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SLOVAKIA DIPLOMATIC  
RELATIONS



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30  
YEARS OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS

1993-2023



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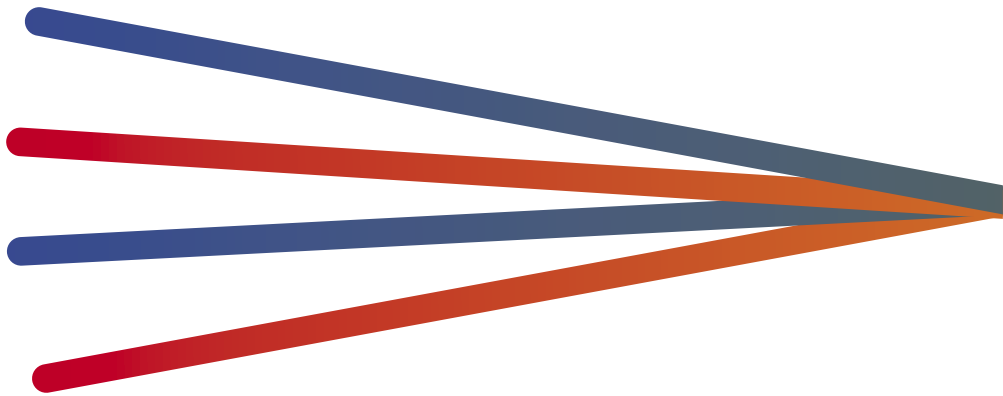


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## Introductory note

The year 2023 marks the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between Cyprus and Slovakia.

Over these thirty years, Cyprus and Slovakia have developed an excellent level of bilateral relations and have collaborated extensively within the context of the European Union and other international fora. The opening of the Embassy of Slovakia in Nicosia in 1993, and the respective opening of the Embassy of Cyprus in Bratislava in 2010, have further contributed to the development of the bonds of friendship and cooperation.

The principled stance of Slovakia, diachronically on the Cyprus issue, for a peaceful and just settlement according to the relevant UN Resolutions, as well as Slovakia's contribution in facilitating the bi-communal dialogue between Greek Cypriot and Turkish Cypriot political parties for almost 35 years, along with its support to the Republic of Cyprus have always been highly appreciated.

Slovakia's major contribution to the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP) spanning over two decades, has been of paramount importance for the successful carrying out of the Force's mission, as mandated by the UN Security Council resolutions as well as maintaining stability on the island.

To mark and pay tribute to the 30 years of diplomatic relations between Cyprus and Slovakia, a joint Exhibition and a Photo collection covering various areas of the longstanding relationship and friendship in the areas of politics, culture, diplomacy, as well as the engagement of Slovakia within the UNFICYP is being organized.

Building on the already strong bilateral ties, Cyprus and Slovakia look into the future with the aim to further develop and deepen the traditional excellent relationship based on common values, principles, and aspirations.



The 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of diplomatic relations between the Republic of Cyprus and the Slovak Republic celebrated in 2023, provides an opportunity to take stock of the bonds of friendship and cooperation between the two countries and celebrate our common achievements of the past three decades. It is also a great opportunity to look ahead and set our common goals for the days to come.

Based on our shared values of democracy, human rights and the rule of law, and our common dedication to multilateralism and international law, and the enduring ties between our people, Cyprus and Slovakia have succeeded, since 1993, in forging a strong relationship of cooperation and friendship.

The opening of Slovakia's diplomatic mission in Nicosia in 1993 and Cyprus's diplomatic mission in Bratislava in 2010, have also played a significant role in bringing the two countries together and developing cooperation in various fields, such as culture, defense, education, and health to name a few. This cooperation has been further strengthened by the increased air connectivity between the two countries over the last years, especially in the fields of tourism and people-to-people contacts.

The principled stance of Slovakia over the years on the Cyprus issue, and its support for a just and viable settlement of the issue, in accordance with the agreed framework of a Bizonal Bi-communal Federation as prescribed in UN Resolutions, as well as providing its good offices fostering the bi-communal dialogue between Greek Cypriot and Turkish Cypriot political parties have been highly valued. In addition, Slovakia's major contribution to the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP) for over 20 years, has been of vital importance for the successful carrying out of the Force's mission, as mandated by the UN Security Council resolutions as well as maintaining stability on the island.

The Exhibition organised as well as the Photo Collection in this present booklet, offer an insight of the past 30 years of the excellent relationship between Cyprus and Slovakia that I hope will continue to flourish in the years to come.

H.E. Dr. Kyriakos Kouros  
Permanent Secretary  
Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
of the Republic of Cyprus





The 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of diplomatic relations between the Slovak Republic and the Republic of Cyprus on 1<sup>st</sup> January 1993 is not just a celebration of three decades of fruitful cooperation between both countries in various fields, but also of close friendship and respect for each other we have cultivated over the years. A solid bond between two like-minded allies has developed and our relations have grown into a concrete partnership built on the fundamentals of the EU and Eurozone membership, mutual solidarity and sharing of common values. Slovakia and Cyprus have achieved a lot together and certainly, there is a lot to be proud of.

