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4TH DIPLOMAT OF THE YEAR AWARD 2022

EVENT MANUAL



In recognition of the role of the Foreign Diplomatic Missions accredited to Cyprus, the Cyprus Chamber of Commerce and Industry is pleased to announce the "4th Diplomat of the Year Award", due to take place on the 30 June 2022, under the High Patronage of Mr Ioannis Kasoulides, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Cyprus.

Over the past year, the Cyprus Chamber of Commerce and Industry with the valuable support and guidance of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs invite all the Diplomatic Missions to Cyprus to the annual event dedicated to celebrating your role and efforts in promoting economic diplomacy on the island.

Three years ago at the first event, over 30 diplomats together with stakeholders and selected members of the business community gathered at the Presidential Palace to celebrate your work and the work of your peers in Cyprus. Now in our fourth year, we are still as passionate about this initiative and your support is an indication that our efforts in promoting Economic Diplomacy on the island is indeed acknowledged.

Each year the voting method differs and this year a more transparent procedure is being implemented, more of which can be found in the pages that follow.

We will honor one diplomat, during a formal dinner that will take place on 30 June 2022, at 19:30, at the Presidential Palace and we proudly welcome Mr John Christodoulou, Cypriot entrepreneur and Philanthropist, as our key note speaker.

At this manual, you will find all relevant information related to the voting as well as the details of the ceremony.

INTRODUCTORY NOTE

by the President of the Cyprus Chamber of Commerce and Industry Mr Christodoulos Angastiniotis

I am deeply privileged to announce the 4th Annual Diplomat of the Year Awards for 2022.

In line with previous years, our intention remains to celebrate the role of Foreign Diplomatic Missions and the outstanding work done by all of you in Cyprus, especially during a very dynamic period which proved to be exceptionally challenging for everyone.

As you know, the Cyprus Chamber of Commerce and Industry is heavily invested in the concept of Economic Diplomacy through its various activities, with the aim of promoting mutually beneficial partnerships between Cyprus and your countries. Your active support and assistance have been indispensable in achieving our goals.

Undeniably, we are currently situated in a turbulent time in humanity's history; a turbulence which affects us in multiple scales, on multiple fronts and with a great degree of unpredictability. Nonetheless, as history has repeatedly shown us, a time of turbulence can pave the way for humanity to make great leaps of progress. A prerequisite in doing so, however, is unity. Today represents an opportunity to celebrate the endeavors of everyone present, in embracing and continuously embodying the notion of unity, as well as to convey the message that unity itself can be strengthened, reinforced, and even expanded

Equally importantly, it is an effort from our part to offer our commitment and support to your efforts in economically empowering your countries, as well as to bridge diplomacy and business.

We are delighted and honored to host this event under the High Patronage of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Cyprus Mr Ioannis Kasoulides and we are confident that you will once more embrace this initiative.

I wish good health to all of you, and I am looking forward to welcoming you on the 30 June 2022.

WELCOME ADDRESS

by the Minister of Foreign Affairs Mr Ioannis Kasoulides

It is a great pleasure to be addressing the 4th Diplomat of the Awards organized by the Cyprus Chamber of Commerce and Industry, an initiative that honours the work and efforts of the foreign diplomatic community accredited to Cyprus, in the area of Economic Diplomacy.

Our world is undergoing a dark moment in its history. The war of Russia against Ukraine is one of the most serious humanitarian and geopolitical crises of our time, affecting all aspects of life. Combined with the effects of the Covid-19 pandemic, the toll on business and economic activity is a heavy one.

Supply chain disruptions, high energy prices and the general uncertainty about the economic outlook, require effective actions by world leaders and the international business community. In overcoming these challenges, an imperative realization is our deep interdependence and the subsequent need for multilateralism and open, generous cooperation. Economic Diplomacy has a key role to play towards that effect. The CCCI is a close partner of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in promoting and enhancing the business and economic relations of Cyprus with other countries. Throughout the years, the Chamber has contributed significantly towards strengthening the extroversion of the Cyprus economy and their tireless efforts are deeply appreciated by the State. Naturally, the foreign diplomatic community in Cyprus has a leading role to play in fostering closer economic cooperation. Their commitment, hard work and enthusiasm should therefore be supported, recognized and celebrated.

I hope that through the joint efforts of all stakeholders involved, we will be able to better address the complex challenges our economies are faced with, for the benefit of businesses and the welfare of our citizens.

I conclude by wishing good luck to all the Award candidates.

STRUCTURE OF THE AWARD



THE AWARD

Diplomat of the Year 2022

To be given to the diplomat recognized for his/her outstanding work and achievement based on:

Work in promoting economic diplomacy

Contribution to strengthening the bilateral business relations with Cyprus

Popularity/community engagement

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

All resident Heads of Diplomatic Missions are eligible to vote and to be voted for (Ambassadors, High Commissioners and Charge D'Affairs)

Each diplomat can receive the award for up to two consecutive years.

WHO CAN VOTE

ONLY the 43 Resident Diplomatic Missions are eligible to vote amongst their peers and to be voted for.

HOW

The Diplomatic Missions will receive their invitation inclusive of a voting sheet, together with an addressed and stamped envelope. The Head of Mission will cast their vote as per the instructions below.

Once each mission casts her/his votes manually, the completed voting sheet must be enveloped and sent to Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

The voting sheets will be kept at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for the duration of the voting period and the ballots will be opened in the presence of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, representatives of the CCCI and the current Dean of the Diplomatic corps on the 29 June 2022.

Special thanks and appreciation are extended to the Dean H.E. Mr Mohamad El Fayez, Ambassador of Jordan to Cyprus for supporting this effort.

The winning diplomat will be informed beforehand by the organising committee.





IMPORTANT DATES

- Voting opens
 18 June 28 June 6, 2022
- Counting the votes will take place on the 29 June 2022.
- Announcing of the winner At the event

ORGANISING COMMITTEE





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