



# UNICA IRO MEETING

## 4–6 November 2026

### University of Cyprus



# Practical Information Package

Welcome  
to  
Cyprus...



..and to  
Nicosia!



## Arriving by plane at Larnaca/Paphos



There are two international airports in Cyprus. The two airports are based in Larnaca (Glafkos Klerides International Airport) and Paphos (Paphos International Airport) respectively and handle more than 7 million passengers annually between them. **Since the Turkish invasion in 1974, the Cyprus government declared Ercan International Airport an illegal port of entry to Cyprus and there are no direct flights to the occupied part of Cyprus other than from Turkey.**

For information about flights to Cyprus, please visit:  
<https://www.hermesairports.com/>

# Getting to Nicosia from the Airports

## By taxi

The use of the taximeter is mandatory by Law and for all the inland routes and destinations. However, from/to Larnaca & Pafos International Airports the fares are predefined and fixed. The same fares apply for weekends and national holidays. All fares include luggage services as well.

Travel to Nicosia by a private taxi from Larnaca Airport takes about 40 minutes. The distance is 50 km and the transfer will cost around €55 (day) - €65 (night).

The cost to get from Paphos to Nicosia by a private taxi is around €150 and it takes about 90 minutes.





## By shuttle bus

The cheapest way from the Airports to get to Nicosia is by shuttle bus. The Kapnos Airport Shuttle bus fare (one way) from Larnaca airport to Nicosia is €10, while the bus fare (one way) from Paphos airport to Nicosia is €20.

Children below the age of 12 travel for free.

The travel time from Larnaca-Glaftos Klerides International Airport to Nicosia is around 40 minutes, while travel time from Paphos International Airport to Nicosia is around 1 hour and 40 minutes.

The final stop of the shuttle bus from Larnaca and Paphos Airports is Kyrenias Ave.

You can check the schedules and prices here:  
[Kapnos Airport Shuttle](#)

**Venue:** University of Cyprus  
1 Panepistimiou Avenue  
2109 Aglantzia, Nicosia

UCY has arranged for transfer to/from the Venue. Buses will leave the city centre from a specific meeting point, which will be announced later.

However, to arrive at the Venue from the city centre, there are 2 options:

**1st Option:**

Take the bus “Line 33” from Dionysios Solomos Square A, Destination “University of Cyprus”.

Exit at “University of Cyprus-North Campus Entrance” – make sure you get off at the first UCY station when you arrive, as there are another 2 after the first! You can also ask the driver to make sure you have arrived!

<https://www.publictransport.com.cy/routes/page/routes-and-timetables>

Duration: 26–30 minutes

Estimated cost: €2,40 (single route)

**2nd Option:**

Taxi – approx. 20 minutes

Estimated cost: €15

**Bolt** is also present in Cyprus.

**REMEMBER:** THERE ARE TWO UNIVERSITY CAMPUSES – YOU MUST COME TO THE ONE IN **AGLANTZIA**, **NOT** IN KALLIPOLEOS AVENUE.



# ACCOMMODATION

UCY has contacted the following hotels and secured a number of rooms at special rates, specifically for the UNICA IRO Meeting. Please mention the UNICA IRO Meeting at UCY when booking a room.

Due to the limited number of available rooms, we recommend making your reservations as soon as possible.



## Cleopatra Hotel 4\*

| [www.cleopatra.com.cy/cleopatra](http://www.cleopatra.com.cy/cleopatra) |

t: +357 22 844000

8 Florinis Street, 1065 Nicosia

email: [info@cleopatra.com.cy](mailto:info@cleopatra.com.cy)

Standard Single Room B/B: €110 per night  
Standard Twin or Double Room: B/B €130 per night



## The Landmark Nicosia

| <https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/lcanl-the-landmark-nicosia-autograph-collection/overview/> | t: +357 22 377777

98 Arch. Makarios III Avenue, Nicosia, Cyprus, 1077

email: [info@thelandmarknicosiatowers.com](mailto:info@thelandmarknicosiatowers.com)

Comfort King Room, 25 m2

Single Occupancy B/B: €220/night

Double Occupancy B/B: €240/night

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## **Semeli Hotel 3\***

|[www.semelihotel.com.cy](http://www.semelihotel.com.cy)| t: +357 22452121

10 Petraki Giallourou Street, 1077 Nicosia

Email: [hotel@semelihotel.com.cy](mailto:hotel@semelihotel.com.cy)

Standard Single Room B/B: €98.00 per night

Standard Double/Twin Room B/B: €118.00 per night

Junior Suite for Single Occupancy B/B: €108.00 per night

Junior Suite for Double Occupancy B/B: €128.00 per night



## **Almond Business Hotel\***

|[www.almondbusinesshotel.com](http://www.almondbusinesshotel.com)| t: +357 22 879131

5th March Street, no 11, Ayioi Omologites, 1087

Nicosia

Email: [info@almondbusinesshotel.com](mailto:info@almondbusinesshotel.com)

Single Room B/B: €160/per night

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## MAP Boutique Hotel

| [www.maphotel.com.cy](http://www.maphotel.com.cy) | t: +35722444999

15, Stasinou Avenue, 1060, Stasinou, Nicosia

email: [reservations@maphotel.com.cy](mailto:reservations@maphotel.com.cy)

Standard Room (5 rooms available) B/B: € 188 per night

Essential Room (10 rooms available) B/B: € 197 per night

Iconic Deluxe Room (5 rooms available) B/B: € 214 per night



## Gate Twenty-Two Boutique Hotel

| [www.gate22hotel.com](http://www.gate22hotel.com) | t: +357 22 010 022

23, Konstantinou Palaiologou Avenue, 1015 Nicosia

email: [soteroulla@gate22hotel.com](mailto:soteroulla@gate22hotel.com)

Single Room B/B: € 130 per night

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## The Hilton Nicosia

| <https://www.hilton.com/en/hotels/niclehi-hilton-nicosia/> | t: +357 22695042

11 Achaion Street, 2413 Engomi  
P.O Box 21390, 1507 Nicosia, Cyprus

email: [hilton.nicosia@hilton.com](mailto:hilton.nicosia@hilton.com)

Single Room B/B: € 193 per night

# The City of Nicosia



Nicosia (Lefkosia) was divided back in 1974, as a result of the Turkish invasion on the island, and is today the last divided capital in the world.

