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## New Archaeology & Archaeometry Program at University of Cyprus

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A very important research program budgeted at 4.6 million euros for Archaeology and Archaeometry, with the code name "NARNIA" will be the largest funded program ever approved to Cyprus by the European Union. The program is planned to jump start on December 1<sup>st</sup> by the

Archaeological Research Unit (CIA) of the University of Cyprus.

The goal of this project is to train young researchers in the study of ancient materials through a combination of traditional archaeological methods and modern analytical techniques of physical and chemical analysis or laboratory study. The program will last 4 years and will be coordinated by Basilikh Kassianidou who is an Associate Professor of the Department of History and Archaeology at the University of Cyprus. Working along with her on the project will be Professor Demetrios Michaelides, Director and Professor George Papasavvas; both are Associates of the Archaeology Research Unit.

The idea for the program came from Maria Dikomitou who is a graduate of the Department of History and Archaeology at the University of Cyprus and a PhD candidate at the University of London.

For the implementation of the project, twenty new jobs will be created specifically for young researchers. Cyprus will be at the forefront of research developments around the world in the field of Archaeology and Archaeological Sciences. Through the program 16 three-year fellowships for young scientists to carry out doctoral research on topics related to ancient materials and ancient technology will be provided. Additionally 3 year grants for conducting post doctoral research will be allotted.



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