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1. Introduction

1.1 - State Party

Cyprus

1.2 - Date of ratification of the World Heritage Convention 14/08/1975

1.3 - Entities involved in the preparation of Section I of the **Periodic Reporting**

Governmental institutions responsible for cultural and natural heritage **UNESCO** National Commission

1.4 - Primary government authorities responsible for the implementation of the Convention

 Marina Solomidou-Leronymydou Cyprus **Curator of Antiquities**

Monuments Sector

Comment

Correct name: Marina Solomidou-leronymidou Correct title: Acting Director/Curator of Antiquities

1.5 - Other key institutions responsible

 Director of the Department Department of Town Planning and Housing Domain: cultural

 Director of the Department Department of Environment

Domain: natural

• Director of the Department Department of Forests Domain: natural

 Director of the Department **Geological Survey Department**

Domain: natural

1.6 - Comments

2. Inventories / lists / registers for cultural and natural heritage

2.1 - Cultural Heritage (Level and Status)

	Process completed or continually updated
Regional / provincial / state	Not applicable
Local	Not applicable
Other (please provide details in 2.7)	Not applicable

2.2 - Natural Heritage (Level and Status)

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National	Process completed or continually updated
Regional / provincial / state	Not applicable
Local	Not applicable
Other (please provide details in 2.7)	Not applicable

2.3 - Are inventories/lists/registers adequate to capture the diversity of cultural and natural heritage in the State Party?

Inventories / lists / registers capture the full diversity of cultural and natural heritage.

2.4 - Are inventories / lists / registers used to protect the identified cultural heritage?

Inventories / lists / registers are frequently used for the protection of cultural heritage.

2.5 - Are inventories / lists / registers used to protect the identified natural heritage?

Inventories / lists / registers are frequently used for the protection of natural heritage.

2.6 - Are inventories / lists / registers used for the identification of properties for the Tentative List?

Inventories / lists / registers are frequently used for the identification of potential World Heritage Properties.

2.7 - Comments, conclusions and / or recommendations related to inventories / lists / registers of cultural and natural heritage (questions 2.1 to 2.6)

3. Tentative List

3.1 - Potential future nominations (Property name / anticipated year of nomination)

The rural settlement of Fikardou / not known /	
Troodos Mountain Olympus / not known /	

3.2 - Tools used for a preliminary assessment of the potential Outstanding Universal Value

Meetings to harmonize Tentative Lists within your region

3.3 - Level of involvement in the preparation of the **Tentative List**

National government institution(s)	Good
Regional / provincial / state / government(s)	Fair
Local government(s)	Not applicable
Other government departments	Good
UNESCO National Commission	No involvement
Local authorities within or adjacent to the property	No involvement
Local communities / residents	No involvement
Indigenous peoples	Not applicable
Landowners	No involvement
Local industries	No involvement
Non Governmental Organization(s)	No involvement
Consultants / experts	No involvement
Site manager / coordinator(s)	Not applicable

3.4 - Was the authority(ies) listed in question 1.4 responsible for the approval and submission of the **Tentative List?**

Yes

3.5 - If not, what authority(ies) is responsible for the approval and submission of the Tentative List?

3.6 - Do you intend to update your Tentative List within the next six years?

Yes

3.7 - Comments

4. Nominations

4.1 - Property

Name	Date of submission	Status
Paphos	1979-03-05	inscribed
Kourion	1984-12-28	deferred
Choirokoitia	1996-09-26	inscribed
Choirokoitia	2010-02-01	referred
Choirokoitia	2011-01-19	referred
Choirokoitia	2012-02-22	inscribed
Wine Village Terraces	2002-02-05	not inscribed
Village of Fikardou	2004-02-03	Incomplete
Painted Churches in the Troodos Region	1984-12-28	inscribed
Painted Churches in the Troodos Region	2000-07-03	inscribed
Church of Agios Sozomenos, Galata and Church of Agios Mamas, Louvaras (Extension to the Painted Churches in the Troodos Region)	2004-02-03	withdrawn

Comment

Property 350 was deferred in 1985. Property 1122 was not inscribed on the list in 2004 according to decision 28 COM 14B.38. The extension to 351bis was inscribed in 2001.

