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Welcome note.



We are excited to present to you issue 47 of Remedica's Newsletter.

As Remedica is now preparing for the autumn, this issue highlights the numerous activities and events that took place between July and September. With the summer slowly drifting away, activity is flowing at Remedica, and we are anticipating a fresh start to the year!

Key highlights in this issue include being named a "National Winner" by the European Business Awards, its participation in various events as well as the completion of its new corporate video.

Remedica also undertook an array of corporate social responsibility (CSR) events such as financially supporting the Cyprus Autism Association, funding the Limassol Bicycle Tour, sponsoring a series of concerts by Alkistis Protopsalti in aid of the Sophia Foundation for Children, and by George Dalaras in support of the Association of Friends of the Center for Preventive Pediatrics. Important articles in this edition of the Newsletter are dedicated to pressing environmental and health matters.

We will leave you to continue reading Remedica's latest newsletter, and we hope you enjoy it!

Dr Michael Neoptolemos
Group Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

Remedica Worldwide.

Dunia Medical & Technology Equipment (DMETCO), Kuwait



Kuwait is a country in the Middle East, located between Iraq and Saudi Arabia and strategically situated at the head of the Persian Gulf. Its climate is characterised by dry, desert-like weather with intensely hot summers and short, cool winters. It has a geographically small, but wealthy, relatively open economy and holds more than 6% of world crude oil reserves.

Remedica's local representative is Dunia Medical & Technology Equipment (DMETCO), a partner with whom the company has been collaborating since 2005, the year of its establishment.

DMETCO has enjoyed a healthy, long-term relationship with Remedica. The company has a strong reputation in Kuwait for supplying hospitals, pharmacies, universities, the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Defence as well as the private market with pharmaceutical products, cosmetics, food supplements, surgical and laboratory equipment.

As a partner of Remedica in Kuwait, the company markets and distributes its products both through private channels as well as the country's Ministry of Health (MOH).

It also markets and distributes Remedica's products to the private market, targeting and promoting them to more than 400 pharmacies, hospitals and private clinics,

and participating in the MOH's and the Secretary-General of Health's tenders.

DMETCO has successfully managed to build and maintain an excellent reputation for Remedica whilst establishing an exceptional relationship with the health care professional community in Kuwait, thereby further promoting its name and products in the Kuwaiti market.

The company's vision is to further strengthen its close collaboration with Remedica by introducing more of its products in the Kuwaiti private market and in the local MOH market, and to be recognised as a leader in the medical and pharmaceutical field in Kuwait.

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Mr Emad M. Kamel, Director-General Manager of DMETCO

Featured Article.

Introducing Remedica's New Chief Executive Officer (CEO)



Remedica is pleased to present Dr Michael Neoptolemos, its new Chief Executive Officer (CEO).

Dr Neoptolemos has been a member of the top management of Remedica since 2014, moving into the role of Managing Director in 2017 and becoming Group CEO in 2019. He is a member of the Board of Directors of Remedica since 2017 and now the Chairman. He is the President of the Industrialist's Association of the A' Limassol Industrial Estate, was appointed by the Council of Ministers as a member of the National Board for Research and Innovation and he is a member of the Board of Directors in many other professional associations. He carried out his undergraduate and postgraduate studies in Cyprus as well as the UK, in the mechanical/aerospace fields where he got his PhD. Further postgraduate studies led to the award of several other Master's degrees in Business Administration, Public Administration, Human Resources & Organisational Behaviour and in Statistical Process Control. He worked as a postgraduate associate at various organisations, where he had the opportunity to collaborate with companies and academic institutes specialising in his field of interest and collaborating with world-class organisations. He then worked in the public sector for more than a decade, where he

contributed to the fields of industry and technology through studies and deliberations. He was an active member of the Diplomatic Service of the Republic of Cyprus to the EU as a Competitiveness and Growth Counsellor.

