

The Cyprus Fiduciary Association proudly presents:

Seminar 8: Trustee Liability and Risk Management

Tuesday 16th September 2025 | 09:00 - 12:30 | Live-Online, Zoom

Featured Speaker



Androulla Poutziouris European Legal Training Center (ELTC)

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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

The Cyprus Fiduciary Association proudly presents a live, independent webinar featuring Ms. Androulla Poutziouris, titled: **"Trustee Liability and Risk Management."**

This **three-hour** online course offers an in-depth analysis of trustee obligations, breach of trust scenarios, exemption and indemnity clauses, and best practices for managing legal and financial risk in the administration of trusts under Cyprus law. Through real case law, practical scenarios, and strategic drafting guidance, participants will understand how to navigate personal liability, preserve indemnity rights, and construct robust trust instruments that anticipate risk.

Aims and Objectives:

By the end of this course, participants will be able to:

- Identify the legal principles that determine when a trustee is in breach of trust under Cyprus law
- Distinguish between personal and proprietary liability in trust administration
- Analyse the remedies available to beneficiaries and explain how equitable compensation, falsification, and surcharge operate in practice
- Evaluate the legal validity and enforceability of trustee exemption clauses in light of case law and public policy
- Explain the scope of a trustee's right to indemnity and the operation of equitable liens
- Assess practical challenges arising when trust assets are insufficient, and outline the limits of indemnity in cases of breach or misconduct
- Interpret the legal risks trustees face when contracting with third parties and determine how indemnity provisions can mitigate those risks
- Propose appropriate indemnity protections for retiring trustees and evaluate the implications for successor trustees
- Recommend best practices for managing trust distributions in the presence of unresolved or contingent liabilities



Assessment Methodology:

For participants:

- Interactive lecture with PPP presentation
- Case Studies / Analysis / Discussion
- Practical scenarios insights to apply concepts
- Q & A Session for in-depth understanding

For Seminar Assessment:

Evaluation form that includes scale rating (1-5) on:

- Seminar Objectives & Learning Outcomes
- Seminar Content
- Seminar Teaching Methods
- Speaker Rating
- Provision for general comments

Programme Agenda

08:30 – 09:00	Registration
09:00 – 10:30	Module 1: Understanding Breach of Trust and Trustee Liability What constitutes a breach of trust under Cyprus law
	 Personal vs proprietary liability: What is the trustee exposed to? Remedies for beneficiaries
	Module 2: Exemption and Indemnity Clauses • Trustee exemption clauses



	Indemnification rights of trustees
	Practical challenges
	2.5. Q&A session
10:30 – 10:45	Break
10:45 – 12:15	Module 3: Risk Management and Trustee Resilience in Practice
	Indemnity in trustee contracts and dealings with third parties
	Protecting retiring trustees and onboarding new ones
	Managing trust distributions and residual liabilities
12:15-12:30	Q&A Session / Discussion

The webinar is primarily intended for trustees, legal advisors, in-house counsel, compliance and risk officers, as well as other professionals working in Fiduciary Services. It is ideal for those seeking to deepen their understanding of fiduciary duties, regulatory compliance, and best practices in trust and estate administration.

*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.

*Certificates of Attendance will only be issued to participants who have attended the entire webinar and remained logged into the platform for its full duration.

Deadline for Registration: Friday the 12th of September 2025

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Speaker Bio

Androulla Poutziouris
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Director and Founder of European Legal Training Center
Member of the HRDA Registry of Distinguished Experts for law.

Androulla Poutziouris is a highly experienced legal professional and educator with extensive expertise in Cypriot law and UK law and practice. She has a robust academic background, having taught a wide array of law modules at university level and for numerous prestigious UK educational providers, such as the University of London, The Chartered Institute of Legal Executives, and the National Association of Licensed Paralegals. For the University of London LLB degree, she has taught various modules including Equity and Trusts Law, Public Law, Contract Law, and Company Law. She has also taught at private universities in Cyprus.

With over 15 years of teaching and training experience, Androulla has developed and delivered numerous legal training programs for lawyers that have been accredited by the Human Resource and Development Agency of Cyprus and the Cyprus Bar Association. In addition, she has developed and designed courses for various international education providers, most notably, for bar associations outside of Cyprus. Her comprehensive knowledge and practical experience in trust law make her an ideal instructor for this course on the legal fundamentals of trusts.

Androulla's teaching methodology is interactive and case-study driven, ensuring that participants not only understand theoretical concepts but also learn to apply them in real-world scenarios. Her courses are known for their clarity, relevance, and practical focus, making complex legal topics accessible and engaging for all participants.

Through her guidance, course participants will gain a deep understanding of trust law, equipping them with the knowledge and skills needed to navigate the legal intricacies of trusts confidently.