



News from our firm

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From the managing partner

I am delighted to inform our clients and friends of some exciting developments regarding Andreas Neocleous & Co.

Merger of M A Kyriacou Law Firm

The first of these is that M A KYRIACOU LAW FIRM will merge with Andreas Neocleous & Co with effect from 1 January 2007. M A KYRIACOU LAW FIRM was established by Maria A Kyriacou in 2001 and has built a reputation as a reliable, resourceful firm offering quality and assurance to all its clients in the fields of corporate law, mergers and acquisitions, take-overs, capital markets law, taxation, intellectual property law and insolvency law.

Maria Kyriacou will become a partner in Andreas Neocleous & Co and head of our Nicosia office from 1 January 2007. She is a Barrister-at-Law (Middle Temple) London (1968-1971), with 35 years' experience in corporate law, patent and trade mark legislation, intellectual property and insolvency. Maria Kyriacou is a member of the Cyprus Parliament and the former Registrar of Companies of Cyprus, Official Receiver and Registrar of Patents, Trade Marks and Copyright.

Maria's colleagues Yianna Erotokritos and Efrosini Monou will join our corporate department in Nicosia. Yianna obtained an LLB from the University of Warwick and an LLM from the University of Bristol. She was admitted to the Cyprus Bar in 2004. Having previously worked as an in-house lawyer for the Cyprus Securities and Exchange Commission she now specialises in corporate law, capital markets law, intellectual property and competition law.

Efrosini attended Keele University and obtained an LLB in Law and Business Administration. She was admitted to the Cyprus Bar in 2003 and specialises in corporate and intellectual property law.



Election of new partners

I am also delighted to announce the election of two of our young lawyers to the partnership with effect from 1 January 2007.

Nicholas Ktenas

Nicholas Ktenas will become a partner in Andreas Neocleous & Co and deputy head of the Nicosia office. Nicholas graduated in law from Sheffield University in 1997 and obtained his LLM in EU law from Nottingham University in 1998. Nicholas was admitted to the Cyprus Bar in 1999. He has been with the firm since October 2001 and specialises in corporate law, particularly in the areas of intellectual property, competition and employment.



Olga Mikhailova

Olga Mikhailova will become a partner in Andreas Neocleous & Co (Overseas), responsible for overseeing our Moscow and Kiev offices. Olga graduated in law from Perm State University in Russia and has a Master of Laws in EU Law (Commercial) from Leicester University and a post-graduate diploma from the international tax law programme at Robert Kennedy University in Switzerland. Her main areas of practice are civil law, corporate and tax law.



In conclusion

I congratulate our new partners and welcome our new colleagues. This strengthening of our resources will help us achieve our vision of providing world-class service to our clients.

Finally I should like to thank you for your support over the past year and offer you Season's Greetings and wish you a happy and prosperous New Year. The firm has decided to make a donation to charity rather than send Christmas cards.