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### **UCY STEPS UP TO AID SYRIAN REFUGEES: FULL-TUITION POSTGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS TO BE AWARDED TO SYRIAN STUDENTS**

Within the framework of its commitment to serving public good and assisting those whose educations have been hindered by turmoil and warfare, the University of Cyprus has decided to admit a number of Syrian student refugees, who meet UCY's admissions standards, giving them the opportunity to pursue graduate studies.

Moreover, UCY has pledged to participate in the 5-year duration project titled "*Scholarships Awarded by the Republic of Cyprus to Syrian Refugees for Postgraduate Studies at Cypriot Universities for the Academic Year 2016/17*" that the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has launched. The scholarships will cover the full amount of fees applied to the selected English-speaking program of studies, and applicants must be of Syrian nationality and reside in Jordan or Lebanon.

The project aims to give student refugees access to higher education, helping them to gain knowledge and qualifications that will enable them to seek employment and thus build a life for themselves and their families; knowledge and qualifications that will enable them to rebuild their country when the cessation of hostilities in the region will be achieved.

The School of Economics and Management has already awarded two full-tuition graduate scholarships to Palestinian students for the MBA Program (2016/2017).

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