



## Cemetery in Kyrenia Area

This is a project of the Technical Committee on Cultural Heritage



### PROJECT OVERVIEW

*Start Date:* **November 2019**

*End Date:* **December 2019**

*Type of intervention:* **Emergency Measures**

*Total cost:* **7,300 Euros**

The cemetery is located in the Kyrenia area of Cyprus.

The side and rear walls of the cemetery are mainly comprised of rubble stones and support a whitewash finish. The front wall of the cemetery has been reinforced with concrete beams and columns. Infill has been made with concrete blocks and has been covered with white paint.

There is a chapel inside the cemetery. The chapel has been built with concrete members, infilled with concrete bricks and render, and finished with white paint.

The existing openings, at the chapel, have no closure. There is only a metal gate at the openings.



After



Before



After

Main interventions for this site include:

- Reconstructing the collapsed parts of the rubble stone walls at the rear wall and side walls of the cemetery;
- Lime washing the reconstructed masonry area;
- Repairing the existing cement plasters on the front wall;
- Painting the existing metal members of the cemetery, including the gate and the metal fence;
- Trimming the seasonal vegetations.



Before



After

The interventions carried out for this site comprised emergency support measures in order to preserve the site's current status. Emergency measures are for the purpose of safeguarding the structures from further decay and do not include full conservation/restoration/rehabilitation measures.

Since 2012 approximately €27 million has been invested by several donors, benefiting over 100 Cultural Heritage Sites across Cyprus to implement the priorities of the Technical Committee on Cultural Heritage for the preservation of the island-wide cultural heritage in Cyprus.

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The project is funded by the European Union and implemented by UNDP in partnership with the Technical Committee on Cultural Heritage.

## **European Union**

Since 2012 approximately **€19.9 million of European Union funds** have been provided by the European Commission to implement the priorities of the Technical Committee on Cultural Heritage for the preservation of the island-wide cultural heritage in Cyprus. The European Union is the biggest supporter of the work of the Technical Committee on Cultural Heritage in Cyprus.

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