

*The Cyprus Fiduciary Association proudly presents:*

## **Seminar 1:**

### ***Cross-Border Mergers & Re-Domiciliation: A Practical Guide for Legal Professionals and Corporate Administrators***

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2025 | 09:00 - 12:30 | Live-Online, Zoom

## **Featured Speakers**



***Georgia Onoufriou***  
COO  
*European Legal Training Centre*



***Andria Papageorgiou***  
Founder and Managing Director  
*Andria Papageorgiou Law Firm*

*The seminar will be conducted in the English Language.  
Participants will receive a Certificate of Attendance for  
up to 3 CPD Unit Hours.*

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### Seminar Aims and Objectives

In collaboration with the European Legal Training Center (ELTC), the Cyprus Fiduciary Association is organizing an independent live online seminar titled: ***“Cross-Border Mergers & Re-Domiciliation: A Practical Guide for Legal Professionals and Corporate Administrators.”***

#### Aims and Objectives:

This interactive seminar provides a comprehensive understanding of the legal and procedural frameworks governing **cross-border mergers** and **re-domiciliation** in Cyprus. It is designed for legal professionals, corporate administrators, and fiduciary service providers who deal with corporate restructuring, international business mobility, and regulatory compliance.

Participants will gain practical insights into the **Cross-Border Mergers Framework**, including the impact of the **Mobility Directive**, as well as the **re-domiciliation** process for companies moving their headquarters **into and out of Cyprus**.

By the end of this seminar, participants will:

1. Understand the legal and regulatory framework governing cross-border mergers and re-domiciliation.
2. Gain insights into strategic advantages and challenges of corporate mobility.
3. Learn the step-by-step processes for executing both cross-border mergers and re-domiciliation transactions.
4. Identify common pitfalls and best practices in handling cross-border corporate transactions.
5. Be equipped to advise clients of corporate mobility.

### Programme Agenda

08:30 – 09:00	Registration
09:00 – 10:30	<b>Part 1: Cross-Border Mergers &amp; the Mobility Directive (1.5 hours)</b>  1. <b>Introduction to Cross-Border Mergers</b>  1. Definition and purpose 2. Advantages and strategic benefits

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	<p><b>2. Legal Framework &amp; The Mobility Directive</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Overview of the EU Directive on Cross-Border Mergers &amp; Mobility</li> <li>2. Implementation in Cyprus &amp; key procedural requirements</li> <li>3. Changes introduced by the Mobility Directive</li> </ol> <p><b>3. Step-by-Step Guide to Cross-Border Mergers in Cyprus</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Pre-merger steps: feasibility, legal due diligence, and decision-making</li> <li>2. Merger plan requirements</li> <li>3. Corporate governance considerations</li> </ol> <p><b>4. Regulatory &amp; Compliance Requirements</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Notarization and submission requirements</li> <li>2. Role of the Registrar of Companies in Cyprus</li> </ol> <p><b>5. Practical Drafting &amp; Case Studies</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Case study on successful cross-border mergers</li> </ol>
10:30 – 10:45	Break
10:45 – 12:15	<p><b>Part 2: Re-Domiciliation of Companies (1.5 hours)</b></p> <p><b>1. Understanding Re-Domiciliation</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Definition and strategic benefits</li> <li>2. Reasons for transferring a company's domicile</li> <li>3. Key differences between inward and outward re-domiciliation</li> </ol> <p><b>2. Legal Framework in Cyprus</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The statute</li> <li>2. Jurisdictions that allow re-domiciliation</li> <li>3. Regulatory requirements and necessary approvals</li> </ol>

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	<p><b>3. Step-by-Step Guide to Re-Domiciliation</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Pre-application considerations: company eligibility and compliance</li> <li>2. Required documents and approval process</li> <li>3. Timeframes and regulatory bodies involved</li> </ol> <p><b>4. Drafting Skills &amp; Precedents</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Key documents: special resolutions, board approvals, announcements</li> <li>2. Public notices and compliance steps</li> </ol> <p><b>5. Case Studies &amp; Practical Insights</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Analysis of real-world re-domiciliation cases</li> <li>2. Handling complex re-domiciliation scenarios</li> </ol>
12:15– 12:30	Discussion / Q & A

The seminar is addressed primarily to Directors, both executive and non-executive of companies in Cyprus, legal professionals and corporate secretaries/Administrators, and all interested professionals that need to gain a robust foundation in understanding the complex legal landscape governing corporate roles, enhancing their competence and confidence in navigating these responsibilities.

