



CYPRUS CENTER FOR EUROPEAN AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

Symposium on the 50 years of the Republic of Cyprus

THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS AT CROSSROADS

Past, Present and Future

18-19 February 2010

UNESCO Amphitheater, Europa Building
University of Nicosia

Thursday, February 18:

Chair: Nicos Peristianis
President of the Council of the University of Nicosia

Introductory Comments:

09:40 – 09:45 Nicos Peristianis
President of the Council of the University of Nicosia

Welcoming Address:

09:45 – 09:50 Andreas Theophanous
*Director, Cyprus Center for European and International Affairs
University of Nicosia*

Opening Addresses:

09:50 – 10:30

Glafkos Clerides
Former President of the Republic of Cyprus

George Vassiliou
Former President of the Republic of Cyprus

Vassos Lyssarides
Former President of the House of Representatives of the Republic of Cyprus

I. HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

Chair: Van Coufoudakis
Rector Emeritus, University of Nicosia

10:30 – 10:50 Robert Holland
Professor of Imperial and Commonwealth History, University of London
“The Struggle Over Cyprus, 1950-1960: a Retrospective View”

10:50 – 11:10 Ismail Kemal
Researcher of Turkish Studies and Middle Eastern Studies, University of Cyprus
“Perspectives on the Formation and Implementation of the Turkish Cyprus’ Policy”

11:10 – 11:30 Costas Constantinou
Professor of Political Science, University of Nicosia
“Cypriot In-dependence: From Political to Mental States and Back”

11:30 – 12:00 **Discussion**

12:00 – 12:10 **Coffee Break**

- Chair:** **Andreas Theophanous**
Director, Cyprus Center for European and International Affairs
University of Nicosia
- 12:10 – 12:30 Diana Markides
Senior Research Fellow (retired), Institute of Commonwealth Studies, University of London
“An Unsettled Start: Federalism versus Majority Rule – Cyprus 1957-1963”
- 12:30 – 12:50 Nicos Peristianis
President of the Council of the University of Nicosia
“The Collapse of the Bi-Communal Republic”
- 12:50 – 13:10 **Discussion**
- 13:10 – 15:05 **Lunch Break**

II. THE 1974 DISASTER AND THE DAY AFTER: ECONOMIC, POLITICAL AND SOCIAL CHANGES

- Chair:** **Andreas Theophanous**
Director, Cyprus Center for European and International Affairs
University of Nicosia
- 15:05 – 15:35 Michael Sarris
Ex-Minister of Finance of the Republic of Cyprus
“The Cyprus Economy in Perspective: The Record and Future Prospects”
- 15:35 – 15:55 **Discussion**
- 15:55 – 16:05 **Coffee Break**

- Chair:** **Michalis Attalides**
Rector, University of Nicosia
- 16:05 – 16:25 Achilles Emilianides
Associate Professor of Law, University of Nicosia
“The New Political and Ideological Landscape in Cyprus After 1974”
- 16:25 – 16:45 Christina Ioannou
Lecturer of European Studies, University of Nicosia
“Responding to Social Challenges: Cypriot Industrial Relations at Historical Milestones”
- 16:45 – 17:05 Hubert Faustmann
Associate Professor of International Relations, University of Nicosia
“The State, Political Parties and the Citizen in Cyprus: Past, Present and Future”
- 17:05 – 17:35 **Discussion**
- 17:35 – 17:45 **Coffee Break**

III. THE REFERENDUM ON THE ANNAN PLAN AND THE ACCESSION OF THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS TO THE EU

- Chair:** **Emilios Solomou**
Campus Director, University of Nicosia
- 17:45 – 18:05 Van Coufoudakis
Professor Emeritus of Political Science, Indiana University-Purdue
“The Republic of Cyprus at 50: A History of ‘Lost Opportunities’ or of ‘Lost Opportunities’ to Dismantle the Republic of Cyprus?”
- 18:05 – 18:25 Angelos Syrigos
Lecturer of International Law, Panteion University, Athens
“International Precedents and the Cyprus Problem”
- 18:25 – 18:45 **Discussion**
- 18:45 – 19:30 **Reception**

Friday, February 19:

- Chair:** **Van Coufoudakis**
Rector Emeritus, University of Nicosia
- 09:15 – 09:35 Michalis Attalides
Professor of Sociology, University of Nicosia
“The Referendum of 2004: A Failure for Helsinki?”
- 09:35 – 09:55 Mete Hatay
PRIO, International Peace Research Institute, Cyprus Centre
“The Demographic Transformation in the northern Part of Cyprus and Broader Consequences”
- 09:55 – 10:15 **Discussion**
- 10:15 – 10:25 **Coffee Break**

IV. THE NEW ERA FOR CYPRUS: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES

- Chair:** **Van Coufoudakis**
Rector Emeritus, University of Nicosia
- 10:25 – 10:45 George Vassiliou
Former President of the Republic of Cyprus
“The Significance of Accession to the EU and the Implications for the Solution to the Cyprus Problem”
- 10:45 – 11:05 **Discussion**
- 11:05 – 11:15 **Coffee Break**

- Chair:** **Van Coufoudakis**
Rector Emeritus, University of Nicosia
- 11:15 – 11:35 Andreas Theophanous
Professor of Political Economy, University of Nicosia
“The Republic of Cyprus at Crossroads: Challenges and Opportunities”
- 11:35 – 11:55 Tozun Bahcheli
Professor of Political Science, King's University College at the University of Western Ontario
“The Evolution of the Turkish Cypriot Community, its Relations with Turkey and Future Prospects”
- 11:55 – 12:15 **Discussion**
- 12:15 – 12:25 **Coffee Break**

12:25 – 13:25 ROUND-TABLE DISCUSSION

- Chair:** **Andreas Theophanous**
Director, Cyprus Center for European and International Affairs
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