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## UCY RESIDENCE HALLS TO BE NAMED AFTER ANCIENT CYPRIOTE KINGDOMS AND UNIVERSITY'S BENEFACTORS

*Rector: "Our students do not forget our roots, this nation's history. The generosity of our benefactors is remembered through buildings that house future generations"*



The University of Cyprus (UCY) announces the decision to name the twelve (12) buildings of the Residence Halls after both the city-kingdoms of ancient Cyprus and the UCY's greatest benefactors. The ancient names of the Cypriote kingdoms are: Paphos (Πάφος), Salamis (Σαλαμίνα), Soloi (Σόλοι), Kourion (Κούριο), Chytroi (Χύτροι), Kition (Κίτιο), Amathus (Αμαθούντα),

Idalion (Ιδάλιον), Ledrai, (Λήδρα), Tamassos (Ταμασσός), Lapethos (Λάπηθος) and Marion (Μάριο). Moreover, each building will combine as well the name of its benefactor. In this way, the University commemorates on the one hand the ancient history of our nation, transmitting to new generations our historical values, and, on the other hand, honors its benefactors, who have generously supported the Institution throughout its path of development, since its inception.

The University's modern Residential Halls located on the new campus (Athalassa area) house today 208 students in its 208 apartment-style units. In 2016, the students living at the Halls took part in the SAVES program and won the first place in



energy savings amongst the numerous participating Universities from Europe.

The unanimous decision has been recently taken by the Rector's Council, following the evaluation of the 59 proposals submitted by the members of the university community. The approved naming of the Halls was proposed by Dimitris Dimitriou, a PhD student of the Department of Social and Political Sciences.

*"The young generation, our students, do not forget our roots, this nation's history. They know very well how to preserve it. Moreover, UCY community honors its benefactors, and it is only fitting that their generosity be remembered through buildings that house future generations, as they begin their lives at UCY campus,"* said Rector, Professor Constantinos Christofides.

**End of announcement**