

**DECLARATION ON COOPERATION  
IN THE FIELD OF SPORTS  
BETWEEN  
THE MINISTRY OF CULTURE AND SPORT  
OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL  
AND  
THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, CULTURE, SPORT AND YOUTH OF THE CYPRUS  
REPUBLIC**

The Ministry of Culture and Sport of the State of Israel and the Ministry of Education, Culture, Sport and Youth of the Republic of Cyprus (hereinafter referred to collectively as the "Participants" and individually as the "Participant");

Having in mind the Agreement on Cooperation in the fields of Culture, Education and Science between the Government of the Republic of Cyprus and the Government of the State of Israel, signed in Nicosia on July 29<sup>th</sup> 1994;

Hereby express their interest in enhancing the existing cooperation and fostering the relations between the Republic of Cyprus and the State of Israel in the field of sports.

1. On the basis of the foregoing, the Participants declare their intention to invite the competent authorities and relevant bodies in both States:

- a. To promote the exchange of information, expertise and know-how in the field of competitive sport, including Olympic and Paralympic sport, by, inter alia, holding mutual visits of experts, coaches and other professionals, exchanging scientific research results and cutting-edge technologies on competitive sport and sport tourism, identifying and promoting talented young athletes or elite sportspeople, and furthering cooperation for sport legislation, medicine for sport and anti-doping control.





- b. To encourage relevant bodies and competent authorities to exchange knowledge and information on the organization, development and marketing strategies of "Sport for All" programs, as well as regarding plans and policies intended to promote active and healthy lifestyle.
- c. To encourage joint training camps in various sport disciplines for athletes and sport teams from Cyprus in Israel and vice versa.
- d. To encourage the exchange of expertise in fostering and encouraging women's sport, representation of women in sporting bodies and granting equal opportunities for women activities in sport.
- e. To encourage joint scientific and professional congresses, seminars, symposia, courses and workshops on sport to be held in Israel and Cyprus, with the participation of experts in research and practical areas from both States, on topics to be decided jointly. Each Participant may invite other States and organizations to participate in such events with the mutual consent of the other Participants.
- f. To encourage the exchange of information, knowledge and experience concerning the planning, design, development, construction, maintenance and refurbishing of sport facilities, as well as in the organization of mass sport events.
- g. To encourage friendly exhibition games between teams of the respective sport federations and associations of the two States at the youth, adult and competitive levels.
- h. To encourage mutual assistance in the form of exchange of specialists, technicians and experts from one State to the other to support and train coaches and other professional, technical or administrative personnel in relevant areas.
- i. To encourage participation in and support of projects aimed at promoting peace, tolerance, harmony and co-existence through sport.
- j. To work together towards the formulation and support of proposals relating to the Olympic Truce, in order to strengthen the institution of the Olympic Games.
- k. To further encourage the existing links and collaboration between sport organizations, clubs, associations and federations from both States with their counterparts.
- l. To encourage joint projects for the promotion of sports for people with disabilities.
- m. To encourage the development of common programs for the protection of young practitioners in sports.
- n. To encourage the exchange of expertise and knowledge with regard to the eradication of violence and sexual harassment, doping and the prevention of criminal interference in sports, as well as regarding the preservation of integrity and the promotion of ethical values and standards by all sport stakeholders.

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o. To encourage relevant bodies and competent authorities to hold professional seminars on various topics in the field of sports both in Cyprus and Israel.

2. The Participants declare their intention to establish a joint Coordination Committee, which will be responsible for defining the goals, contents and modalities of collaboration based on this Declaration. The committee will include one representative from each Participant, who may decide to invite representatives of their relevant, respective sport organizations to join the committee or participate in its deliberations.

3. This Declaration does not constitute an international treaty and neither includes nor imposes any international or bi-lateral liabilities of financial nature to the Participants. In implementing this Declaration, each Participant will be subject to its internal law.

4. The Participants declare their interest in considering the upgrade of the level of the cooperation between them in the field of sports within the next two years, based on the future collaboration based on this Declaration and pursuant to further discussions between the Participants.

Signed, in duplicate, in 17 on May 2023, which corresponds to the 26<sup>th</sup> day of the month of Iyar 5783 in the Hebrew Calendar, in two originals in the English language.

For and on behalf of the Ministry of Culture  
and Sport of the State of Israel



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