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The Israeli Experience in Research & Development: A Model for the Cypriot Economy



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Date: Thursday, 13 June 2013
Time: 16:30
Venue: Library, University of Nicosia Medical School
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Programme

- 16:30** Introduction
Prof. Andreas Charalambous
Executive Dean, Medical School
- 16:40** Welcome Address
H.E. Mr Michael Harari
Ambassador, Embassy of Israel
- 16:45** National Policy for Innovation, the Israeli Case
Prof. Yehoshua Gleitman
Former Chief Scientist and Director General of Israel's Ministry of Industry and Trade
- 17:15** The Sheba Medical Center Experience in Research and Development:
Technology Transfer with the Bio-tech Industry
Prof. Shlomo Noy
*VP for Research and Development and Academic Affairs - Sheba Medical Center,
Tel-Hashomer*
- 17:30** From Academic Research to the Development of a Product
Prof. Philippos C. Patsalis
Chief Executive Medical Director, Cyprus Institute of Neurology & Genetics (CING)
- 17:45** Panel Discussion
Mr George Georghiou (Moderator)
Permanent Secretary of the Planning Bureau
- 18:00** Q&A Session

A cocktail reception will follow

Biography of Guest Speakers & Moderator

Professor Yehoshua (Shuki) Gleitman

Former Chief Scientist and Director General of Israel's Ministry of Industry and Trade

Dr. Gleitman is Chairman of the Board of Directors of Capital Point Group, Chairman of Elbit System Board committees, the Chairman of HIT (the largest technology college in Israel), the Chairman of Rabin Centre and a general partner at Platinum-Neuron Venture Fund (PNV). Dr. Gleitman is senior consultant to the World Bank for National Policy of Innovation, and advises several nations in this field. Dr. Gleitman served as Chief Scientist and Director General of Israel's Ministry of Industry and Trade, where he managed all of the Israeli Government technological programs. In the course of his tenure, Dr. Gleitman was responsible for allocating over \$1.5 billion in grants in the framework of promoting R&D activities in the Israeli high-tech industry. Dr. Gleitman also served as the CEO of Ampal Investment Group (NASDAQ: AMPL), where he was responsible for the investment of over \$200 million in high-tech ventures. During his tenure at Ampal, Dr. Gleitman led a \$330 million joint venture with Motorola Israel founding Mirs Communications Ltd., Israel's fourth largest cellular operator. Dr. Gleitman holds a Ph.D. (with distinction), MSc. (with distinction) and BSc. in Physical Chemistry, from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Professor Shlomo Noy

VP for Research and Development and Academic Affairs – Sheba Medical Center, Tel-Hashomer

Prof. Noy has served as the Director of the Chaim Sheba Medical Center Rehabilitation Hospital since 1993, and the VP of Research and Development, and Clinical Trials at Sheba since 1995. He graduated from the Hebrew University Hadassah School of Medicine, in Jerusalem (1978) and received his MBA from INSEAD, Fontainebleau (1985) and Ph.D. in Health Care Management from the Tel Aviv University (1997). He is board certified in Psychiatry and Health Management Care (1990). He has been Professor at the Sackler Medical School, Tel Aviv University since 1998.

Professor Philippos C. Patsalis

Chief Executive Medical Director, Cyprus Institute of Neurology & Genetics

Prof. Patsalis holds a PhD degree in Genetics from the City University of New York, USA and specialized in Human Genetics at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Center and the Cornell Medical Center, New York, USA. He is the Chief Executive Medical Director of The Cyprus Institute of Neurology and Genetics and Chief Executive Director and Professor of the Cyprus School of Molecular Medicine. He is the Founder and Chief Executive Director of NIPD Genetics Ltd, a biotechnology company in the field of Genetics. Prof. Patsalis is a member of the Board of Directors of several European genetics organizations and associations, Cyprus National Representative in European committees and member of the Cyprus Scientific Council. He is a scientist with an international reputation in the field of Genetics, with more than 100 invitations as invited lecturer in Universities and conferences around the world and more than 100 original peer review papers in scientific journals including Nature Medicine, Lancet, etc. He received many competitive research grants from the 5th, 6th, 7th EU programs, including the most competitive grant in the EU known as ERC Advanced which is awarded to very few senior scientists in Europe and is based purely on excellence. During the last 15 years he received several national and international awards, such as the National Research Award 2008, the National Award for Innovation 2009, the US State Department Alumni Award for 2011 and the highest honour of the Cyprus Parliament 2012.

Mr George Georghiou (Moderator)

Permanent Secretary of the Planning Bureau

Mr Georghiou holds a BSc degree in Economics & Statistics and an MSc degree in Operational Research, from the University of Southampton, UK. He holds the post of the Permanent Secretary of the Planning Bureau since March 2010. Mr Georghiou has, throughout his career, worked in various posts in the Planning Bureau and has varied experience in areas such as macro-economic policy, regional development, environment, agriculture and fisheries, external relations and EU funds management. Mr Georghiou served as Secretary to the Council of Ministers from May 2009 to March 2013. Mr Georghiou, in his capacity as Permanent Secretary of the Planning Bureau, is Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Cyprus Research Foundation.
