

Reference Number: 07.14.320.004

**FINAL REPORT OF THE CYPRUS AGENCY OF QUALITY ASSURANCE AND ACCREDITATION IN HIGHER EDUCATION**

**EVALUATION - ACCREDITATION  
OF THE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION WITH NAME**

**IN GREEK:**  
**Κτηνιατρική Σχολή  
και  
Τμήμα Κτηνιατρικής**

**IN ENGLISH:**  
**School of Veterinary Medicine  
and  
Department of Veterinary Medicine**

**OF THE HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTION  
European University Cyprus**

This Final Report was prepared on the basis of Article (20)(2)(f)(i) of the "Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education and the Establishment and Operation of an Agency on Related Matters Laws" of 2015 to 2021 [L. 136 (I)/2015 - L. 132(I)/2021].

**THE PROCEDURE:**

On 10 July 2023, the legal representative of the Higher Education Institution European University Cyprus, submitted an application (Doc. 200.2), based on Article (17) of the "Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education and the Establishment and Operation of an Agency on Related Matters Laws" of 2015 to 2021, for the evaluation-accreditation of the Institution with name:

**IN GREEK: Κτηνιατρική Σχολή και Τμήμα Κτηνιατρικής**

**IN ENGLISH: School of Veterinary Medicine and Department of Veterinary Medicine**

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In the framework of the competences conferred upon it by the relevant legislation, the Council of the Agency has constituted an External Evaluation Committee (EEC), consisting of four (4) academics, one expert in student welfare issues, one expert in matters of building and technological infrastructure, one member from the Professional Association that grants the working licence and one university student. The EEC after initially examining the Institution's application for evaluation and accreditation, performed an on-site visit at the institution 11 and 12 December 2023.

The EEC met with the head of the institution, the heads of the departments, the programmes' coordinators, members of the academic staff, and members of the administrative staff, students and/or their representatives and the Internal Quality Assurance Committee.

Additionally, it reviewed the Institution's facilities (library, computer rooms, laboratories, classrooms, research infrastructure, etc.), the institution's academic profile and orientation, quality assurance system and strategy, administrative structures, curriculum planning processes and the organization of teaching, the suitability of the academic and teaching staff and the research support mechanisms as well as various other documents presented to it and/or requested by the ECC.

The EEC has documented its findings and recommendations and drew up the External Evaluation Report in the Doc. 300.2.1.

### **CYQAA Council's Decision**

The Council of the Cyprus Agency of Quality Assurance and Accreditation of Higher Education, during its 103<sup>rd</sup> Summit on 12 February 2024, on the basis of Article (20)(2)(f)(i) of the "Quality Assurance and Accreditation in Higher Education and the Establishment and Operation of an Agency on Related Matters Laws" of 2015 to 2021 [L. 136 (I)/2015 - L. 132(I)/2021], and on the basis of the suggestions of the External Evaluation Committee, and the comments of the institution on the External Evaluation Committee report and the Feedback report from the External Evaluation Committee, **decided that the Institution is accredited as: School of Veterinary Medicine of the Private University of Higher Education, European University Cyprus.**

**The Agency requires the Institution within the period of 2 academic semesters and no later than the beginning of the Fall semester of the academic year 2025-2026 to comply with the following:**

- **Proceed to the recruitment of experienced research oriented academic staff specialized in teaching second, third and fourth year courses in Animal Behavior and Welfare, Genetics and Developmental Biology, Structure and Function, Pathophysiology, Animal Husbandry, Immunology/Microbiology, Reproduction and Nutrition and Metabolism.**

- **Establish full readiness of the small animal hospital - no later than the beginning of the Fall semester of the academic year 2026-2027 when the clinical practice begins- that includes adequate equipment and supplies, training staff, protocols for animal care and emergencies.**
- **Provide contracts of spaces and personnel for large animal clinical practice that include comprehensive agreements regarding the use of spaces, provided services, liability assumptions, operation hours, compensation and other relevant terms**

The current accreditation begins in the Fall semester of the academic year 2024 –2025 and ceases to be in effect at the end of the Spring semester of the academic year 2028 – 2029

On the basis of Article (4) (c) of the relevant Law, it is noted that "the above accreditation is valid for the period provided by the provisions of the Law and is repeated every five (5) years and that the procedure starts at the request of the institution which must, and shall be submitted at least sixteen (16) months before the expiry of the previous accreditation".

Additionally, on the basis of Article (17)(3)(g) during the period of validity of the Accreditation, the Agency acting of its own motion, may examine whether the criteria continue to be met and if they are not met, then the Agency shall revoke the Accreditation, and immediately inform the institution concerned.



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President of the Board of the  
Cyprus Agency of Quality Assurance and  
Accreditation in Higher Education

12 February 2024