During the Cyprus Presidency of the Council of the EU, he chaired various EU Council working groups. Through tripartite dialogues with the European Parliament and the European Commission, he managed to conclude a number of European Union Acts, one agreement and one non-legal Act. He was also instrumental in achieving EU Ministerial conclusions. His contributions to the improvement of the EU legislature have been recognised in various ways by European Organisations such as the European Banking Federation, Business Europe, and the European Consumer Organisation. Dr Neoptolemos developed such a high reputation for his negotiation and coordination skills that the Greek Government requested to be included in the Greek Presidency of the Council of the EU negotiating team as an advisor for the Competitiveness and Growth Council working group. Before departing from the diplomatic service, he developed proposals for National Strategies on the Economic Crisis and Tourism, and for various initiatives aimed at developing synergies with other nations in the areas of entrepreneurship, technology and innovation. Currently, he attends the meetings of the Cyprus Chamber of Commerce and Industry and plays an important role in the implementation of government strategies in the fields of Industry, Tourism and Commerce through his participation in various forums and other activities.



Under Dr Neoptolemos's leadership, Remedica has increased its R&D activities, investing in the development of new pharmaceutical products and adding more and more international patents to its portfolio. As Remedica is regarded as one of the strongest players in the local market employing 720 people, Dr Neoptolemos found that his biggest knack for success with the company was the ability to find the right talent at the right time.

"Smart people hire smarter people than them, they don't tell them what to do", Dr Neoptolemos noted, explaining that he himself is trying to run Remedica the same way, by bringing in the brains and talents that will create, innovate and drive massive change. He continues:

"Reflecting on my experience, it is essential for a new entrant to recruit talented employees who possess the right competencies and sharp focus, elements that are crucial for a successful pharmaceutical business. Hence, recruitment policy and talent management are essential to optimising this resource. Additionally, the implementation of the right systems can lead to more efficient and timely operations if it is coupled with the right strategic decisions regarding product and market portfolio management."

As a visionary, he has a clear strategy for the company for the next 5 years: "The strategy for Remedica in the next 5 years is based on product and market portfolio management, human resources, operational efficiency and systems. Our five-pillar strategy has been partially implementing since I arrived at the company, and we can already see the fruits of such a vision. We are confident that it will deliver much more in the future. We are also a very flexible company which can ensure products of the highest quality for its customers in a very short time. Remedica can respond to customers' demands timely and swiftly, whereas others cannot deliver, and we are always there. As a company, we have been investing heavily in oncology and antiretroviral areas for the future."

Environmental Issues.

Climate Change and Boreal Forest Fires

by Sofianos Kyriakidis

Over the past decades, the scientific community has been repeatedly warning about the projected impact of climate change on the frequency and severity of forest fires. Perhaps one significant confirmation of these projections has been the recent fires in the boreal forests (aka taiga) of Siberia and Alaska.

According to the European Space Agency (ESA, 2019), an unprecedented amount of forest fires, observable from space, have been raging in the Arctic region, including Siberia, Alaska and Greenland. These fires have been a result of high record-breaking temperatures and lightning, powered by intense winds (ESA, 2019). As the World Meteorological Organisation (WMO, 2019) suggests, temperatures in Alaska hit a record height of 32°C on the 4th of July 2019. Meanwhile, the average June temperature in those parts of Siberia hit by forest fires was nearly ten degrees higher than the long term average temperature of the period between 1981 and 2010 (WMO, 2019).

It should be noted that between June and July 2019, more than 100 intense and prolonged wildfires were detected in the Arctic Circle (WMO, 2019). More worryingly, a study by Kelly et al. (2013) suggests that the fire frequency of modern boreal forests is higher in recent decades than at any other time since their establishment some 3.000 years ago (Kelly et al., 2013). Similarly, the European Environment Agency (2017) expects that climate change would strongly impact the forest fire patterns in Europe (EEA, 2017).

