAY		TUESDAY		WEDNESDAY		THURSDAY		FRIDAY		SATURDAY		SUNDAY	
FROM AGIOS GEORGIOS HAVOUZAS	FROM PAPHOS AIRPORT												
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08:30	12:00	08:00	19:15	11:00	14:30	11:00	15:00	11:00	14:30	05:45	19:30	11:00	14:30
11:00	15:00	11:00	00:00	13:00	19:30	13:00	19:30	13:00	19:30	11:00	00:00	13:00	19:30
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We organize team of passengers for the above itineraries



FREE PARKING & WIFI AT AGIOS GEORGIOS HAVOUZAS STATION FOR ALL TRAVELLING



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GETTING TO THE CENTRE

Take the: Bus Route 30, Tourist Area - New Port (Limassol)

Getting to the Centre (Cyprus University of Technology) you either get off at

Christodoulou Hatzipavlou Stop or at Agia Napa Church Bus Stop

Monday to Friday

06:20-06:50 (every 30 minutes), 06:50-07:15 (every 25 minutes), 07:1509:00 (every 15 minutes), 09:00-12:40 (every 13 minutes), 12:40-16:00 (every 10 minutes), 16:00-17:05 (every 13 minutes), 17:05-18:50 (every 15 minutes), 18:50-22:30 (every 20 minutes)



Saturday

06:25-07:55 (every 30 minutes) , 07:55-19:15 (every 15 minutes) , 19:15-22:30 (every 20 minutes)

Sunday

07:00-08:00 (every 30 minutes) , 08:00-09:00 (every 20 minutes) , 09:00-19:15 (every 15 minutes) , 19:15-22:30 (every 20 minutes)

Journey Duration from start to finish: 50 minutes approximately

See the entire journey here:

http://www.cyprusbybus.com/busesmap.aspx

See the bus stops here:

http://www.cyprusbybus.com/RouteDetails.aspx?id=40

Bus Tickets and Fares

TICKETS

When using a bus it is necessary to hold a valid ticket through the duration of your journey. Tickets can be purchased on the bus.

TICKET TYPES

Single: valid for a single journey within a city and city suburbs from 04:00 until 21:00.

Night - Single: valid for a single journey within a city and city suburbs from 21:00 until 04:00.

Daily: valid for a single day to be used in journeys within a city and city suburbs from 04:00 until 21:00.

Weekly: valid for 7 days from 04:00 until 21:00 to be used in journeys within a city and city suburbs.

Monthly: valid for a month to be used in journeys within a city and city suburbs.

Intercity Daily: valid for all intercity and city bus routes for one day.



CITY BUS FARES

Fares within a city or a city suburb:

TICKET TYPE	ADULT FARE	STUDENT FARE
Daily Single	1,50	0,75
Night - Single	2,50	1,25
Daily Unlimited	5,00	2,50
Weekly	20,00	10,00
Monthly	40,00	20,00
Daily Intercity	15,00	-

* The above fares include V.A.T.

** The above fares include the luggage carriage for passengers.

*** University students of Cyprus Institutions are allowed 50% discount by showing their Student cards. Owners of Cypriot social card are allowed 50% discount.

**** For Evening Routes, from 21:00 until 04:00, "Monthly Ticket" and "Yearly Ticket" are valid, but "Daily Ticket" and "Weekly Ticket" are not valid

The following categories are travelling FREE at all times:

- Children up to 6 years old
- Pupils presenting their Pupil card

INTERCITY BUS FARES

Fares for intercity buses:

Adult Fares

BUS ROUTE	ONE WAY	DAILY	WEEKLY	MONTHLY	YEARLY
NICOSIA - LARNAKA	4	7	33	70	700
NICOSIA - LIMASSOL	5	9	44	100	100
NICOSIA - FAMAGUSTA DISTRICT	5	9	44	100	1000
NICOSIA - PAFOS	7	13	63	130	1300
LIMASSOL - PAFOS	4	7	33	70	700
LIMASSOL - LARNAKA	4	7	33	70	700



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F	LARNAKA - FAMAGUSTA DISTRICT	4	7	33	70	700
F	LIMASSOL - FAMAGUSTA DISTRICT	5	9	44	100	1000
L	LARNACA - PAPHOS	7	13	13	130	1300
F	PAPHOS - PARALIMNI	7	13	63	130	1300

<u>Taxis</u>

Conversely one can get a taxi from the airport Larnaca or Paphos, <u>http://www.taxilimassol.com/</u> or for moving around in the city

Please find information on the Routes and prices and be careful to ask for the price before getting in the taxi: <u>http://www.taxilimassol.com/limassol-taxi</u> <u>http://www.taxilimassol.com/limassol-taxi-prices-cost.htmlprices-cost.html</u>