On political level, our ties have been cemented by high-level dialogue, which culminated in the visit of the Slovak President, H.E. Zuzana Čaputová to Cyprus in December 2022. We have an excellent cooperation in many areas, however our biggest potential lies in innovations and modern technologies. Prestigious conference ReflectFest in Limassol, attended on yearly basis by thousands of startupists, innovators and investors, including hundreds of Slovaks, is the genuine project of two fellow graduates (Slovak and Cypriot one) from Oxford and at the same time the flagship of our economic and innovation diplomacy on the island.

Slovakia and Cyprus clearly subscribed to principles of a world order based on respect for rules and obligations under international law. The respect for the independence, sovereignty and territorial integrity of states is, in today's geopolitical and geoeconomical context of a particular importance to small states and peoples, such as Slovaks and Cypriots. Both countries have been actively promoting these principles in the world for decades and this commitment finds a very concrete, tangible and unique translation also in Cyprus.

Above mentioned is anchored in almost 35 years' worth of Slovak good offices offered for the Cyprus issue. The facilitation of the bi-communal dialogue of representatives of Greek-Cypriot and Turkish-Cypriot political parties represents a really exceptional factor in the relationship of two EU Member States. More than two decades long presence of a now truly robust Slovak contingent in UNFICYP with full responsibility for the sensitive Sector 4 of the buffer zone is in turn a manifestation of our contribution to security and stability on the island. The goal of such an involvement is obvious – to help bring about a solution to the Cyprus problem in line with the UN Security Council resolutions, principles of international law and EU values that is sustainable, just, and in favour of all Cypriots.

The beautiful island of Cyprus, is not only one of the most favorite holiday destination of Slovak tourists, but at the same time place of work and home to many more Slovaks, including a significant group of mixed Slovak-Cypriot marriages well integrated into the local society. All these individuals and families contribute to the socio-economic development of the island, but also to the enhancement of people-to-people contacts, thus mutual understanding and friendship of both nations.

This unique publication and panel exhibition represent a captivating celebration of past three decades of friendly bilateral ties between Slovakia a Cyprus in various fields. In the upcoming period let us work through common endeavours on their further development to the benefit of cooperation, peace, stability and prosperity of the great people of both countries.

H.E. Martin Bezák  
Ambassador of the Slovak Republic  
to the Republic of Cyprus



# OUR AMBASSADORS





## SLOVAK AMBASSADORS IN CYPRUS

Martin Bezák, Ambassador  
2022-

Ján Škoda, Ambassador  
2017-2022

Oksana Tomová, Ambassador  
2013-2017

Anna Tureničová, Ambassador  
2007-2013

Ján Varšo, Ambassador  
2002-2007

Dušan Rozbora, Ambassador  
1999-2002

Dušan Rozbora, Chargé d'Affaires ad interim  
1997-1999

Milan Tancár, Ambassador  
1995-1997

Jaroslav Roman, Chargé d'Affaires ad interim  
1993-1995



## CYPRriot AMBASSADORS IN SLOVAKIA

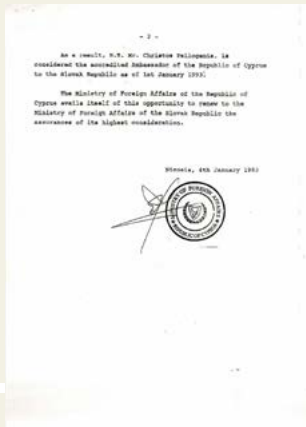
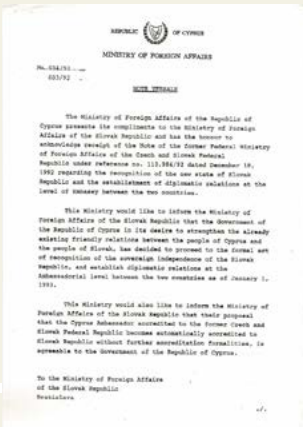
Michalis Karageorgis, Ambassador  
2023-

Nicos P. Nicolaou, Ambassador  
2019-2023

Michalis Stavrinos, Ambassador  
2018-2019

Nearchos Palas, Ambassador  
2014-2018

Marios Kountourides, Ambassador  
2010-2014



### Cyprus and Slovakia to sign economic agreement

NEGOTIATIONS TO SIGN a trade and economic agreement between Cyprus and Slovakia are at an advanced stage and were the subject of discussion between Phaedros Economides, the Minister of Finance and Jan Ducky, his Slovak counterpart.

Relations between the two countries were analysed in detail, and both sides expressed their desire to further strengthen the already close relations in the fields of tourism, industry and commerce.

Economides and Ducky exchanged views on the economic and trade agreement which technocrats at both finance ministries are working on and which is at its advanced stage of completion.

The agreement also gives protection to the investments in the other's country and has clauses to avoid double taxation.

Economides is expected to depart for Slovakia to sign the agreement in the near future.

Finance Ministers Phaedros Economides (right) and Jan Ducky of Slovakia. (Photo P.F.D.)

### News in Brief

#### Slovakia-Cyprus to Enhance Financial Cooperation

Cyprus and Slovakia are both countries with a high level of economic development. The two countries are expected to sign a trade and economic agreement in the near future.