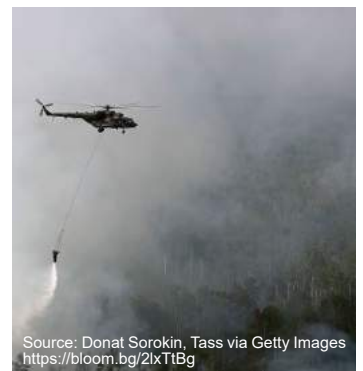
It could be argued that the Arctic has been associated with the unfolding of the impact of climate change, since the melting of the polar ice cap occurs in real-time, and can, therefore, be recorded by visual means. As the WMO (2019) suggests, the Northern hemisphere is warming at a faster rate, compared with the planet as a whole. In addition to the already fragile nature of the Arctic environment, the increasing heat removes the moisture from its forests, making them more susceptible to fire (WMO, 2019).

Ironically, boreal forest fires enhanced by climate change, contribute to the acceleration of climate change itself. According to WMO (2019), in June alone, these fires emitted 50 million metric tonnes of carbon dioxide (CO₂) into the atmosphere. To put this figure into perspective, this is equivalent to the total annual emissions of Sweden. Moreover, this is more than the combined emissions due to Arctic fires of all Junes of 2010-2018 (WMO, 2019).

Moreover, the loss of forests reduces the overall ability of the global ecosystem to absorb CO₂ and to moderate the increasing CO₂ levels in the atmosphere.



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According to Kurz et al. (2013), forests constitute the major CO₂ sink of the Northern hemisphere. Once the ability of these forests to absorb CO₂ decreases, then the benefits obtained from emission-reduction measures adopted by other sectors of the world are reduced or even completely offset (Kurz et al., 2013). The recent unprecedented boreal forest fires demonstrate the severity and scale of climate change effects unfolding in front of our very eyes. Despite the climate change mitigation strategies adopted by the EU and other nations, more decisive measures are urgently needed on a global scale to address the problem.

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Corporate Social Responsibility: Remedica Cares

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1) Charity Concert to Raise Funds for the Sophia Foundation for Children, Featuring Alkistis Protopsalti (photo. 1)

We are delighted to share with you that Remedica has recently sponsored a special concert by the renowned singer, Alkistis Protopsalti which aimed to raise funds for the Sophia Foundation for Children. The concert took place on the 4th of September at the Ancient Theatre of Kourion in Limassol and on the 5th of September at the Amphitheatre of the School for the Blind in Nicosia. Alongside Alkistis Protopsaltis, a group of well-known musicians were featured in this extraordinary musical journey, under the direction of Mr Thomas Kontogeorgis. The concert was a huge success, with Alkistis Protopsalti bringing her own usual quality and warmth to the stage, through her unique voice.

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2) The KES College Graduate with the Highest Grade Receives an Award from Remedica (photo. 2)

As part of Remedica's social contribution to the local community and its efforts to promote health and education in Cyprus, Remedica's Group CEO, Dr Michael Neoptolemos, presented Mr Demetris Trakkos, the graduate with the highest grade on the Medical Representatives course of KES College, with a monetary prize.

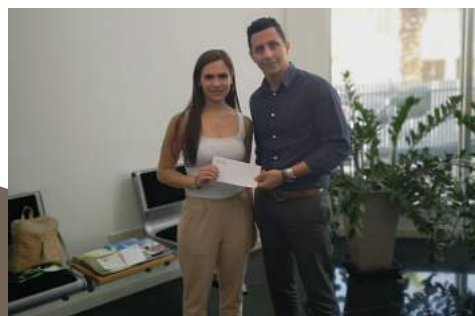
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3) Re-election of Remedica's Marketing Manager and National Sales Manager to the Board of CSR Cyprus (photo. 3)

We are proud to announce that Mr Andreas Hadjipanayis, Remedica's Marketing Manager and National Sales Manager, has been re-elected to the Board of Directors of CSR Cyprus. CSR Cyprus is an independent, non-profit, business-led membership organisation that aims to promote CSR and the sustainability of Cypriot businesses and organisations. This is a significant and welcome development for Remedica as the company is among the founders of CSR and places a huge emphasis on giving back to society. This will also unquestionably enable Remedica to place even greater importance on matters relating to CSR.