**\*THE MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS FOR THE SESSION IS 50 PERSONS.  
REGISTRATIONS WILL BE HANDLED ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS.**

For registrations please visit [our website](#) or complete and sign the registration form attached and submit it to the Cyprus Fiduciary Association e-mail address [info@cyfa.org.cy](mailto:info@cyfa.org.cy).

Deadline for Registration: **Wednesday, the 26<sup>th</sup> of February 2025**

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## Speakers' Bios

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### ANDRIA PAPAGEORGIOU



ANDRIA PAPAGEORGIOU LAW FIRM

#### QUALIFICATIONS

LLB, LLM, PLC

#### BIOGRAPHY

Andria Papageorgiou is the Founder and Managing Director of ANDRIA PAPAGEORGIOU LAW FIRM.

Mrs. Andria Papageorgiou is a holder of an LLB, LLM, LPC (all from UK universities and professional institutions), CySEC Advance Certificate and CySEC AML Certificate. She is also an Accredited Mediator for Commercial and Banking Disputes. Recently, she was also elected as a member of the Financial Services Committee of the Cyprus Bar Association. A decade prior to founding Andria Papageorgiou Law Firm, she was holding a key position as Senior Associate Lawyer in top tier law firms serving high net worth individuals and corporations, as well as holding key managerial positions reaching the highest position of Chief of Legal and Compliance Department in various Fintech Group of Companies (i.e. forex, crypto and payments industries), leading the legal teams of the relevant Groups, resolving complex legal issues on a daily basis.

She is a member of Cyprus Bar Association with more than 10 years of experience. Her main areas of practice are Regulatory Compliance (i.e. AML, MiFID, MiCA, etc.), Licensing (in CY, EU and offshore countries), Mergers and Acquisitions, Property Law (i.e. Real Estate), Data Protection Law, Business Law, Company and Commercial Law, Corporate Law (i.e. incorporation of a company), Employment Law, Intellectual Property Law, Family Office Services, and Banking Law.

**GEORGIA ONOUFRIOU**



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**BIOGRAPHY**

Mrs. Georgia Onoufriou is a qualified lawyer in the Republic of Cyprus and holds an MSc in European Policy Law and Management from The Robert Gordon's University of Scotland, an LLB from the University of London and a degree in Political Science and Public Administration from Ethnikon Kapodistriako University in Athens. From 2005-2021, she worked for the Group of Companies Pagecorp, provider of global company, administrative, secretarial and other services which is connected to the law firm Patrikios Pavlou and Associates LLC. Since working at this firm, Georgia steadily worked her way through the company ranks and held the title of Head of Corporate Department and Data Protection Officer. She was tasked with the supervision of all Senior Administrators and managing client portfolios within the department. In addition to this challenging role, Georgia was further tasked with the corporate administration of companies, the drafting and execution of commercial contracts and creation of trust structures. Retention of clients, lead generation and drafting of legal opinions also make up an important part of her role.

Georgia held memberships in the International Business Committee of the Cyprus Fiduciary Association (CFA) and the Legal and Corporate Affairs Committee of the CFA. Georgia has consistently kept up to date and participated in a plethora of vocational professional seminars in relation to contract drafting, trusts law, company law and international tax law. Georgia is an avid legal researcher and regularly publishes articles in prominent legal think tank platforms in Cyprus. She has also provided her assistance and guidance in the political sphere where she has taken an active role in policy drafting and research. Furthermore, Georgia is also a member of various legal research groups where she lends her expert legal research skills and experience in policy drafting. Georgia played a vital role in the creation and promotion of the respected legal

think tank and NGO 'Kratos Dikaiou' which aims to promote the Rule of Law and promote democratic ideals on the island. In addition, Georgia, has contributed over the past year to a legal vlog with Mr. Evangelos Pourgourides, which invites prominent figures from the legal and political sphere to debate legal and political issues of vital importance in Cyprus.

As of May 2021, Mrs. Onoufriou is COO at the European Legal Training Centre where she utilizes her wealth of practical and professional legal, corporate and compliance experience. In fact, Georgia currently coaches trainee advocates undertaking the Cyprus Bar Exams in various subjects. Georgia is also actively engaged in creating new professional training courses in the legal sphere and is passionate about education and sharing her wealth of experience and knowledge in all areas of the law. Georgia consistently fosters long lasting relationships with her students, ensuring their success and a friendly class environment. ELTRC is both excited and honoured to have someone of Georgia's calibre on the board.