From the left: Antonios, the Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs.

Antonios made remarks to the Foreign Minister of Slovakia, Jan Ducky, who is visiting Cyprus. The two ministers discussed the possibility of signing a trade and economic agreement between the two countries.

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### Cyprus Mail

- 8 JAN. 1994

#### Common goal

Cyprus and Slovakia share a common desire to join the European Community, Foreign Minister Antonios Michalides said yesterday after talks with Slovakia's Foreign Minister Josef Moravec.

"We both feel very strongly that it is vital for our people to become full members of the European family. The European family must include all members of the family and not a selective group of members. This is a target that both governments pursue and wherever we can support each other, we will not fail to do so," Michalides said.

### Afxentios woos Slovaks to establish OBU's

AFXENTIOS AFXENTIOU, the Governor of the Central Bank had a meeting with his Slovak counterpart who was on the island as part of the trade delegation accompanying the Slovak finance minister.

During a meeting held at the K.Y.V.E. headquarters, Central Bank officials presented a short summary on the advantages of establishing Offshore Banking Units (OBU's) in Cyprus.

and discussed other topics of interest.

Meetings were also held between Cyprus and Slovak businessmen to further expand business relations between the two countries. K.Y.V.E. officials are also working on these cooperation with the Slovak Chamber of Commerce and Industry and a trade delegation will be organised to Slovakia.

Picture shows K.Y.V.E. President Phaedros Economides at their meeting with the Slovak delegation at the Chamber offices in Nicosia.

Financial Mirror, 12/01/1994

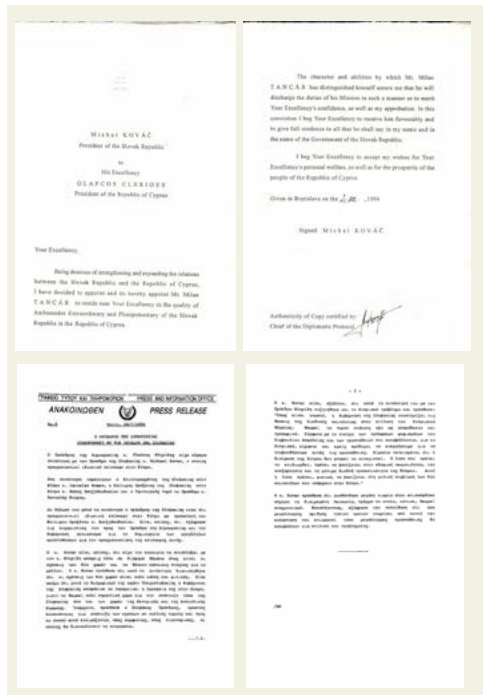
Financial Mirror, 12/01/1994

Time Out, 19/02/1994



26/07/1994  
The President of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Glafcos Clerides receives the President of the Slovak Republic H.E. Michal Kováč during a private visit to Cyprus

"We see very good chances of enhancing our cooperation above all in the economic and cultural fields."  
Jozef Moraveik, 1994



05/01/1995  
The President of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Glafcos Clerides receives the credentials of the first Ambassador of the Slovak Republic to Cyprus H.E. Milan Tancár

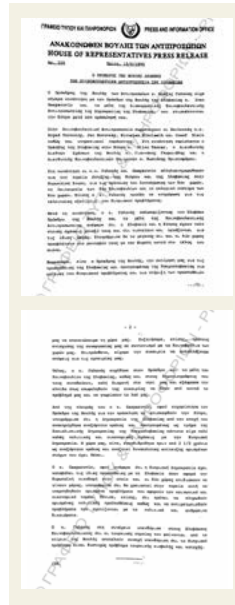


13/06/1995  
The President of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Glafcos Clerides receives the Speaker of the National Council of the Slovak Republic H.E. Ivan Gašparovič during an official visit to Cyprus





**13/06/1995**  
 The President of the House of Representatives of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Alexis Galanos receives the Speaker of the National Council of the Slovak Republic H.E. Ivan Gašparovič and his parliamentary delegation



1995



**14/01/1999**  
 The President of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Glafcos Clerides receives the credentials of the Ambassador of the Slovak Republic H.E. Dušan Rozbora

1999



01/09/1999

The President of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Glafcos Clerides receives the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Slovak Republic H.E. Eduard Kukan

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1999



22/04/2002

Address by the President of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Glafcos Clerides in honor of the President of the Slovak Republic H.E. Rudolf Schuster during his visit to Cyprus

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2002



23/04/2002  
The President of Slovak Republic H.E. Rudolf Schuster received by the President of the House of Representatives of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Demetris Christofias

2002



24/10/2002  
The President of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Glafcos Clerides receives the credentials of the Ambassador of the Slovak Republic H.E. Ján Varšo





