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FUNECAP AND CYPRUS CREMATION SOCIETY ANNOUNCE STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP TO DELIVER MODERN CREMATION SERVICES IN CYPRUS

Partnership brings together local advocacy expertise with international operational excellence to establish Cyprus's first comprehensive crematorium facility

NICOSIA, CYPRUS / PARIS, FRANCE – The Cyprus Cremation Society (CCS) and Funecap, the growth leader of the funeral infrastructures and services market in Europe, are pleased to announce a strategic partnership to develop and operate a state-of-the-art crematorium in Cyprus.

This milestone represents a historic shift from advocacy to action, turning years of campaigning into the practical delivery of modern end-of-life choice for the people of Cyprus. Under the agreement, Funecap will bring the capital and operational capabilities needed to evolve the project from a long-standing advocacy effort into a flagship facility dedicated to providing families with the highest standards of care. The partnership brings together CCS's strong local presence and advocacy experience with Funecap's international technical and industry expertise.

Dr Ian Hussein, Founder of the Cyprus Cremation Society, will continue to lead the project.

"This partnership ensures the original mission of the Cyprus Cremation Society is delivered in a sustainable and professional way," said Dr Hussein. "By joining forces with Funecap, we are moving from campaigning for cremation provision to actually delivering it—while preserving the values, purpose, and community focus that led to the creation of the CCS."

Thierry Gisserot, Co-CEO of Funecap, commented:

"Cyprus represents an important and natural next step for Funecap. We are pleased to partner with the Cyprus Cremation Society and work with Dr Hussein, whose vision, expertise, and deep understanding of the local context have built strong foundations for this project. Our role is to bring long-term investment, operational excellence, and the highest professional standards to ensure a service that is respectful, sustainable, and aligned with the needs of the"

Cypriot population.

PROJECT DETAILS

The crematorium will be developed in central Cyprus to serve the entire island population. With growing recognition of the need for cremation services across Cyprus, the facility is designed to:

- Provide genuine freedom of choice for families who prefer cremation
- Help preserve limited burial space for Orthodox communities
- Meet modern European standards for environmental responsibility
- Serve all communities across Cyprus with respect and dignity

The project responds to increasing demand for cremation services and will complement efforts to expand end-of-life choice throughout the island.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

CCS supporters and members will remain engaged through an informal association facilitated by CCS, ensuring ongoing dialogue, transparency, and community involvement throughout the planning, permitting, and delivery phases.

"This partnership combines local vision and community engagement with proven international expertise and investment," Dr Hussein added. "It represents a truly significant step forward for Cyprus and for families who will benefit from having real choice at a difficult time."

NEXT STEPS

Further updates will be shared as the project progresses through the regulatory and development process.

ABOUT THE CYPRUS CREMATION SOCIETY

Founded by Dr Ian Hussein, the Cyprus Cremation Society has campaigned to establish cremation services in Cyprus, responding to growing demand from both Cypriot and international communities on the island.

ABOUT FUNECAP

Funecap is the leading growth player in Europe's funeral infrastructure and services market. The company operates a broad European network and is focused on long-term value creation, professional excellence, environmental responsibility, and the delivery of respectful, high-quality services.

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