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4) Financial Support to the Cyprus Autism Association (photo. 4)

Remedica has recently provided financial support to help fund the Cyprus Autism Association in order to expand and upgrade its facilities. The Cyprus Autism Association was founded in 1990 to promote the wellbeing of people with autism and their families. Since then, the Association has joined the fight to secure the rights and a decent life for people afflicted with autism. The Association visited Remedica's premises on the 8th of July 2019, where its representatives met with Mr Antros Yiasemi, Human Resources Manager. During the meeting, Mr Yiasemi spoke about the important charity work that the company carries out and provided financial support to help fund the Association's activities. Remedica recognises the importance of the work and contribution of the association to the Society and reinforces it by supporting it financially and in other ways.

5) Remedica, a Main Sponsor for the Limassol Bicycle Tour (photo. 5)

A Limassol bicycle tour, sponsored by Remedica, was held on the 29th of June 2019, to financially support the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit of the Limassol General Hospital. This initiative was aimed at enabling the Unit to continue the vital work it carries out for infants of the districts of Limassol and Paphos. Funds raised were donated to the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit during a small ceremony which was held at the District Administration Limassol Office at the finishing point of the tour.



6) Award to Student of the School of the Cyprus University of Technology's Environmental Science and Technology Department (photo. 6)

As part of Remedica's commitment to social contribution and its efforts to promote health and education in Cyprus, Remedica recently awarded a prize to Mr Andreas Christou. Mr Christou, a graduate of the Department of Environmental Science and Technology of the Cyprus University of Technology received the highest grade of his class for the academic year 2018-2019. The award ceremony of the Faculty of Geotechnical Sciences and Environmental Management took place at the Limassol Municipal University Library and the award was given by Mrs Ioanna Panayiotou, Environment Commissioner of Cyprus. Remedica's Human Resources Manager, Mr Antros Yiasemi, was also present at the award ceremony representing the company.



7) Charity Concert Featuring George Dalaras (photo. 7)

Remedica once again showed its philanthropic spirit by financially supporting the Association of Friends of the Center for Preventive Pediatrics for the organisation of a series of concerts performed by the well-known singers George Dalaras, Christos Thivaos and Miltiades Paschalides. The concerts took place on the 11th of September at the Presidential Palace in Nicosia, on the 12th of September at the "Marios Tokas" Municipal Garden Theatre in Limassol and on the 14th of September at the Pattichion Municipal Amphitheatre in Larnaca. The concerts constituted a tribute to the memory of the great poet, lyricist and prose writer Manos Eleftherios.



8) Participation in the OPAP Limassol 3on3 Basketball Challenger 2019 (photo. 8)

We are pleased to announce that Remedica participated in the OPAP Limassol 3on3 Basketball Challenger 2019, which was a part of the OPAP Limassol 3on3 2019 Basketball Tournament and which took place at the Molos Park, Limassol. Remedica's Basketball team was composed by Marios Angelides Senior Development Scientist, Michalis Vrachimis, Head of the Engineering and Works Department, Pavlos Zivanas Junior Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) Auditor, Pantelis Vafeas, GMP Auditor and Demetris Koumis, Packing Engineer. The tournament, was a great success bringing together a diversity of players for a thoroughly enjoyable day.



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Remedica News.

