

TechIsland: Turning Cyprus into the Tech Island

In March 2021, a group of tech founders and CEOs based in Cyprus, found themselves engaged in a long conversation about the island's potential to emerge as a technology and innovation hub in the Mediterranean. This conversation led to the common vision of establishing a non-profit organization that will onboard companies and professionals in Cyprus, and eventually led to the formation of the aptly named TechIsland Association, with an agenda of interlinking objectives that would accelerate the tech industry's growth and place Cyprus on the global tech map.

TechIsland is a non-profit organisation for IT companies, VC funds & start-ups, that fosters Cyprus' innovative ecosystem through policymaking, ecosystem development projects, social projects, events & networking opportunities. Within the space of just a few months, it has emerged as the largest tech association in Cyprus, bringing together more than 150 locally based tech and innovative companies.

Its mission is simple yet ambitious: to promote the interests of the IT companies in Cyprus and to improve the reputation of the country as a world class destination for tech companies and tech talent.

Here, we present the strategic priorities of the TechIsland agenda, against the backdrop of a nationwide awakening that technology is already becoming deeply embedded in the country's economic and social fabric:

1. Improve the operating environment for existing tech companies
2. Help improve the working and living environment for international-class tech talent
3. Increase awareness of growth & opportunities in the tech and innovation sector in Cyprus
4. Contribute to the development of the tech and innovation ecosystem in Cyprus
5. Support efforts to promote the Cyprus tech ecosystem abroad
6. Support CSR activities, that promote clean and eco environment, education in Cyprus

The goal of Techisland is to work with the local technology sector and public sector to help boost the technology and innovation infrastructure that is expected to become a crucial economic engine with a significant impact on GDP, tax revenue, and job creation for the Cypriot economy by the year 2030, which will become through the collective efforts on the areas of:

- ✓ Policymaking
- ✓ Ecosystem development
- ✓ Social impact
- ✓ Community building

Amid the constant efforts to build bridges across political divides, TechIsland would seem to be the perfect starting point for academia, state and capital to gather momentum together in the race to make Cyprus the tech island of the Mediterranean.

If you would like to learn more about the Organization and if you are interested to join as a Member, you can get in touch with us at hello@thetechisland.org

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