

## AmCham Board Meeting

### MINUTES

**9 JUNE 2022**

Attendance list:

Company Name	Representative	16/09	23/09	14/10	11/11	09/12	13/1	10.2	10.3	14.4	12.5	9.6
ACM Christofides	George Apeyitos	√	√	√	√	√		√		√	√	
Advance Business Solutions A. (ABS) Ltd	Aristodemos Anastassiades	√	√		√	√	√	√			√	√
Baker Tilly	Savvas Klitou	√	√	√	√	√	√	√		√		√
Bank of Cyprus	Demetris Demetriou	√					√	√		√	√	√
Cablenet	Thomas Hoplaros	√	√	√			√	√		√	√	√
Chrysses Demetriades & Co. LLC	Demosthenes Mavrellis	√	√		√							
Deloitte Ltd	Michael Michaelides	E	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	
EcommBX Ltd	Michael Christos G. Charalambides	√	√	√	√			√				
Elias Neocleous	Kyriacos Xenophontos	E	E	√	√			√		√		
ExxonMobil Cyprus	Louiza Papageorgiou	√	√	√	√		√	√		√	√	
George Z. Georgiou & Associates LLC	Constantinos Pashiardis	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	√	
Hellenic Bank	George Sklavos	√	√	√				√		√		
Kyndril (IBM before)	Marios Kapiris	√	√	√			√	√		√		
IBM	Antonia Michael						√	√	√	√	√	√
K. Treppides & Co Ltd	Cosmas Cosma	√	√	√	√		√	√	√		√	√
KPMG Ltd	Michael Halios	√	√		√		√	√	√	√		√
Logicom Public	Georgios Georgiou	√		√		√	√	√	√			√
Microsoft	Paris P Savva	√	√	√	√	√	√	√			√	√

NCR	Kyriacos Kyriacou	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	✓
Newcytech Business Solutions Ltd	Andreas Dermosoniades	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			✓	✓	
Oracle Cyprus	Antonis Skoullou	✓			✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
P.G.T. The Magnet Enterprises Ltd	Periklis Theodoridis	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓		✓		✓
PwC	Stelios Violaris	E	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓			✓
The Economist/ Way Out Communications	John Georgoullas	✓	✓		✓	✓				✓		
University of Nicosia	Elena Kontemeniotis	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓		✓	✓	
US Embassy in Nicosia	Mark Palermo Ephie Charalambidou	✓	✓	E	E	✓	✓	✓		✓	✓	
AmCham Board Secretary	Lia Riris	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
AmCham Operations Officer	Jovanna Youselli							✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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The board meeting was held virtually. The president briefed the board about attending an event organized by CCCI (diplomacy meets business breakfast meeting). The purpose of the event is to bring closer the diplomatic community with the business community.

1. Approval of Minutes

The board approved the Minutes for the Board Meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup> May 2022 were approved.

2. New Members Recruitment

The President briefed the board on a new individual membership request – Ms. Nicoletta Kouvara from APTUS LEGAL \ NICOLETTA KOUVARA & PARTNERS LLC. The new member was unanimously approved.



### 3. Briefing on the Breakfast and the Trade Mission

The feedback received for the Breakfast with Minister Ms. Natasa Pilides on the 26<sup>th</sup> of May 2022 was very positive. The event was very informative.

The President said that Ephie will brief the board for the trade mission during the next board meeting. Need to discuss the next trade mission that the Embassy is organizing in September. Kapiris said that AmCham needs to be involved as part of the integrated strategy.

### 4. Upcoming Events

- **Cyprus Vision 2035: The path to growth**

The event due to take place on 9th of June 2022 at Chateaux Status in Nicosia was cancelled due to the unexpected passing of the Ministry of Labor, Ms. Zeta Aimilianidou. The event was very well received with over 100 registrations. the secretariat of AmCham will liaise with the Minister and speakers to set a new date

- **Independence Day BBQ**

The secretariat of AmCham Cyprus will look into dates at the beginning of July. If no date is secured the event will be moved to late August or early September based on the ambassadors availability.

- **Annual Gala Dinner**

The Annual Gala dinner which will take place in September potentially in line with the AGM.

### 5. AmCham Committees Updates

**Digital Transformation** – The Chair of the Committee, Marios Kapiris, informed the board on the committee’s activities notably:

- Discussions with the Office of Electronic Communications & Postal Regulations on how private and public sector can align towards our common goals.



- A Letter will be sent to Deputy Minister of Research, Innovation and Digital Policy expressing the support of AmCham and the committee to the MOU signed between the ministry and the US.
- A meeting will be arranged between the law office of George Z. Georgiou (board member of AmCham Cyprus, represented by Constantinos Pashiardis) to brief the committee on the cloud privacy issues in banking.

***Energy & Sustainability*** – Breakfast was organized by the committee.

***Events & Sponsorship*** – The 2035 will be rescheduled soon.

***Women in Business*** – Have some new members, will organize a meeting soon

6. AmCham New Form Update – Legal work update

Currently no update to provide to the board.

7. AOB

Nicolas Kyriakides, representing the AmCham member Harris Kyriakides Law Office will attend the next board meeting to present/discuss AmCham’s potential involvement to the “Cyprus Forum” initiative.

Kinisis Venture has send a proposal to AmCham to be involved in a trade mission regarding Cypriot start ups to the US. This will be discuss further with the relevant subcommittee.