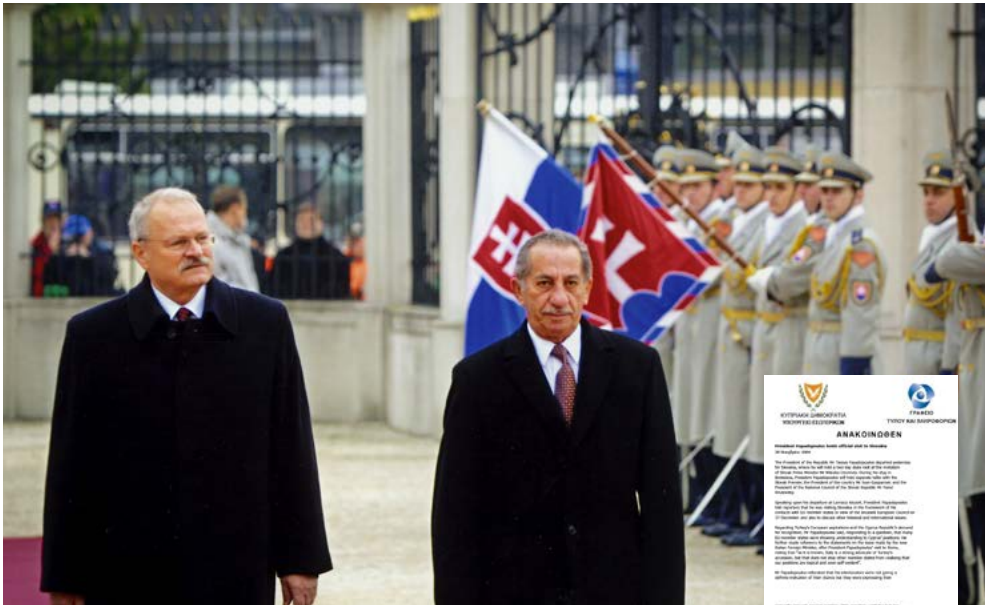
10/04/2003  
 Minister of Labour and Social Insurance of the Republic of Cyprus  
 Mr. Makis Keravnos receives the Ambassador of the Slovak  
 Republic H.E. Ján Varšo

2003

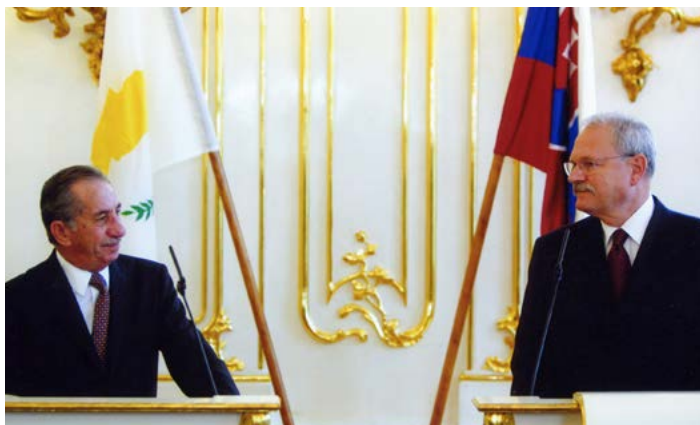


16/09/2004  
 The President of the House of Representatives of the Republic of  
 Cyprus H.E. Demetris Christofias receives the Speaker of the National  
 Council of the Slovak Republic H.E. Pavol Hrušovský

2004



"The bitterly cold temperatures did not dampen the warm greetings exchanged between the two leaders and their delegations nor the traditional Slovak custom of welcome by bread and salt, which symbolises the Slovak hospitality." Maria Myles, Cyprus News Agency, 29/11/2004



29/11/2004

The President of the Slovak Republic H.E. Ivan Gašparovič welcomes the President of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Tassos Papadopoulos at his official visit to Slovakia

2004

23/06/2005

The President of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Tassos Papadopoulos receives the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Slovak Republic H.E. Eduard Kukan



2005





**18/04/2007**  
The President of the Slovak Republic H.E. Ivan Gašparovič and the First Lady Mrs. Silvia Gašparovičová arrive to Cyprus on a state visit, welcomed by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Yörgos Lillikas

2007

**19/04/2007**

The President of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Tassos Papadopoulos awards President of the Slovak Republic H.E. Ivan Gašparovič with the Grand Necklace of the Order Makarios III. and reciprocally receives from him the Medal of the Order Of the White Double Cross of the First Class



2007



**19/04/2007**  
The President of the Slovak Republic H.E. Ivan Gašparovič received by the President of the House of Representatives of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Demetris Christofias

2007



24/07/2007  
The President of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Tassos Papadopoulos receives the credentials of the Ambassador of the Slovak Republic H.E. Anna Tureničová



06/09/2007  
The President of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Tassos Papadopoulos at a reception held by the Slovak Embassy on the occasion of the Constitution Day

2007



2010

13/10/2010  
The President of the Slovak Republic H.E. Ivan Gašparovič receives the credentials of the first residential Ambassador of the Republic of Cyprus to Slovakia H.E. Marios Kountourides







11/11/2010  
The President of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Demetris Christofias and the First Lady Mrs. Elsi Christofia are paying an official visit to Slovakia



11/11/2010  
Both Presidents at the Cyprus – Slovakia Business Forum in Bratislava