4.2 - Involvement in recent nominations

National government institution(s)	Good
Regional / provincial / state government(s)	Fair
Local government(s)	Not applicable
Other government departments	Good
UNESCO National Commission	Fair
Local authorities within or adjacent to the property	Good
Local communities / residents	Good
Indigenous peoples	Not applicable
Landowners	Fair
Local industries	Not applicable
Non Governmental Organization(s)	Fair
Consultants / experts	Good
Site manager / coordinator	Not applicable

4.3 - Perceived benefits of inscribing properties on the World Heritage List

Strengthened protection of sites (legislative, regulatory, institutional and / or traditional)	High benefit
Enhanced conservation practices	High benefit
Catalyst for wider community appreciation of heritage	Some benefit
Improved presentation of sites	High benefit
Enhanced honour / prestige	High benefit
Increased funding	Some benefit
Additional tool for lobbying / political influence	High benefit
Stimulus for enhanced partnerships	Some benefit
Increased recognition for tourism and public use	High benefit

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Stimulus for economic development in surrounding communities	Some benefit
Others (please provide details in 4.4)	Not applicable

4.4 - Comments

5. General Policy Development

5.1 - Legislation

Comment

The national legislation in force can be seen below. The amended Regulations (2012, 2013) of the Antiquities Law are also in effect.

5.2 - Legislation not listed in 5.1

The Antiquities Law (Cap.31) / 1935 (amended in 1964, 1973, 1995, 1996, 2006, 2012, 2013) / National / Cultural / http://www.mcw.gov.cy/mcw/da/da.nsf/DMLlaw_en/DMLlaw_en?OpenDocument

The return of Cultural Goods Law No 183 (1) / 2002 / National / Cultural / http://www.mcw.gov.cy/mcw/da/da.nsf/DMLlaw_en/DMLlaw_en?OpenDocument

The Export of Cultural Goods Law No 182 (1) / 2001 / National / Cultural / http://www.mcw.gov.cy/mcw/da/da.nsf/DMLlaw_en/DMLlaw_en?OpenDocument

5.3 - Comment

The Antiquities Law provides the definition of Antiquity and Ancient Monuments covering prehistory up to 1850 or 1940. The Law defines how listing of monuments is conducted and how ownership is regulated, the definition of Controlled Areas for their protection, who is entitled of an excavation permit and others, while new regulations address more current issues such as control over metal detectors.

5.4 - Is the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulations) adequate for the identification, conservation and protection of the State Party's cultural and natural heritage?

The legal framework is adequate for the identification, conservation and protection of cultural and natural heritage.

5.5 - Can the legal framework (i.e. legislation and / or regulations) for the identification, conservation and protection of the State Party's cultural and natural heritage be enforced?

Existing capacity/resources to enforce the legal framework could be strengthened.

5.6 - Other International Conventions adhered

Cyprus has adhered to 14 International Conventions for the protection of cultural heritage. A complete list of the said Conventions can be found in the following link: http://www.mcw.gov.cy/mcw/da/da.nsf/DMLlaw_en/DMLlaw_en?OpenDocument

5.7 - Implementation of International Conventions into national policies

There is adequate coordination and integration.

5.8 - States Party's policies to give heritage a function in the life of communities

There are policies that are effectively implemented.

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5.9 - Integration of heritage into comprehensive / larger scale planning programmes

There are policies but there are some deficiencies in their implementation.

5.10 - Comments

6. Status of Services for Protection, Conservation and Presentation

6.1 - To what degree do the principal agencies / institutions responsible for cultural and natural heritage cooperate in the identification, conservation, protection and presentation of this heritage?

There is effective cooperation between principal agencies / institutions for the conservation and protection of cultural and natural heritage.

6.2 - To what degree do other government agencies cooperate in the identification, conservation, protection and presentation of natural and cultural heritage?

All principal agencies / institutions for the conservation and protection of cultural and natural heritage are effectively cooperating with other government agencies.

6.3 - To what degree do different levels of government cooperate in the identification, conservation, protection and presentation of cultural and natural heritage?

Different levels of government cooperate effectively for the conservation and protection of cultural and natural heritage.

6.4 - Are the services provided by the agencies / institutions adequate for the conservation, protection and presentation of World Heritage properties in your country?

There is adequate capacity within services to conserve, protect and present World Heritage properties.

6.5 - Comments

7. Scientific and Technical Studies and Research

7.1 - Is there a research programme or project specifically for the benefit of World Heritage properties?

There is some research specifically addressing World Heritage.