Renting a Bike

BIKE SHARING STATIONS

(15 locations in Limassol)

Nextbike 77 Kitiou Kyprianou 77, 3041 Limassol Service and Rental: 77788323 Business customers: +357 97873299

Fax: +357 25104658 e-mail: info@nextbike.com.cy website: www.nextbike.com.cy

http://www.limassoltourism.com/en/transport/bike-sharing-stations/1-bike-sharing http://www.limassoltourism.com/en/transport/bike-sharing-stations/1-bikesharing-stations



WHILE IN LIMASSOL

Please follow the individual scheduled Program as agreed on your Training or Teaching Staff Agreement.

IT ACCESS DURING YOUR VISIT

For IT access during your visit, you can use your own laptop to access our

wireless network . A username and password will be provided to you.

Wireless Network

Username:

Password:

CONTACTING US DURING THE WEEK

Stavroula Antoniou is responsible for the administration of the Erasmus Programme.

Should you need any assistance whilst away from the University campus, you can phone Stavroula on 00 357 25 00 23 90 and 00 357 25 00 25 87. Alternatively you can contact Elena Onisiforou Clerical Assistant Officer on 00 357 25 00 25 38

RESTAURANTS, CAFES AND TOURIST ATTRACTIONS

There is an abundance of restaurants, cafes and tourist attractions in Limassol city Centre, ranging from traditional to modern.

Restaurants

There are so many restaurants in Limassol, that you will be spoiled for choice!

Restaurants can be found in:

The Saripolou Square, the most hot spot in town! At **Saripolou Street**, which are located near to University auspices, you can find several cafes, restaurants and bars such as Salut Bar, Blue Apple Bar & Grill, (In) Theory Cocktail Bar and Socialista Bar.

Map Saripolou Square: http://go.2gis.com/7zzoj



The Castle Area/Kastrou Square

There are also a number of bar / restaurants at the Castle Square, which is located in Richard & Berengaria of Navarre such as:

Ousia lounge café and bar, Eirinis 24, Limassol 3042

Antique café-restaurant, Tsianakkale 6A street, Limassol

Carob Mill Restaurants

Artima Bistro

Stretto Café Lounge-Bar

Draught Microbrewery

Map of the Castle Area: <u>http://go.2gis.com/7bl5</u>

The Limassol Marina and Old Port:

HOBO Mediterraneo, Limassol Marina St, Limassol,

Remezzo CafeResto, Old Port area Limassol,

Pyxida (Fish Tavern), Limassol Marina St,

EWINON Resto Bar, Limassol Marina St

Map of Limassol Marina: <u>http://go.2gis.com/c21s0</u>

CLUBS/ BARS

There are a lot of bars /clubs in Limassol, for every taste. The following Bars and Clubs are located in the city center, in Limassol Marina and in the sea side road/ Tourist area of Limassol.

La Isla Bar and Grill, Amathountos Avenue 17 Agios Tychon

Malindi Beach Bar and restaurant,

Marina Roof Bar , Limassol Marina

Library, 1 Themidos Street, Limassol

Lab. restaurant and bar, Odos Anexartisias, Limassol



Retro Metropole Club, Ifigenias street, Limassol

Breeze Summer Club, coastal area of Potamos Germasogeias

Cote d' Azur – Vasileos Georgiou A 88.

Dolce Club, 138, Amathus Avenue 4521 Agios Tychon Limassol,

Theatre/ Cinema

Rialto, 19 Andrea Droushioti, 3040 Limassol, Telephone Number: 7777745, <u>http://rialto.interticket.com/</u>

Tourist Attractions Historical & Archeological Monuments

Limassol is positioned between two of the most important historic citykingdoms, Amathus to the east and Kourion to the west. The city has the largest coastal resort on the island and thus became the central port of Cyprus. Some of the attractions are listed below, however Limassol has many hidden places worth to visit!

Amathus Archeological east of Limassol is one of the biggest ancient kingdoms of Cyprus, Amathus. It was an important city because of its port, which exported copper & timber. Amathus is built on the cliffs with amazing views of the sea and where historical artifacts of at least 3000 years are laid there.

Kolossi Castle a fine example of military architecture originally constructed in the13th century and subsequently rebuilt in its present form in the middle of the 15th century. The solid construction proved able to protect the castle through the ages, from the many earthquakes that happened in the area and most importantly through the stormy historic events of Cyprus, it provided security.