11/11/2010  
Visit of the President of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Demetris Christofias to St. Martin's Cathedral in Bratislava where the remains of St. John the Merciful (patron of Lemesos) are buried



**"We want to continue working together in this direction: to overcome any possible obstacles for investments and identify the benefits and services offered by the two countries." President Demetris Christofias, 2010**



11/11/2010  
Inauguration of the Embassy of the Republic of Cyprus in Bratislava



11/11/2010  
Banquet dinner hosted by the President of the Slovak Republic H.E. Ivan Gašparovič and the First Lady Mrs. Silvia Gašparovičová in honor of the President of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Demetris Christofias and the First Lady Mrs. Elsi Christofias





Cyprus Mail, 12/11/2010

Cyprus Weekly, 23/06/2012

2010

2012



18/04/2013  
The President of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Nicos Anastasiades receives the credentials of the Ambassador of the Slovak Republic H.E. Oksana Tomová

2013



06/11/2014  
The President of the Slovak Republic H.E. Andrej Kiska receives the credentials of the Ambassador of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Nearchos Palas

12/12/2016  
The Speaker of the National Council of the Slovak Republic H.E. Andrej Danko during his visit to Cyprus



2016

2014





**17/10/2017**  
The President of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Nicos Anastasiades receives the credentials of the Ambassador of the Slovak Republic H.E. Ján Škoda

**07/11/2018**  
The President of the Slovak Republic H.E. Andrej Kiska receives the credentials of the Ambassador of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Michalis Stavrinou



2017

2018



**10/06/2019**  
Tête-à-tête meeting of the Ministers of Foreign Affairs H.E. Nikos Christodoulides and H.E. Miroslav Lajčák in Lefkosia

2019

**21/11/2019**  
The President of the Slovak Republic H.E. Zuzana Čaputová receives the credentials of the Ambassador of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Nicos Nicolaou



2019



**02/05/2020**  
Repatriation of Slovaks and Cypriots by the Slovak Air Force plane during the COVID-19 pandemic

2020



**29/07/2021**  
Minister of Defence of the Republic of Cyprus Mr. Charalambos Petrides welcomes Minister of Defence of the Slovak Republic Mr. Jaroslav Nad'.



2021



**07/07/2022**  
The President of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Nicos Anastasiades receives the credentials of the Ambassador of the Slovak Republic H.E. Martin Bezák





**01/09/2022**  
Address of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Ioannis Kasoulides on the occasion of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Constitution Day of the Slovak Republic



2022



**12/12/2022**  
Meeting of the President of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Nicos Anastasiades with the President of the Slovak Republic H.E. Zuzana Čaputová during her visit to Cyprus



2022



**15/08/2023**  
The President of the Slovak Republic H.E. Zuzana Čaputová receives the credentials of the Ambassador of the Republic of Cyprus H.E. Michalis Karageorgis

2023



The Embassy of the Slovak Republic in the Republic of Cyprus kindly invites you to the Exhibition



Medieval Wall Paintings  
Forgotten Jewels  
in the Heart of Europe



UNESCO  
World Heritage Sites  
in Cyprus

An important international cultural Cyprus was one of the first project between Slovak and countries whose monuments Hungarian experts displays achieved the distinction to be a part medieval wall paintings of the UNESCO World Heritage extraordinary cultural value. The listed sites. Its important exhibition was introduced for the civilization is reflected through first time in the Council of Europe in unique archeological sites and Strasbourg and then in other ten Byzantine churches which constitute a leading event for the cultural promotion of the island.

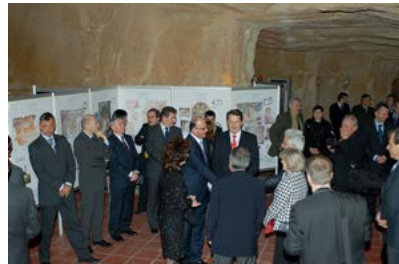


Detail from the wall paintings in the Kraskovo Church (13<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> century)



Church of Panagia Phorvotissa Asinou (11<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> century)

The Caves Exhibition Centre at the Acropolis Park



16/03/2009

Speakers of the Parliaments H.E. Marios Garoyian and H.E. Jaroslav Paška at the exhibition "Forgotten Jewels in the Heart of Europe" / Lefkosia

2009

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Slovak Nights will be whetting your appetite

For a taste of some Slovak night life with a twist, head on down to the north. Welcome to Slovakia at the Hilton Hotel in Lefkosia. Nicotia for a really different experience. All about tantalizing the taste buds with some new flavours, the restaurant is currently hosting Slovak Nights, with an emphasis on game specialties. What with the dewy weather that we've been experiencing lately, some good old-fashioned breaker grub is really hard to go down a treat. And it's not just any old chub that are cooking up a storm, the well known experienced chef Pava Bratislava (having the Hilton Cyprus team as they represent the moonshining clan).

The show of the night might not be as the usual, Slovakia is a country with rich traditions in the history of feasting, with most visitors to the country filling the food bars hearty and filling. Options to see again in Nicotia.

with verisimilitude and being the most popular. Traditional delicacies are often enjoyed to the sound of Cypriot music in the background. Slovak nights will be starting on the Hilton Hotel Saturday, so do reserve a table at your convenience see below.

