

Citizen Empowerment Course

Lesson Plan | Module 6





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Module Title:	Cypriot Active Citizens				
Module Learning Objectives	 Upon the completion of this learning unit, learners should be able to: Demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of the NGO landscape in Cyprus, including its structure, functions, and challenges. Identify and articulate the step-by-step procedures and legal requirements involved in setting up an NGO in Cyprus, ensuring a solid foundation for their initiatives. 				
Module Duration:	3 Hours (180 minutes)				
Materials/Equipment	 Training venue with IT equipment including laptop and projector Internet connection Flipchart and markers Electronic device (mobile or computer) for each learner (optional) A notebook and a pen for each learner 				
Resources/ References	 Associations Law Booklet (April 2018). Civil Society Advocates. Guide: Developments for NGOs, Legislative changes regarding associations, foundations, clubs, and federation. May 2018. Retrieved from: https://ngosc.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/BOOKLET-Associations-Law-Apr2018-ENG.pdf Christophi & Associates LLC. How to Set Up an NGO in Cyprus. Retrieved from: https://www.lawyer.com.cy/how-to-set-up-an-ngo-in-cyprus/ Cyprus Law on organisations and foundations and other related matters of 2017 (Ο περί Σωματείων και Ιδρυμάτων και για Άλλα Συναφή Θέματα Νόμος του 2017) N. 104(I)/2017. Retrieved from: http://www.cylaw.org/nomoi/arith/2017_1_104.pdf European Civic Forum. (2023). Civic Space Report 2023 Cyprus. Retrieved from https://civic-forum.eu/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/Civic-Space-Report-2023-CYPRUS-European-Civic-Forum.pdf NGO Support Center. Retrieved from: https://ngo-sc.org/ 				



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Unit 1:	: NGOs Landscape in Cyprus				
	Learning Activities	Duration	Training methods	Materials	Handouts and Activity sheets
	Introduction	10 min	Presentation	■ Internet	Presentation (
	Ask the learners to share whether they are aware of any NGOs in Cyprus		Reflection	Connection	PPT_Module
			Team Discussion	■ Electronic	6_Unit 1)
				device with	
				access to the	
				internet for	
				each learner	
				Projector	
	Foundations of NGOs	50 min	Presentation	Internet	Presentation (
	Go over the slides that outline:			Connection	PPT_Module
	■ The Cypriot civil society sector			Electronic	6_Unit 1)
	 The areas of expertise of the Cypriot civil society sector 			device with	
	 Legal personalities recognized by the Cypriot law 			access to the	
	 Basics of the Cyprus NGO legal structure. 			internet for	
	■ The authorities central for NGOs			each learner	



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Unit 2: H	groups and are prompted to discuss how these challenges affect their local communities and draw on similarities and points of difference. Finally they are prompted to discuss how NGOs might be able to address these challenges How to Set Up an NGO Cyprus				
•	their local communities and draw on similarities and points of difference. Finally they are prompted to discuss how NGOs might be able to				
a	End the discussion by presenting to the learners the key challenges faced by the civil society sector in Cyprus Worksheet 1: What are the key social issues and challenges in your area? Steps Distribute the worksheets to the learners. The learners should state the challenges in their local areas which will then be presented. After learners completed the worksheet, they should get into small	20 min	Team discussionProblem-solvingReflection	 Projector Worksheet A notebook and a pen for each learner A projector 	Worksheet _ Module 6_Worksheet_U nit 1
	Potential avenues for funding within the NGO landscape Discussion: Challenges CSOs in Cyprus Steps Begin the activity by asking learners to form small groups and to share their thoughts on the challenges faced by the Civil Society sector in Cyprus Share out as a big group the small group discussions.	15 min	DiscussionGroup workPresentation	 Projector Internet Connection Electronic device with access to the internet for each learner 	Presentation (PPT_Module 6_Unit 1)





	Step 1-5: Setting up an NGO in Cyprus	50 min	Presentation	■ Internet	Presentation (
	Present the five steps of setting up an NGO in Cyprus:		Reflection	Connection	PPT_Module	
				 Electronic device with access to the internet for each learner Projector 	6_Unit 2)	
	Activity 1: Setting Up Your NGO	25 min	Presentation	Worksheet	Worksheet _	
	 Distribute the worksheets to the learners 		Team discussion		Module	
	Begin the activity by splitting the learners into small groups and reading the scenario all together. The groups should then begin the process of addressing the challenges in the scenario and decide on viable solutions.		Problem-solvingReflection		6_Worksheet_U nit 2	
Module	Module Assessment Exercises					

Module Assessment Exercises

Duration: 20 Minutes



