

# CYPRUS AND THE COMMONWEALTH (1961-2021)

## ONLINE INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE MARKING THE 60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF CYPRUS' ACCESSION TO THE COMMONWEALTH 20-21 MAY 2021

### CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

#### 1st Day of Conference

Thursday  
20 May 2021  
17.45 – 19.30

##### OPENING CEREMONY

**Chair: Constantinos Phellas**, Senior Vice Rector, University of Nicosia. Member of the Board, Royal Commonwealth Society Cyprus Branch

##### Welcome Addresses

**Philip Murphy**, Director, Institute of Commonwealth Studies, University of London  
**Ben Rawlings**, Deputy High Commissioner of the United Kingdom in Cyprus  
**Achilles C. Emilianides**, Dean, School of Law, University of Nicosia. Chair, Royal Commonwealth Society Cyprus Branch

##### Introductory Address

**Patricia Scotland**, PC, QC, Secretary-General of the Commonwealth

##### Keynote Address

**Robert Holland**, Professor Emeritus, Senior Research Fellow, Institute of Commonwealth Studies, University of London  
*The Anglo-Cypriot Relationship: Some Reflections*

#### End of 1st Day of Conference

#### 2nd Day of Conference

Friday  
21 May 2021  
10.30 – 11.30

##### SESSION I

##### The Diplomatic History of Cyprus' Accession to the Commonwealth

**Chair: Emilios Solomou**, Director, UNESCO Chair, University of Nicosia. Vice-Chair, Royal Commonwealth Society Cyprus Branch

**Hubert Faustmann** Professor, School of Law, University of Nicosia  
*The Controversy over Cypriot Membership in the Commonwealth*

**Andreas Karyos** Adjunct Faculty, School of Law, University of Nicosia &  
**Marinos Papaioakeim** PhD cand., University of Cyprus

*Cyprus in the Commonwealth: Pre-membership Perceptions by the Greek Cypriot Elites, 1959-1961*

**Diana Markides**, Associate Research Fellow, University of Cyprus  
*Diplomatic Ambiguity: Cyprus, the Commonwealth, the Non-aligned Movement, and the Greek-Turkish Framework, 1961-1963*

11.30 – 12.30

##### SESSION II

##### Cyprus and the Commonwealth in Political Perspective

**Chair: Michalis Kontos**, Assistant Professor, School of Law, University of Nicosia

**Andreas Theophanous** Professor, President, Cyprus Center for European and International Affairs, Head, Department of Politics and Governance, School of Law, University of Nicosia

*A Critical Assessment of the Relations between the Republic of Cyprus and Britain, 1960-2020 and the Way Forward*

**Elizabeth C. Negus** Member, The Worshipful Company of Educators  
*Cypriot Diasporas in the Commonwealth*

**Achilles C. Emilianides** Professor, Dean, School of Law, University of Nicosia  
*Commonwealth and Cyprus: A Re-assessment*

12.30 – 13.30

##### SESSION III

##### Cyprus in the Commonwealth: Specific Legal Questions

**Chair: Anna Plevri**, Assistant Professor, School of Law, University of Nicosia

**Katerina Elia** PhD cand., NKUA. Adjunct Faculty, School of Law, University of Nicosia  
*Cyprus Contract Law: Assimilations of and Deviations from Common Law*

**Carollann Braum** PhD cand., Institute of Commonwealth Studies, University of London

*The Role of Legal Measures and Remedies to Address Conflict in Cyprus from 1955 to Present Day: Values, Expectations, and Achievements*

**Dimitrios A. Kourtis** PhD cand. AUTH. Research Associate, School of Law, University of Nicosia

*International Law and International Organisation: Legal Obligations Arising from the Participation of Cyprus in the Commonwealth*

#### End of 2nd Day of Conference

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