Kourion the second important ancient kingdom in Limassol where excavations continue to reveal impressive new treasures. Noted particularly for its magnificent Greco – Roman Theatre, Kourion is also proud home to stately villas with exquisite mosaic floors and an early Christian Basilica among other treasures. The city is built on the tip of the mountain with a breathtaking view of the sea.

The Castle of Limassol is located at the west end of the sea-front behind the old port, within the old town of Limassol. Originally, the castle stood on the seashore beside the river Garyllis; but the river altered its course in the 16th century and is now 100 yards further west. Excavations within the Castle revealed a marble podium from an early Christian basilica and the floor of a Middle Byzantium monument dated from the 10th or 11th century. A great place to visit and walk



through the old town where its medieval looking buildings take you to a different era.

Limassol Beaches

Ladies' Mile beach, Governor's beach, Kourion beach, Pissouri beach

Limassol District Archeological Museum

http://www.limassolmunicipal.com.cy/museum/index-eng.html Municipal

Museum of Folk Art

http://www.limassolmunicipal.com.cy/popular/index_en.html

TIPPING

Tipping is generally at the discretion of the customer, however, it is usual to leave a 10% tip for taxi drivers and in restaurants. It is not customary to tip bar staff. With regard to hotels, it is normal to leave ≤ 1 to ≤ 2 a day.

DRIVING ON THE LEFT

Like in the UK, in Cyprus, you drive on the left hand side of the right. What's more, because of the colonial influence of the UK in Cyprus, many of the road signs are similar, as are the traffic lights system. For non-UK Incoming Staff please be careful while crossing the road.

ELECTRICITY IN CYPRUS

Electricity in Cyprus is the same as in the UK – 240 volts, with a 3-pin electrical plug socket. Please bring an adaptor with you if your plug is not a 3-pin

SMOKING BAN

There is a smoking ban in Cyprus, which means that you cannot smoke inside buildings. Most hotels and restaurants have designated smoking areas.

WEATHER

Despite what you might have heard, we do joke that you can experience all four seasons in one day in Cyprus! Limassol is known for its warm sunshine although at night it is advisable that you carry a light jacket with you! The average temperature in summer is 30-35°C (April to June) and 15-25°C in the winter. (December-



March). During the summer months, please keep a hut in your personal belongings at all times and a bottle of water to refresh yourself, as temperatures during the day might be too warm!

SHOPPING

There is one shopping mall in Limassol MY MALL <u>http://mymall.com.cy/</u> and many shops to be found in Anexartisias Street. Directions on how to get to MY MALL can be found here: <u>http://mymall.com.cy/getting-here/</u>

BANKNOTES

As in many European countries, our currency is Euro.

EMERGENCY CONTACTS

You are expected to have your own private Health and care Insurance scheme during the whole duration of your visit. Hopefully you won't need to use the emergency services during your visit; however, these are the relevant contact details. If you are using an overseas mobile phone, you may need to use the relevant code for dialing CY (00 357).

Call 112 to reach emergency services - medical, fire or police - from anywhere in Europe. This Pan-European emergency number 112 can be called from any telephone (landline, pay phone or mobile cellular phone). Calls are free. Operators in Cyprus speak English; if you do not know your location they are able to geolocate you. **Use 112 for any life-threatening situation, including:**

- Serious medical problems (accident, unconscious person, severe injuries, chest pain, seizure)
- Any type of fire (house, car)
- Life-threatening situations (crimes)
 - **SOS 112**
 - Information on the 112 number from the European Commission website

Hospitals and Pharmacies/Chemists

Limassol: Old General Hospital Tel: 25 305 333

Limassol: New General Hospital Tel: 25 801 100 -

24-hour Pharmacies Tel: 90 90 1415



Hospital Information Tel: 1400

RCC Rescue Coordination Centre (air/sea rescue) Tel: 1441

Drugs/Narcotics/Poison Emergency Tel: 1401

Drug (anti-abuse support) Tel: 1410 / 1498

Doctors On Call Tel: 90 90 1432

** in all the above rates breakfast is included

Costs to be covered on the part of Cyprus University of Technology (please note that the following information concern only Incoming Erasmus+ **International Staff**) **Per Diem and Travelling**

Following the Erasmus+ funding, Invited Staff is to receive the per diem amount for the number of average funded days. Two days out of the average number concern travelling, one concerns inbound travelling from home country to Cyprus and another one outbound travelling, from Cyprus to home country.

The amount of the travel Grant approved from your country to Cyprus will be explained to you on the part of CUT Erasmus Office.

For costs exceeding the Erasmus+ funding (travelling and per diem) you are expected to compensate out of your income.

Grant Agreement and Training/Teaching Programme

Please return the Grant Agreement and the Training/Teaching Programmes once all information missing -highlighted in yellow- is filled on your part.