1) Remedica, the National Winner in the European Business Awards 2018-19 (photo. 1)

We are proud to inform you that Remedica has been named 'National Winner' for a second consecutive year in the 2018-19 European Business Awards, Europe's largest business competition. Remedica was chosen from thousands of businesses and was previously identified as 'Ones to Watch' in a list of business excellence published in July. The company was selected as a National Winner by a panel of independent judges that were made up of senior business leaders, politicians and academics as the best business in Cyprus in the Awards' category "Germany Trade & Invest Award for International Expansion". Remedica will now go on to represent Cyprus in the final stage of the competition. Dr Michael Neoptolemos, Group CEO of Remedica said: "We're very proud to have been named 'National Winner' in the 2018-19 European Business Awards, which are widely recognised as the showcase for Europe's most powerful companies". More information is available on: <https://www.businessawardseurope.com>



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2) Funding of Buses for the Transfer of Employees of Other Cities to and from Remedica (photo. 2)

As part of Remedica's ongoing initiative to facilitate transportation for employees from other cities, the company has funded buses to transport them to and from its premises. Dr Michael Neoptolemos, the Group CEO, took the bus to Nicosia with other members of the company, seizing the opportunity to meet and discuss with them. He was pleased with the result of this initiative and urged all employees of the company to use public transport.



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3) 20th World Congress of Overseas Cypriots (photo. 3)

Remedica was the main sponsor for the 20th World Congress of Overseas Cypriots held between the 27th and the 30th August 2019 in Nicosia. The conference programme was very interesting focusing on topics such as hydrocarbons/energy policies, information on missing persons, research investment and innovation issues.



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4) 59 Years in 8 Minutes: Remedica's Latest Corporate Video is Now Online! (photo. 4)

Remedica has taken significant steps to properly and effectively communicate the company's image by launching a new corporate video. The new video was shot with the most advanced filming technologies, including the use of a drone which took off from above to shoot footage of its facilities in Limassol, Cyprus. Remedica chose to film directly in its manufacturing area, with cameras capturing its machines during their complex and impressive production processes. The video is very concise, has great visual impact and delivers the company's vision in an open and transparent way: a company made of people who are committed to the development, production and sale of high-quality, safe and efficacious pharmaceutical products with the utmost attention to quality. Remedica is a "large family", and this video shows what it means to work in such an environment – to always ensure its customers the best quality for their needs. You can check out the video either on Remedica's home page or by clicking on this link: <https://youtu.be/oFwQNAiIsnk>



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5) Remedica Carried out its Traditional Blessing Ceremony (photo. 5)

Remedica held its traditional Blessing Ceremony on the 15th of July 2019 at its premises. The ceremony was held by the Archimandrite of the Limassol Metropolis, Chrysostomos and was attended by the Group CEO, Dr Michael Neoptolemos, managers and members of the company's staff. After the ceremony, the Archimandrite of the Limassol Metropolis blessed all those who were present and wished them every success in the work they carry out.



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Health Matters.

Health Risks of Climate change



Climate change is not only harmful to the planet, but it is also detrimental to people's health. Impact can vary by age, gender, location, and socioeconomic position - and so can treatment. A recent international study in the Lancet indicates more individuals will be exposed to extreme weather conditions over the following century, describing it as "a harmful risk to human health" that might undo 50 years of global health advances.

The main health risks that come from climate change are the following:

