

PRESS RELEASE

The National Survey CyGraduates Improving the link between Higher Education and the Labour Market

The Department of Higher Education of the Ministry of Education, Sport and Youth implements for the second consecutive year the National Graduate Tracking Survey (CyGraduates) in the context of the project entitled "Development of a National Graduate Tracking Mechanism and Design and Implementation of an Employers' Skills Survey" which is included in the Recovery and Resilience Plan of the Republic of Cyprus.

National Graduate Tracking Survey: CyGraduates



CyGraduates aims to provide data on a longitudinal basis regarding the entry of Higher Education graduates of Cyprus into the labor market, their study experiences, the skills acquired during their studies as well as on the relevance of Higher Education Programs of Study with the labor market. Based on the results of the survey, Higher Education Institutions will be able to revise the content and teaching methodology of existing Programs of Study as well as to offer new Programs of Study, so that graduates have the knowledge and skills required by the labor market. The preliminary results of the first cycle of the survey have already been published on the project's website. <https://skilltracking.highereducation.ac.cy/reports/>

Who participates in the second cycle of CyGraduates?

- Graduates from all Higher Education Institutions in Cyprus.
- Graduates who graduated during the academic years 2017-2018 and 2021-2022.
- Graduates from Programs of Study that led to the acquisition of one of the following Degrees: Certificate, Diploma, Higher Diploma, Bachelor's or Master's Degree.
- Graduates of all types of study (e.g., full-time, part-time, distance).
- Graduates of all nationalities.
- Graduates who either reside inside or outside Cyprus.

Data Collection - Access to the questionnaire

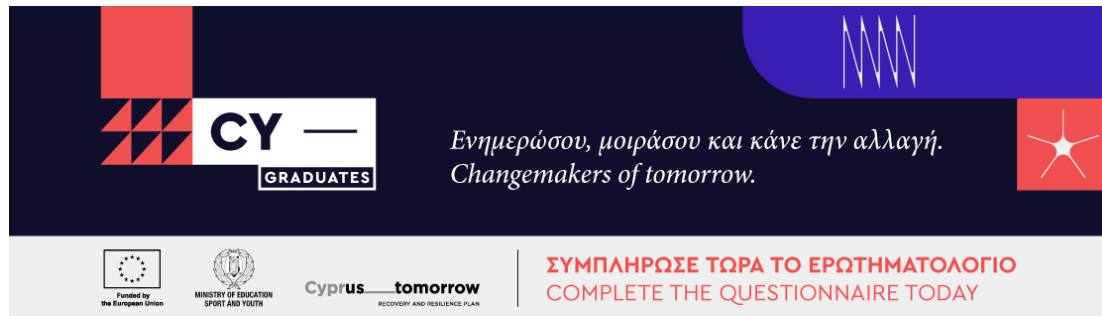
In the period between January-March 2024, data will be collected through an online questionnaire. Access to the questionnaire is done through the project's website <https://skilltracking.highereducation.ac.cy/cygraduates/> or by using the personalised link sent by email or sms to all graduates of the above academic years from the Higher Education Institution from which they graduated. Completing the questionnaire takes approximately 10-12 minutes. Upon completion of the questionnaire, graduates will receive a small gift and will also have the opportunity to participate in a draw to win bigger prizes (air ticket, hotel accommodation and gift vouchers).

Survey's Significance

The contribution of Higher Education graduates to the CyGraduates survey is considered very important for the improvement of the education provided, the better matching of the skills acquired from Higher Education with the needs of the labor market and the improvement of employment prospects for Higher Education graduates of Cyprus.

Follow the survey's progress!



Keep up to date with the progress of the survey and its results through the survey's Social Media accounts (Facebook: [here](#) και Instagram: [here](#))



The banner features a dark blue background with a red square on the left containing a white geometric pattern. To its right is the 'CY GRADUATES' logo. The central text reads 'Ενημερώσου, μοιράσου και κάνε την αλλαγή. Changemakers of tomorrow.' in white. On the right, there is a white graphic of three vertical lines with wavy tops and a red square with a white starburst. The bottom section is light grey and contains logos for the European Union, the Ministry of Education, Sport and Youth, and Cyprus tomorrow, alongside the call to action 'ΣΥΜΠΛΗΡΩΣΕ ΤΩΡΑ ΤΟ ΕΡΩΤΗΜΑΤΟΛΟΓΙΟ COMPLETE THE QUESTIONNAIRE TODAY' in red.

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