

May 2017 Announcement

The Law School of UCLan Cyprus is pleased to announce the establishment of the *Interdisciplinary Centre for Law, Alternative and Innovative Methods ('ICLAIM')*, created in February 2017.

ICLAIM is **an interdisciplinary Center**, which closely works with UCLan Cyprus on law in the real world, socio-legal issues and disputes arising in a transnational and interdisciplinary context, at all levels of the legal order and multi-level governance (international, European and national), **utilizing alternative and innovative methods**.

In particular, ICLAIM is concerned with:

- the creation, application, implementation and enforcement of law; and with
- settlement, mediation, negotiation, arbitration, resolution and other forms of dispute resolution.

Through, inter alia, the marketization of outputs and the securing of external funding to conduct its activities in Cyprus and beyond, ICLAIM is a vehicle for **responsible research**, **innovation and enterprise** in the aforementioned fields through:

- · educational training;
- · vocational training;
- engagement with the legal profession, the industry and the public; and
- social entrepreneurship and service to the community.

Initial activities of ICLAIM will include a scholarly applied focus **on challenges for global citizens, businesses and their states in an effort to secure real public benefit** through:

- the setting-up of pilot clinic and/or service bureau schemes;
- the delivery of professional or short courses;
- the creation of related research outputs, tools and deliverables;
- collaboration, education and knowledge outreach/service to the community;
- mentoring and consulting involving students, professionals, the industry, special interest groups as well as the wider community.

ICLAIM resident members are credited with **local**, **regional and global initiatives** focusing on very diverse fields of the law in the real world, through alternative and innovative methods. They work very closely with internationally respected and distinguished researchers and academics as well as **key industry partners** and professionals, including in the public sector, in Cyprus, Europe and the wider region.

The Founding Members/Directors of ICLAIM are Dr. Stéphanie Laulhé Shaelou, Associate Professor and Acting Head, School of Law, UCLan Cyprus and Dr. Lida Pitsillidou, Lecturer, School of Law, UCLan Cyprus. The company secretary is Dr. Nevi Agapiou, Lecturer, School of Law, UCLan Cyprus. For further information about ICLAIM, please do not hesitate to contact us at 24694008 and iclaimcyprus@gmail.com.





On 5th-7th July 2017, **ICLAIM's inaugural professional course** entitled **'Mediation – a tool for resolving conflict'** will take place at the premises of UCLan Cyprus. This course is designed for:

- Lawyers
- Academics
- · Civil society organisations
- NGOs
- · Community workers
- Police officers
- Social workers
- Probation officers
- School teachers
- Good relations officers
- Project officers
- · Facilitators who work in group settings.

The course is designed to help participants understand:

- the role of mediation in **helping individuals and organisations resolve disputes and conflicts at an early stage**, thus avoiding long and expensive legal battles,
- how mediation can assist in managing different situations,
- the **concept of mediation** and how **to utilise the skills of a mediator** in a conflict or a crisis situation.

For more information, please refer to the attached booklet/poster. **For registration**, please contact us at 24694008 and iclaimcyprus@gmail.com (limited places).