7.2 - Research projects

 Placing digital temperature sensors in the ten Painted Churches of the Troodos Region designated as UNESCO World Heritage Monuments / January 2014 Regional

Cultural

not available

Monitoring of internal temperatures, with the resulting data utilized in a comprehensive study to be included in the preparation of a management plan for the site.

7.3 - Comments

8. Financial Status and Human Resources

8.1 - Sources of funding

National government funds	Major source of sustained funding
Other levels of government (provincial, state, local)	Not applicable
International assistance from the World Heritage Fund	Not applicable
International multilateral funding (e.g. World Bank, IDB, European Union)	Not applicable
International bilateral funding (e.g. AFD, GTZ, DGCS, GEF, etc.)	Not applicable
NGOs (international and / or national)	Minor source of fixed term funding
Private sector funds	Minor source of fixed term funding
Other (Please specify in 8.6)	Not applicable

8.2 - Involvement of State Party in the establishment of foundations or associations for raising funds and donation for the protection of World Heritage

8.3 - National policies for the allocation of site revenues for conservation and protection of cultural and natural heritage

No

8.4 - Is the current budget sufficient to conserve, protect and present cultural and natural heritage effectively at the national level?

The available budget is sufficient but further funding would enable more effective conservation, protection and presentation to meet international best practice standards.

8.5 - Are available human resources adequate to conserve, protect and present cultural and natural heritage effectively at the national level?

Human resources are adequate but additional staffing would enable more effective conservation, protection and presentation to meet international best practice standards.

8.6 - Comments

9. Training

9.1 - Formal training / educational institutions / programs

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9.2 - Training needs

Conservation	Medium priority
Education	Medium priority
Promotion	High priority
Interpretation	Medium priority
Administration	Medium priority

Visitor management	Medium priority
Community outreach	Medium priority
Risk preparedness	Medium priority
Enforcement (custodians, police)	Medium priority
Other	Not applicable

9.3 - Does the State Party have a national training/ educational strategy to strengthen capacity development in the field of heritage conservation, protection and presentation?

There is a national strategy for capacity development in the field of heritage conservation, protection and presentation but there are some deficiencies in implementation.

9.4 - Comments

Concerning question 9.1 there is no formal training, or educational institutions, or programs focusing particularly on Wold Heritage.

10. International Cooperation

10.1 - Cooperation with other States Parties

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Bi-lateral and multi-lateral agreements
Participation in foundations for international cooperation
Sharing expertise for capacity building
Hosting and / or attending international training courses/seminars
Distribution of material / information

10.2 - Twinned World Heritage properties with others No

10.3 - Comments

11. Education, Information and Awareness Building

11.1. Media used for World Heritage sites promotion

11.1.1 - Publications

nformation	
wareness Raising	
ducation	
nternational	
lational	
Regional	
ocal	

11.1.2 - Films / TV

Information	
Awareness Raising	
Education	
International	
National	
Regional	
Local	

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11.1.3 - Media campaigns

Information
Awareness Raising
National
Regional
Local

11.1.4 - Internet

Information	
Awareness Raising	
Education	
International	
National	
Regional	
Local	

11.1.5 - Postage stamps, medals

Awareness Raising	
International	
National	
Regional	

11.1.6 - World Heritage Day

Information
Awareness Raising
Education
National
Regional
Local

11.1.7 - Translation and diffusion of publications made available by the World Heritage Centre

Information	
Awareness Raising	
National	
Regional	
Local	

11.1.8 - Other (please specify in 11.1.8)

Not applicable	
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11.1.9 - Comments

Concerning question 11.1.7 publications of the World Heritage Center have not been translated into Greek, with the exception of the leaflet published on the occasion of the 40th Anniversary of the World Heritage Convention.

11.2. Education, Information and Awareness Building

11.2.1 - Strategy to raise awareness among different stakeholders

There are strategies to raise awareness about conservation, protection and presentation of World Heritage but there are some deficiencies in implementation.

11.2.2 - Level of general awareness

Private Sector	Fair
Youth	Fair

Communities living in/around heritage sites	Good
Tourism industry	Good
Decision makers and public officials	Good
Indigenous peoples	Not Applicable
General public	Fair

11.2.3 - Does the State Party participate in UNESCO's World Heritage in Young Hands programme?

The State Party participates in UNESCO's World Heritage in Young Hands programme.

