



## International Day for the Cancer in Children and Adolescents

Seminar under the auspices of Ms Andri Anastasiades, spouse of the President of the Republic of Cyprus and Honorary President of the ELPIDA Foundation for children with cancer and leukemia

### “30 years of Pediatric Oncology in Cyprus: The past, the present and the future”

**Thursday 13th February 2020** / Conference hall of the Presidential Palace in Nicosia

opening time **5pm** / starting time **5:30pm** / ending time **7:30pm**

Information: 22515354, 99517401 and 99726836

This invitation and your identification document (ID or passport) are needed for entering the Presidential Palace.

#### Program of the Seminar

1. Musical introduction by the **Childrens Choir of the “Diastasis” Cultural Association**, Limassol, Cyprus.
2. Welcoming from Professor Maria Michailidis, from the **ELPIDA Foundation**.
3. Address by the **President of the Pediatric Association of Cyprus**, Professor N. Skordis.
4. Address by the **President of the Cyprus Medical Association**, Dr P. Agathaggelou.
5. Address by the **President of the State Health Services Organization**, Mr M. Panayides.
6. Address by the **Minister of Health of the Republic of Cyprus**, Mr Constantinos Ioannou
7. Address by the **Member of the European Parliament (MEP), President of the MEPs Against Cancer Group, Ambassador of Philanthropy of the ELPIDA Foundation**, Mr Loukas Fourlas.
8. Address by the **Commissioner of Health of the European Union**, Ms Stella Kyriakides.
9. Address by the **Honorary President of the ELPIDA Foundation and spouse of the President of the Republic of Cyprus**, Ms Andri Anastasiades.
10. **“Recent key developments in the care of children and adolescents with cancer”**, Professor Kathy Pritchard Jones, President of the International Society of Pediatric Oncology, SIOP.
11. **“Beating childhood cancer: Cure more and cure better, towards zero deaths and zero late effects, Paediatric cancer in the EU policy agenda”** Professor Gilles Vassal, Department of Pediatric Cancerology, Hospital Institut Gustave Roussy, Paris, France.
12. **“1990-2020: The Pediatric Oncology – Hematology Clinic and the fight against cancer and leukemia in children and adolescents in Cyprus”**, Professor Loizos G. Loizou, Medical School, University of Nicosia, Director, Pediatric Oncology/Hematology Clinic, Archbishop Makarios III Hospital, Nicosia, Cyprus.
13. **Ceremony for honoring the experts** who have been supporting the development of Pediatric Oncology/ Hematology in Cyprus over the last 30 years.
14. Concert by the **Childrens Choir of the “Diastasis” Cultural Association**, Limassol, Cyprus.

Presentation and coordination: Andrea Papadopoulou, ELPIDA Foundation - A reception will follow after the seminar.

#### ELPIDA Foundation - 30 years working and offering for children with cancer and leukemia

1. The “ELPIDA” Hostel, a home and a refuge since 1996, with free services for the children and their families during the difficult and dangerous long periods of treatment and hospitalization
2. Purchase of modern equipment for the Paediatric Oncology-Hematology Clinic
3. Support and financing the continuous education of all professionals involved
4. Organizing seminars and congresses for health professionals, parents and the general public
5. Creation of the first laboratories for bone marrow transplantation and leukemia
6. Psychological and social help to the children and their families
7. Therapeutic Recreation Programs since 1996 in cooperation with Barretstown Gang Camp in Ireland
8. Financial help to the families of children with cancer or leukemia.

Co-organizers / Support

**Pediatric Society of Cyprus, Cyprus Medical Association, Medical School University of Nicosia**

Certificates of attendance with 2 Continuing Medical Education credits will be given to the participants