

# Global Education Profile – CYPRUS <

### Ministries and Agencies in GENE

The Ministry of Education, Culture, Sport and Youth (MOECSY)

Participating in GENE since 2003.

#### Other ministries and agencies in GE

The Interdepartmental Committee for Global Education, coordinated by the European and International Affairs Office of the MOECSY

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs

The Pedagogical Institute of Cyprus (MOECSY)

The Departments for Primary, Secondary and Vocational Education (MOECSY)

The Unit of Education for the Environment and Sustainable **Development (MOECSY)** 

The Observatory for School Violence (MOECSY)

#### The Youth Board of Cyprus

The Office of the Commissioner for Volunteerism and Non-**Governmental Organizations** 

# Civil society and youth platforms

**NGO Support Centre** CARDET **Cyprus Youth Council** 

# **Global Education documents**

Action Plan of the Mediterranean Strategy on Education for Sustainable Development (MSESD) (EN) Sustainable Development Strategy, 2007 Cyprus (EN) Review of the implementation of the Agenda 2030 in Cyprus (EN) National Strategy for Biodiversity (GR) Policy Paper on The Integration of Pupils with Migrant Background to the Cyprus Educational System (EN) Strategic Planning for Gender Equality in Education (GR)

# Concepts and definitions

The MoECSY follows the definition defined by the Maastricht Global Education Declaration. Global Education is combined with values and principles, skills and competences for a world with justice and equity and sustainability, and is related with citizenship education, human rights education, peace education, gender equality, education for the environment and sustainable development. Moreover, under Global Education falls the prevention of racism, of school violence and more specifically of school bullying.

# **GENE** Peer Review

**Global Education in Cyprus 2017** Global Education in Cyprus 2003

# **GE** specific budget

There is no specific GE budget. In 2018, as part of the GENE Increase programme Co-funding mechanism a national GE budget was created with 5.000 Euro in 2018 and 8.000 in 2020. GENE has contributed to the Co-funding mechanism with 70.000 Euro in 2018.

Global Education in Cyprus is funded through the government, through the European Commission/EuropeAID, Erasmus+, the United Nations and through a small number of other external funds and private foundations. Wherever Global Education appears in the curriculum or in teacher training from the Pedagogical Institute, funding comes through the government and is part of the annual education budget approved by the House of Representatives. Since the majority of Global Education is integrated into the formal education system, it is difficult to separate that funding information from the overall education budget.

# **Overall ODA budget**

2018: 25 million USD (current prices) Data: OECD (2018), Net ODA (indicator) doi: 10.1787/33346549-en (Accessed on 19 July 2019)

#### GF in formal education

The vision of the MoECSY is 'the development of literate citizens with skills, responsibility, democratic ethos, historical identity, but also respect for diversity. Citizens with an all-around personality, able to contribute creatively to the development of society and to meet the challenges of the future, as well as to improve the quality of the life of citizens through education, culture and sports and the empowerment of youth.

Global education is applied at all levels of education through the official Curriculum (through cross-cutting themes such as Health Education and Citizenship Education). Further policies related to human rights and peace education, citizenship, intercultural and antiracist education and prevention of violence are being developed by the Pedagogical Institute and/or the Directorates of the Ministry, and are applied in school units through the Curriculum and everyday life.

Education for the environment and sustainability is coordinated by the Unit of Education for the Environment and Sustainable Development.

Global Education is included in teachers continuous training, which is developed and implemented by the Cyprus Pedagogical Institute.

# GE in nonformal education

Youth Board of Cyprus (YBC) and its members is largely involved in the non-formal education activities in Cyprus. Additionally, NGOs develop programs and actions addressed to civil society related to environment, immigrants, human rights, peace and gender equality.

### GE in other sectors

Local Authorities, such as the Municipality of the capital city of Nicosia, offer after-school programmes, community centres, counselling centres and educational seminars, as well as social and cultural events, sports and festivals with GE activities (see Global Education in Cyprus 2017).





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#### GE in initial teacher education

The Pedagogical Institute of Cyprus is responsible for INSET Some Universities offer courses related to GE, during the initial teachers' studies.

# Educational resources on GE

Code of Conduct against Racism & Guide for Managing and Recording Racist Incidents (EN) Programme Intercap - Develop Capacities Programme Imagine by the NGO Association for Historical Dialogue and Research Programme "Walk the Global Walk"

# GE civil society actors

Home 4 Cooperation NGO Support Centre (NGO) Future Worlds Centre (NGO) CARDET (NGO)

Agenda 2030

First Voluntary Progress Report on the Implementation of Agenda 2030

# **Development Policy documents**

Sustainable Development Strategy 2007 Medium Term Strategy for Development Assistance (valid till 2015)

# EU Presidency Last / Next

First and last 2012, next 2026 (January - June)