**Slovak Nights**  
Enjoy a national Slovak dinner with drinks on the game specialties, until November 13. Hilton Hotel, Nicotia, €23 per person including a glass of wine. Tel: 22377777

For a full listing of the day's events, see facing page

04-12/12/2009  
Slovak food festival / Lefkosia



**Paphos Aphrodite Festival deemed a huge success**  
By Bejay Browne

Cyprus culture and history and spoke of *La Bohème* as a myth, comparable to that of Aphrodite. He added that although the history of the Slovak Opera is not a long one, it had produced stars such as Edita Gruberova and Miroslav Dvorsky.

In the current production, a young cast of upcoming singers filled the lead roles. In addition, two artists from Cyprus participated, which Dvorsky said, helped "enhance the international dimension of the event and our common artistic partnership".

In his speech the mayor of Paphos, Savvas Vergas, who is also the chairman of the board of directors of the company Paphos Aphrodite Festival Cyprus, spoke of his pleasure at the cooperation between the two countries.

He said Paphos was a renowned cultural haven, which he was hoping would be awarded the title of European cultural capital in 2017. The two-hour opera was sung in Italian with supertitles in both Greek and English.

"Peter Dvorsky, the director of the Slovak national Theatre Opera in Bratislava underlined the importance of the Cyprus culture and history and spoke of La Bohème as a myth, comparable to that of Aphrodite."

03-05/09/2010  
The Slovak National Theatre performing the Opera La bohème at the 12<sup>th</sup> Pafos Aphrodite Festival / Pafos

2010

11-19/11/2011  
Slovak food festival / Lefkosia



12/05/2012  
Celebration of a Rag day / Lemesos

2011

2012



07-09/09/2012

The Slovak National Theatre performing the Opera Otello at the 14<sup>th</sup> Pafos Aphrodite Festival / Pafos

2012



12/09/2015

The Slovak Folklore Ensemble Vršatec performing at the 10<sup>th</sup> Mediterranean Folklore Festival / Larnaka

2015

27/01/2016

Presentation of the Slovak cuisine / Lefkosia



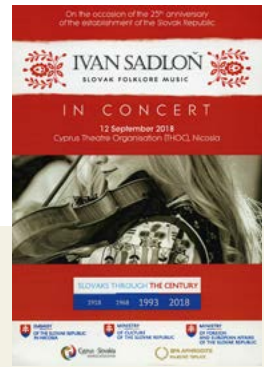
2016





**28/06/2017**  
Opening ceremony of the Honorary Consulate of the Slovak Republic / Lemesos

**12/09/2018**  
Concert of the Ivan Sadloň Folklore Music on the occasion of the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Establishment of the Slovak Republic / Lefkosia



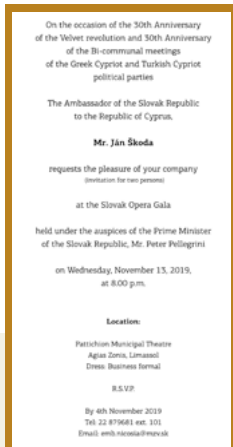
2017

2018



**10/06/2019**  
Performance of the Bicommunal Choir for Peace on the occasion of the visit of the Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic H.E. Miroslav Lajčák / Lefkosia

2019



**13/11/2019**  
The Slovak Opera Gala on the occasion of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Velvet revolution / Lemesos

2019



**26/11/2021**  
Photo exhibition dedicated to Slovak reformist politician Alexander Dubček, best known by his slogan “Socialism with a human face” / Lemesos

2021



Presentation of Slovak culture, folklore and tourism

2021-2022



**01/09/2022**  
Performance of the Cypriot soprano Mariza Anastasiades and Slovak pianist Richard Rikkon on the occasion of the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Constitution Day of the Slovak Republic / Lefkosia



29/03/2023  
Presentation of Slovak cinematography at the Slovak Embassy / Lefkosia



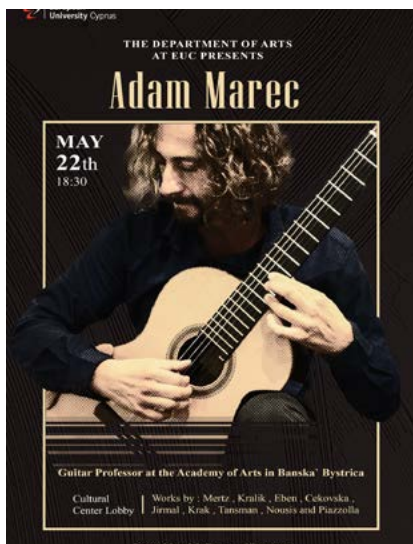
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21-23/04/2023  
Travel Expo Cyprus / Lefkosia



2023



22/05/2023  
Recital of the Slovak guitarist Adam Marec / Lefkosia

2023



Phileleftheros, October 1994



Machi, September 1995

1994

1995



Bicommunal meetings of the leaders of political parties from the Greek-Cypriot and Turkish-Cypriot communities at the Ledra Palace under the auspices of the Embassy of the Slovak Republic (1995-1997)