- Crop declines could lead to under-nutrition, hunger, higher food prices and more CO₂ in the air could make crops like barley and soy less nutritious. As the climate becomes less stable, the world faces more food safety challenges. As climate-related disasters become more frequent and more extreme, we will witness more droughts, ruined crops and the destruction of physical infrastructure. Meanwhile, climate change has started to alter crop yields and lessen the benefits of some plants.
- Alterations in the climate have implications on occupational wellbeing and safety. Occupational hazards such as the risk of heatstroke will rise, especially among farmers and construction workers. Labour could shift to dawn and dusk, times when more disease-carrying insects are out. Higher temperatures and humidity carry risks that may lead to death or prolonged illness from the after-effects of heatstroke.
- Hotter days, more rain and higher humidity will produce more ticks, resulting in the spread of infectious diseases such as Lyme disease.
- Severe and ongoing droughts may have substantial economic, environmental, agricultural, health, and cultural consequences. Trauma from floods, droughts, and heatwave can lead to mental health issues like anxiety, depression, and suicide.
- More heat can mean longer allergy seasons and more respiratory diseases. Increased rainfall will lead to the increase in moulds, fungi and indoor air pollutants.
- Mosquito-borne dengue fever has increased 30-fold in the past 50 years. Three-quarters of those exposed so far live in the Asia-Pacific region.
- Senior citizens and deprived children, especially those already afflicted with malaria, malnutrition, and diarrhoea, tend to be most vulnerable to heat-related illnesses. Hyperthermia is the common name given to heat-related diseases. The two most common types of hyperthermia are heat exhaustion and heatstroke.

• Drought and chronic water shortages will affect rural areas along with 150 million inhabitants. If local authorities do not act rapidly, that number could be nearly a billion by 2050.

• Rising sea levels threaten freshwater supplies for populations living in low-lying areas. More severe storms will cause city sewage systems to overflow.

• Power outages in extreme weather could cripple hospitals and transportation systems when they are needed the most.

However, solutions are in the works. In flood-prone Benin, the national health insurance has been extended to include diseases which will most probably increase as the world warms and sea levels rise. In the Philippines, programmes are in place to support the low-income population, tackle weather-related risks with loans, implement hygiene education, and oversee waste and water control. In the meantime, public health experts around the world are opting for the adoption of new measures to support people to stay healthy in spite of floods, droughts, and heatwave.

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Remedica People.

Mr Panagiotis Moullotos, Head of Customer Orders Execution

Mr Panagiotis Moullotos completed his Bachelor's degree in Mechanical and Manufacturing Engineering with a focus in Biomedical Engineering at the Faculty of Engineering at the University of Cyprus. He continued his postgraduate studies by completing a Master's degree in Engineering in Energy Technologies and Sustainable Design. Upon graduation, he gained valuable professional experience by working in the banking and academic sector. In 2015, he received an academic scholarship by Remedica for a Master's degree in Management at the Department of Management Science and Innovation at University College London (UCL) for the academic year 2015-2016. After his graduation, he joined the Remedica family in 2016, as Junior Data Analyst. Currently, he holds the position of Head of Customer Orders Execution since May 2019. Over the past few years, he attended various seminars both in Cyprus and overseas as part of his continuous development, with the constant aim to obtain additional skills and further enhance his knowledge. Mr Moullotos is a member of the Technical Chamber of Cyprus (TCC) and a Qualified Expert on Issuing Energy Performance Certificates for Residential Buildings. We wish him all the best and hope that he will continue with the same professionalism, persistence and passion towards the realisation of his professional and personal goals.



Our Products.

Amoxapen®

250mg Dispersible Tablets (Amoxicillin)



Recently, the medicinal product Amoxapen® 250mg Dispersible Tablets has received its first regulatory approval. Amoxapen® contains the active substance Amoxicillin and it is indicated for the treatment of infections caused by bacteria in different parts of the body (including stomach ulcers in combination with other medicines).

Amoxapen® is available containing 250mg of the active substance in each dispersible tablet.



Meet our Summer Interns!

The Remedica Summer Internship Programme is designed to enable students to gain hands-on work experience in an area related to their academic field of study or interest, while experiencing the unique environment and culture here at Remedica.

Mikaella Loizou, Nikolas Barbaris, and Maria Konstantinou were selected as interns at the Quality Control Department and Spyroulla Antoniou completed her internship at the Registration Department.

The internship for the R&D Formulation Department was offered to Andreas Spyropoulos, for the Microbiology Department to Christina Spyrou and Kyriaki Smyrilli, for the Pharmacovigilance Department to Marianna Zaimi, and for the IT Department to Konstantinos Panteli.