Cosmopolitan, glamorous and bustling, the capital of Nicosia is uniquely comprised of an ancient, walled city and a modern, fast-paced metropolis that is the epicentre of the island's business and commercial activity.

There is no end to the options that Nicosia provides, blending the current with the traditional. Its retail experience ranges from town centres and malls to traditional shopping quarters of winding streets. Its leisure and nightlife is a mixture of the popular and exclusive, with trendy bars that nestle amidst old, historically rich monuments. A wealth of interesting galleries and museums mix with fun entertainment for all the family. And its selection of cuisine is equally as diverse as its overall character.

All at once, you will be transported back to Medieval times at the ancient city that is surrounded by Venetian walls and heart-shaped bastions, and yet, just a heartbeat away you are undoubtedly in a progressive, European capital.

As you leave the city and enter the rural areas of the region, a different world unfolds; tranquil and picturesque, stretching across countryside and mountain villages, and offering further pursuits such as hiking and cycling in traditional surroundings.

A city always on the go, the many layers of Nicosia's various attractions and features make it the island's capital in every sense.

You can find Nicosia Maps [HERE](#)

# The City of Nicosia

## Main attractions:

### Venetian Walls (Famagusta Gate)

Famagusta Gate is one of the three entrances into old Nicosia through the Venetian walls. The walls have a perimeter of 4.5 km, with eleven heart-shaped bastions and completely encircle the old city. The eastern gate (Porta Giuliana), known nowadays as Famagusta Gate, has been restored and operates as the Nicosia Municipal Cultural Centre.



### Laiki Geitonia (Traditional Neighbourhood)

This pedestrian area within the walled city has seen the restoration of houses that are typical examples of traditional Cypriot urban architecture and are used today as shops, restaurants and craft centres.

### Cyprus Museum

The Cyprus Museum is the island's main and largest archaeological museum, and charts the development of Cyprus' civilisation from the Neolithic Age to the Early Byzantine period (7th century). The museum's collections are comprised of finds from extensive excavations from all over the island that have helped the development of Cyprus' archaeology, as well as its research into the cultural heritage of the Mediterranean.



### Ethnographic Museum of Cyprus

The Ethnographic Museum of Cyprus, housed on the ground floor of the old Archbishopric, consists of a large collection of 19th and early 20th century Cypriot folk art exhibits. It includes wood-carved objects, tapestry, embroidery, pottery, Cypriot folk costumes and hand-woven textiles made on a loom.



The weather in Cyprus during November sees a gentle slide into cooler conditions. The atmosphere is comfortable, with reasonable humidity levels and plenty of sunny intervals.

During the day, Cyprus enjoys pleasant temperatures that are warm without being overly hot. Sunshine is abundant, providing a welcoming environment for outdoor excursions. The mild humidity adds to overall comfort, perfect for daytime exploration and sightseeing.

As night falls, temperatures drop to cooler levels, making for a refreshing atmosphere. Breezes are mild, and humidity remains moderate, ensuring comfort for evening walks or relaxed dining outdoors.

## WEATHER



Average Temperature: 15°C to 22°C

Rainfall: Approximately 60 mm throughout the month

Sunshine Hours: Up to 7 hours per day

Sea Temperature: 22°C

So...Don't forget to bring:

- Comfortable shoes
- Layered clothing
- Light jacket (for night)
- Hat
- Umbrella (for the occasional rain)

# Useful Info

## LANGUAGE

English is the official language of the EVENT. No simultaneous translation will be provided.

## TIME

Time in Cyprus is in the Eastern European Time Zone. Cyprus local time is 2 hours ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT+2). Like most countries in Europe, daylight saving time is in practice in Cyprus.

## CURRENCY AND BANKING

The currency in Cyprus is the Euro.  
ATMs are accessible 24/7 and they can be found all over the city.

## TELEPHONE

Country code for Cyprus: + 357

City code for Nicosia: 22

## ELECTRICITY

Cyprus operates on a 230V supply voltage and 50Hz and the associated plug type is G, which is the plug that three rectangular pins in a triangular pattern.

## FUSES

The fuses in Cyprus are 3-pole and not 2-pole so make sure you have the correct fuse for your electronic equipment.

## SMOKING

Smoking is not allowed in indoor public places in Cyprus.

## LOCAL TIPS

Please avoid:

- water from the tap
- throwing toilet paper into the toilet

## TOURIST SERVICES

Cyprus Tourist Information Centre  
t.: 22674262

## [INTERCITY BUSES](https://intercity-buses.com/)

(<https://intercity-buses.com/>)  
t.: 80007789

## DEPUTY MINISTRY OF TOURISM

Email: [cytoure@visitcyprus.com](mailto:cytoure@visitcyprus.com)  
t.: (+357) 22691100

# Emergency Contacts

In case of emergency, immediate response is given by the following telephone numbers, where English is spoken:

Island-wide:

- Ambulance, Fire Service, Police: 112
- Night Pharmacies: 11892

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