1995-1997





06/06/2000  
Leaders of the Greek-Cypriot and Turkish-Cypriot political parties meet at the Ledra Palace



10/10/2001  
Meeting of the leaders of the political parties involved in bicomunal dialogue at Ledra Palace

2000-2001



05/01/2002  
New Year's meeting of the leaders of the political parties participating in the bicomunal dialogue

04/09/2002  
Family photo of the participants in the bicomunal dialogue



2002



13/03/2007  
Press conference at the Ledra Palace where leaders of the political parties agreed on series of bicommunal events

2007



14/04/2007  
Bicommunal football match between mixed teams of leaders of the political parties

2007

Cyprus Mail and Cyprus Weekly, November 2007

### Parties call for 'decisive action' on Ledra street

By Jean Christou  
GREEK AND Turkish Cypriot party leaders yesterday called on the leadership of the two sides to take steps to open up the Ledra Street crossing.  
A joint communique issued after the regular meeting at the Ledra Palace asks the leaders to "take decisive action" in opening the crossing point "as a pathway of communication and economic growth and as a substantial vehicle towards expediting the ultimate aim of uniting our country."  
The group has decided to visit the two sides of Ledra street, a statement said.  
During the meeting, the United Democrats made a proposal that would help solve things alone.  
One suggestion said that gives some minimal coordination between municipalities, professionals such as accountants, lawyers and architects could be given incentives to set up base in the old city so that the area develops into a business centre for professionals.  
"The first step buildings will be restored and property owners will see the value of their property rising to normal levels," it said.  
"And since business is in the orientation of every Cypriot, people would grasp the opening of Ledra Street as an opportunity to make profitable businesses and start considering greater contact between the two communities more favourably."  
It said that Cypriot busi-

Cyprus Mail, November 2007

### Ledra opening focus of party leaders meeting

GREEK Cypriot and Turkish Cypriot leaders met at the Ledra Palace on Wednesday to exchange views on the opening of the Ledra Street checkpoint "as an enhancer of political and economic rapprochement," according to a joint communique.  
In the communique, the leaders called upon the leaders of the two communities to take decisive action towards opening the Ledra Street checkpoint on the same terms as the other checkpoints, as a pathway of communication and economic growth in an area of common identity, and as symbolic and substantial vehicle towards expediting the ultimate aim of uniting their country.  
The regular meeting was - as usual - held under the auspices of the Slovak Embassy in Nicosia.  
Priscilla Antoniadou, acting leader of the United Democrats party, that had hosted Wednesday's luncheon, described Ledra Street as a pathway that crosses through the hearts and childhood memories of all those who are over 40.  
"We have an obligation to surrender to the younger generations of our country, a pathway of communication through the common denominator of business and economic growth, which will speedily lead to the restoration of the built environment of the area and to the building of economic and social contacts between the two communities," she said.  
The opening should be viewed both as end in itself, as well as a vehicle of expediting the ultimate aim of uniting Cyprus, she added.  
The next such meeting is scheduled for December 12. Participating parties were Akai, Diko, Edeak, Epsalis, Greens, United Democrats, New Cyprus Party, Republican Turkish Party, Socialist Party of Cyprus, TDP and the United Cyprus Party.

Cyprus Weekly, November 2007





Cyprus Weekly, September 2008



14/09/2008  
Bicommunal cultural event "United Songs For Peace"

2008



08/10/2008  
The Elders H.E. Archbishop Desmond Tutu, H.E. Jimmy Carter and H.E. Lakhtar Brahimi participate at the bicommunal meeting at the Ledra Palace

2008



13-17/05/2009  
Event on the occasion of the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the bicommunal dialogue in Bratislava

2009



18/06/2012  
1<sup>st</sup> donation of the Government of the Slovak Republic to the Committee on Missing Persons in Cyprus

2012

26/05/2013  
Visit of the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic H.E. Miroslav Lajčák



2013





**05/11/2015**  
Visit of the representatives of the Greek-Cypriot and Turkish-Cypriot political parties involved in the bicommunal dialogue to the Committee on Missing Persons in Cyprus

2015



**10/06/2019**  
Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic H.E. Miroslav Lajčák visits the Committee on Missing Persons in Cyprus and hands over the 2<sup>nd</sup> donation of the Slovak Government

2019

**17/07/2023**  
The representatives of the Greek-Cypriot and Turkish-Cypriot political parties involved in the bicommunal dialogue visit the Anthropological Laboratory of the Committee on Missing Persons in Cyprus again, after almost eight years



2023



31/10/2008

Visit of the Minister of Defence of the Slovak Republic Mr. Jaroslav Baška

2008

07/12/2009

Visit of the Minister of Defence of the Slovak Republic Mr. Jaroslav Baška



2009



02/11/2010

Visit of the Minister of Defence of the Slovak Republic Mr. Ľubomír Galko and meeting with the Slovak contingent