11.2.4 - Level of frequency of activities

Courses for teachers for the use of the World Heritage in Young Hands Kit	Never
Courses/activities for students within the school programmes	Never
Youth Forums	Occasionally
Skills-training courses for students	Never
Organized school visits to World Heritage properties/cultural and natural sites	Regularly
Activities linked to heritage within the framework of UNESCO Clubs/Associations	Regularly
Other (comment below)	Never

11.2.5 - Comments

12. Conclusions and Recommended Actions

12.1. State Party's implementation of the World Heritage Convention

12.1.1 - Identification of heritage

Identification of heritage

Inventories / lists / registers capture the full diversity of cultural and natural

Inventories / lists / registers are frequently used for the identification of potential World Heritage Properties

12 1 2 - National Inventories

12.1.2 - National Inventories
National Inventories
National : Process completed or continually updated
Regional / provincial / state : Not applicable
National : Process completed or continually updated
Regional / provincial / state : Not applicable

12.1.3 - Tentative List

Yes	

12.1.4 - Legal framework

Legal framework

Existing capacity/resources to enforce the legal framework could be strengthened.

12.1.5 - Implementation of international conventions within national policies

Implementation of international conventions within national policies

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12.1.6 - Communities

Communities
Local communities / residents: No involvement
Level of involvement / consultation of local landowners: Not applicable
Level of involvement / consultation of local industries: No involvement
Local communities / residents: Good
Indigenous peoples: Not applicable
Landowners: Fair

12.1.7 - Larger-scale planning

Larger-scale planning

There are policies but there are some deficiencies in their implementation.

12.1.8 - Status of Services for Protection, Conservation and Presentation

Status of Services for Protection, Conservation and Presentation

Different levels of government cooperate effectively for the conservation and protection of cultural and natural heritage.

12.1.9 - Scientific and Technical Studies and Research

Scientific and Technical Studies and Research

There is some research specifically addressing World Heritage.

12.1.10 - Financial status

Financial status

The available budget is sufficient but further funding would enable more effective conservation, protection and presentation to meet international best practice standards.

12.1.11 - Human resources

Human resources are adequate but additional staffing would enable more effective conservation, protection and presentation to meet international best practice standards.

12.1.12 - Training

Training

There is a national strategy for capacity development in the field of heritage conservation, protection and presentation but there are some deficiencies in implementation.

12.1.13 - International cooperation

International cooperation Bi-lateral and multi-lateral agreements Participation in foundations for international cooperation Sharing expertise for capacity building Hosting and / or attending international training courses/seminars Distribution of material / information

12.1.14 - Education, Information and awareness building

Education, Information and awareness building		
Private Sector : Fair		
Youth : Fair		
Communities living in/around heritage sites : Good		

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12.2. Actions for the implementation of the *World Heritage Convention* (identified from table 12.1).

12.2.1 - Please select the top issues (up to six)

Please refer to question 5.2

12.3. Priority Actions Assessment

12.3.2 - Priority actions assessment

5 General Policy Development						
		Action	Short description	Authority(ies) responsible		May this action require International Assistance from the World Heritage Fund?
5.7	adequate coordination	International Conventions as they are set in effect are considered national legislation.	enforced by the appropriate governmental departments and coordination among all involved departments is necessary.	Department of Antiquities, Department of Town Planning and Housing, Department of Environment, Department of Forests, Geological Survey Department, Department of Lands and Surveys		No.

12.3.3 - Additional actions for the implementation of the World Heritage Convention

13. Assessment of the Periodic Reporting Exercise

13.1 - Was the questionnaire easy to use and clear to understand?

Yes

13.2 - Please provide suggestions for improvement:

The questionnaire should be shorter and more comprehensive and more choices for answers should be provided to allow further flexibility. The occasional repetitive nature of quite a number of questions should be limited.

13.3 - Please rate the level of support from the following entities for completing the Periodic Report questionnaire

World Heritage Centre	Good
UNESCO (other sectors)	Not applicable
UNESCO National Commission	Good
ICOMOS International	Not applicable
IUCN International	Not applicable
ICCROM	Not applicable
ICOMOS national / regional	Not applicable
IUCN national / regional	Not applicable

13.4 - How accessible was the information required to complete the Periodic Report?

Most required information was accessible

13.5 - Please rate the follow-up to conclusions and recommendations from the previous Periodic Reporting exercise by the following entities

UNESCO	Good
Advisory Bodies	Good
State Party	Good
Site Managers	Not applicable

13.6 - Comments

14. Thank you