A Glimpse of Cyprus: Kourion

Kourion, the grounds on which the ancient city was built, is situated on a dominant location on a shore 4 kilometres southwest of the town of Episkopi within the Limassol district. The first proof of a colony within the wider region of Kourion dates back to the Neolithic era (5500-3900 B.C.), while the ancient remains in the general vicinity of the ancient town are related to settlements and burial chambers of the Middle and Late Bronze Age. Consistent with tradition, Kourion was established by Argives within the 12th century B.C. This myth is also associated with the fall of the Mycenaean world and the subsequent influx of Aegean populations to the East.

Frequent excavations were carried out in 1933 by the University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, and after an interruption during the war years, resumed in 1954. Between 1974 and 1979, the American Mission of the Byzantine Studies Programme of the Dumbarton Oaks Research Library and Collection completed excavations within the Early Christian Basilica of Kourion.

Between 1975 until 1998, the Department of Antiquities of the Cyprus Ministry of Transport, Communications and Works excavated the Agora, the House of Gladiators, the little Basilica next to the Stadium and the Coastal Basilica. Additionally, the Department of Antiquities emphasises management, conservation and spreading information about the archaeological location of Kourion, through the establishment of substantial ways intending to safeguard its sustainability and progress. The most significant monuments at the location are:

The Agora

The Roman Agora in its current condition is a construction dating back to the first half of the 3rd century A.D. with added elements from the early Christian era. It was constructed on the remains of another

community building that was used from the end of the 4th century until the end of the Hellenic era.

The House of Achilles

Only a part of the building that is found on the north-western side of Kourion close to the old Limassol-Paphos road is conserved at the moment. It is a Roman house dating back to the first half of the 4th century A.D. with a court in the centre. Many of the rooms are embellished with mosaic floors. The most remarkable among the floors portrays the well-known tale of the unveiling of Achilles' true identity by Ulysses within the court of the king Lycomedes at Skyros. The excavators indicate that this was a reception centre for noble guests.

The Mosaic from the Gladiators' House

This Roman house, that dates to the last half of the 3rd century A.D., is located several metres to the east of the House of Achilles. It contains a courtyard in the centre with passageways leading to chambers on all 4 sides. Surrounded by the mosaics that adorn the east and south wings of the courtyard, the most significant are those within the east section portraying a Gladiator battle scene that is not very frequent in Cyprus.

The Theatre

The theatre was initially constructed in the 2nd century B.C. However, the components that have been conserved to date are from the Roman era with elements and repairs added in 2nd and 3rd century A.D. Within the curved amphitheatre, the viewers' seats accommodate about 3500 individuals. The stage conserves its foundations, however, it was formerly the height of the amphitheatre. Currently the theatre is employed for cultural events.

The Small Basilica

The three-aisled small basilica of Kourion, which dates to the 5th century A.D., is situated next to the stadium. The basilica had a narthex and an atrium with four porticos in the west. In the middle of the atrium there was a reservoir that was destroyed and replaced by a medieval limestone kiln. Adjoining the basilica to the north was a corridor and a chapel.

The Sanctuary of Apollo Hylates

The sanctuary is found around 2.5 kilometres west of the ancient city of Kourion on the road to Paphos. It was one amongst the key religious centres of ancient Cyprus, where Apollo was worshipped as the god of the woods. It appears that the worship of Apollo in this area began as soon as the 8th century B.C. and lasted until the 4th century A.D. The area went through several expansions and modifications through the eras. The greater part of the monuments is seen as a part of the site's 1st century A.D. restorations. The sanctuary is encompassed by a wall that holds the Kourion and the Paphos Gates, through which one may enter the location. Initially the location included: a temple, remnants of which continue to exist on the grounds of the current temple, a spherical monument that was in all probability destined for parades or dances around a group of holy trees, and a formal Archaic Altar.

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