2010



**Slovak Peacekeepers will Remain in Cyprus**

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**BRATISLAVA, June 19, (WEBNOVINY)** — Slovak Foreign Affairs Minister Miroslav Lajcak, who is on an official visit to Cyprus, assured Cypriot officials on Tuesday that Slovak soldiers in UN peacekeeping units will not be withdrawn from the island. There are currently 159 Slovak troops in the UNFICYP peacekeeping mission that has been operating there since 2001. In Cyprus, Lajcak met with Foreign Minister Erato Kozakou-Marcoullis, President Demetris Christofias, and with the Mayor of Nicosia

Constantinos Yiorkadjis. Cypriot officials appreciated the long-term role of Slovak diplomacy in the dialogue between the Greek Cypriot and Turkish-Cypriot communities and the role of Slovak troops in the UNFICYP mission. The mission is to prevent renewed fighting between the Cypriot Greeks and Turks, to ensure compliance with the ceasefire between the warring parties and help to restore and maintain law and order on the island. „The head of Slovak diplomacy assured them that the Slovak side will continue in these activities,“ the ministry’s press department informed media. Both parties also declared their interest in further deepening of Slovak-Cypriot relations in all areas.

Slovak-Cypriot relations in all areas. Lajcak pointed out that in the interest of both parties it is necessary to complete the necessary contractual-legal base, where he specifically mentioned the absence of an agreement on avoiding double taxation. Lajcak and the Cypriot partners paid considerable attention to the post-election situation in Greece. Both sides appreciated that the Greek voters favored particularly pro-European parties, which is the basis for maintaining stability in the euro area. „We consider the project of the euro very important and successful, which brings convenience to our citizens. We therefore care to preserve and enhance stability in the euro area,“ said

Lajcak. He informed his partners of the intention of the Slovak Parliament to ratify the ESM and highlighted the solidarity exemplified by this mechanism. „This step again shows the responsibility and strength of the European Union,“ he concluded.

<https://sita.sk/slovak-peacekeepers-will-remain-in-cyprus/>

2012



27/05/2013

Visit of the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic H.E. Miroslav Lajčák to the buffer zone

2013

16/02/2016

Medal Ceremony – Awarding the Slovak soldiers for their service to peace







23/06/2016  
Visit of the  
Minister of  
Defence of the  
Slovak Republic  
Mr. Peter Gajdoš



2016



22/11/2020  
Visit of the Minister of Foreign and European Affairs of the Slovak Republic H.E. Ivan Korčok and the Minister of Defence of the Slovak Republic Mr. Jaroslav Nad'



22/05/2022  
UNPOL Medal  
Ceremony with  
Slovak police  
contingent



2022



12/12/2022  
Visit of the  
President of the  
Slovak  
Republic  
H.E. Zuzana  
Čaputová to UNPA



2022



01/02/2023

Donation of the Embassy by the Slovak Republic and SLOVCON to the SOS Children's Villages



08/02/2023

Donation of the Embassy by the Slovak Republic and SLOVCON to the Makarios Children's Hospital



13/02/2023

3<sup>rd</sup> round of the initiative "Drop of Slovak blood in Cyprus"





03/06/2023

International Children's Day with the Slovak peacekeepers in Athienou in the presence of the Mayor Mr. Kyriacos Kareklas





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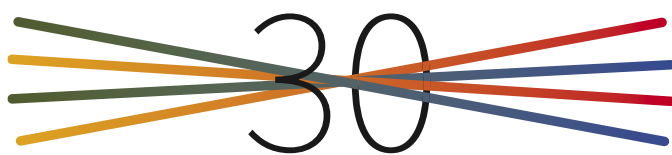
Dušan Duffek, co-founder from Slovakia

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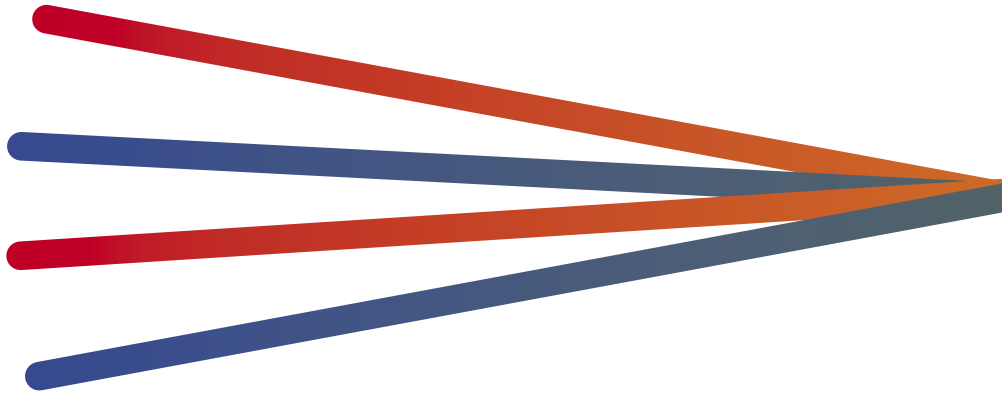




"Cyprus' unique geography helps Reflect facilitate connections and networking between the business ecosystems of the three neighboring continents. The festival has become a melting pot of the wider region's entrepreneurs, investors, startups, policy-makers and decision-makers." Stylianos Lambrou, co-founder from Cyprus







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