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Webinar

The state of health in Cyprus

5th MAY, 10:00 – 11:15 CEST

Over two years after the start of the COVID-19 pandemic, European countries are now at a key juncture. Health services have changed rapidly and dramatically to respond to the health emergency, and many countries have now turned attention to recovery while continuing to register a significant number of COVID-19 cases.

As part of the '[State of Health in the EU](#)' (SoHEU) - a two-year recurring project that the European Commission has carried out in partnership with the OECD and the European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies since 2016 – this webinar will present a data-based account of the state of the health system in Cyprus from a comparative, EU-wide perspective.

Based on the key findings from Cyprus' Country Health Profile 2021 and the European Commission's Companion Report, presenters and panelists will discuss:

1. To what extent did the COVID-19 pandemic impact the pace of recent health system reforms in Cyprus, notably the operational roll-out of the new national health system "GeSY"?
2. Which government policies and investments should be prioritized in coming years for the Cypriot health system?

Supporting documents:

Cyprus: Country Health Profile 2021 [[link EN](#)] [[link EL](#)]

State of Health in the EU – Companion Report 2021 [[link](#)]

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AGENDA

- 10.00 *Welcome & introduction*
Christos PASCHALIDES – Senior Economic Advisor/Member of the EC Recovery and Resilience Task Force
- 10.05 *Presentations:*
- *European health systems resilience in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic*
Dirk VAN DEN STEEN – Country desk officer for Cyprus, Performance of national health systems unit - DG for Health and Food Safety, European Commission

 - *The state of health in Cyprus: key findings from the Country Health Profile 2021*
Erica RICHARDSON – Research Fellow, European Observatory on Health Systems and Policies; Associate Professor, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (LSHTM)
- 10.30 *Panel discussion (English) – presenters will be joined by:*
- Irene COTTER** – Senior Medical Officer, Ministry of Health of Cyprus
Petros AGATHAGGELOU – President, Pancyprian Medical Association
Andreas PAPACONSTANTINOU – Director, Health Insurance Organization
Marios KOULOUMAS – President, Cyprus Federation of Patients' Associations
- 11:00 *Q&A session*
- 11.15 *Final remarks & conclusions*