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Regulated Professions Representative Form

Section 1: Regulated Profession Details

Regulated Profession: Computer Science

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Section 2: Observations Regarding Legislation

Please provide specific observations related to the legislation governing this profession:

The profession of Computer Science in Cyprus is regulated by the Scientific and Technical Chamber of Cyprus (ETEK), in accordance with **Law 224/1990**.

The criteria and framework for the recognition or non-recognition of university degrees, diplomas, or equivalent qualifications in engineering and computing disciplines are outlined by ETEK in the following official documents:

- Criteria and Framework for Recognition:
  https://www.etek.org.cy/el/kritiria-anagnorisis-5
- Registration Guide for Computer Science:
  https://www.etek.org.cy/el/odigos-eggrafis-ETEK-pliroforiki

The Bachelor of Science (BSc) in Computer Science program offered by European University Cyprus (EUC) satisfies the academic criteria for professional registration with ETEK. Based on the documentation reviewed and discussions during the site visit, the curriculum exceeds the minimum number of core Computer Science courses required, covers a broad and appropriate range of subject areas, and meets the minimum required duration of four years of full-time study, as defined in ETEK's recognition guide.

Accordingly, graduates of the EUC BSc in Computer Science program are eligible to apply for registration with ETEK, subject to compliance with the standard application procedures and submission of the necessary documentation.

With regard to postgraduate qualifications (e.g., MSc or PhD in Computer Science), eligibility for registration is evaluated based on the applicant's complete academic background. While such degrees may complement the academic profile, they cannot substitute for a recognized bachelor-level qualification (EQF Level 6), as stipulated under Article 7(1)(a) of Law 224/1990.

Section 3: Additional Comments

Any further comments:

The BSc in Computer Science program at European University Cyprus (EUC) demonstrates a solid academic profile, with positive graduate employability outcomes and active engagement with external stakeholders.

During the site visit, it was noted that while the curriculum includes important subject areas such as cybersecurity, artificial intelligence, and data analysis, there appears to be room for further enhancement in terms of practical application and additional course options related to emerging technologies. Expanding hands-on learning opportunities and updating certain course components could make the program even more relevant and appealing, particularly at the postgraduate level.

In terms of infrastructure, the department maintains well-equipped laboratory facilities. It is suggested that continued attention be given to clearly posted lab usage guidelines and safety information — such as evacuation plans, emergency contact information, and first aid signage — and to regular reviews that support a safe and effective learning environment.

Overall, the department demonstrates a strong commitment to quality and continuous improvement. Ongoing investment in curriculum enhancement, applied learning opportunities, and infrastructure will contribute to the program's long-term sustainability and continued alignment with labor market expectations.

Further insights into the academic structure, teaching processes, quality assurance mechanisms, and departmental operations are provided in the separate External Evaluation Committee reports for the department and associated study programs.

Representative's Signature:

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