
Research In Cyprus

RESEARCH IN CYPRUS

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Evolution of Research activities in Cyprus

Until early 90's:

- **Absence of a local University**
- **Most research activities undertaken by the public sector – lack of competition**
- **Expenditure on R&D: 0.18 % of GDP (1992)**

Low level of research activities

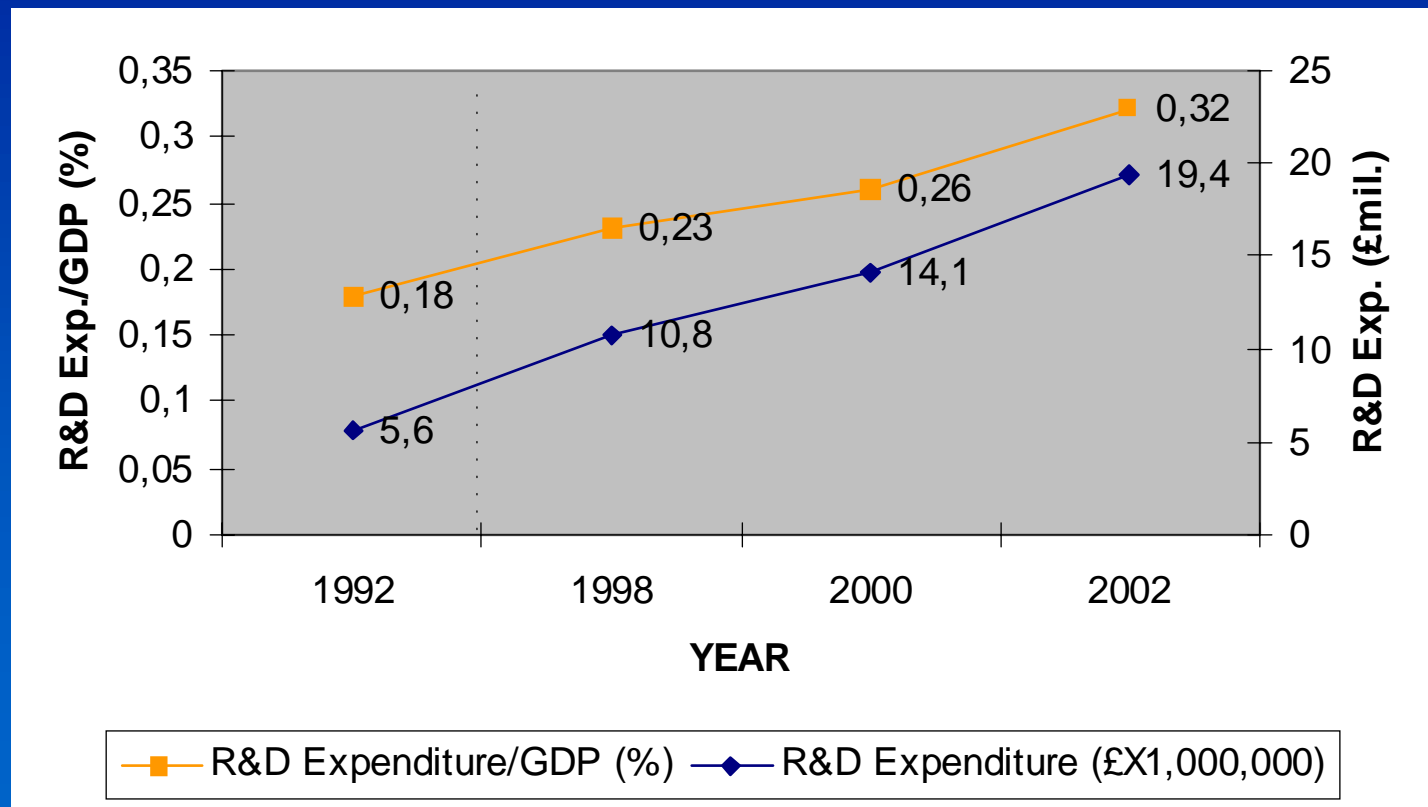
Evolution of Research activities in Cyprus

Steps towards the upgrading of R&D activities:

- **University of Cyprus**
- **Cyprus Institute of Neurology and Genetics**
- **Expansion of research activities of the Agricultural R. I.**
- **Creation of research institutions in the private sector**
- **Establishment of the Research Promotion Foundation**
- **Participation in FP5 and FP6 and other international Programs (COST, EUREKA, ESF, INTAS)**
- **Business Incubators**
- **Agreement with Harvard University**
- **Institute of Cyprus**

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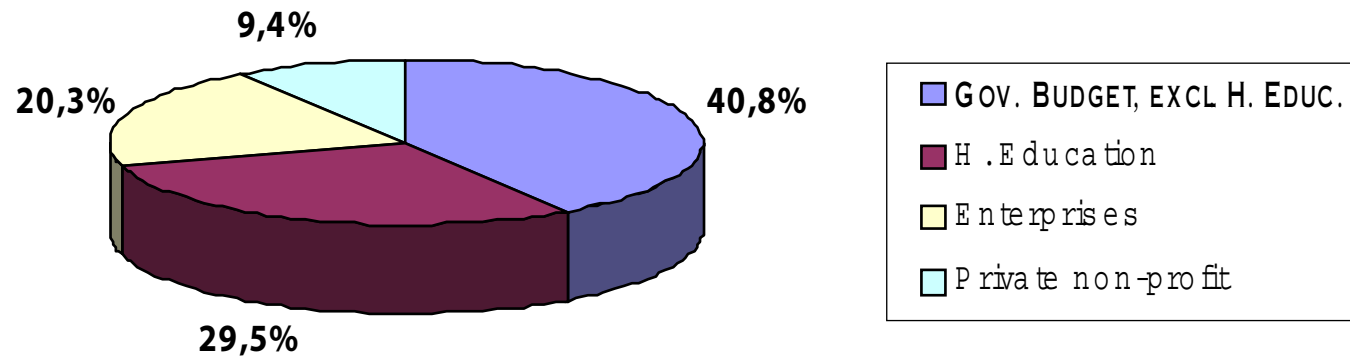
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R & D Expenditure in Cyprus

R & D Expenditure By Sector (%)





The Research Promotion Foundation

- *Core Objective: Financing and facilitating research*
- *Resources: Government budget through the Planning Bureau + competitive EU Programs*

Planning Bureau

- *International agreements*
- *Policy measures*



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Research Promotion Foundation:

Activities for the promotion of Research in Cyprus

Programs for financing of Research Projects

1998: 1 Programme, £270.000, 12 projects

2003: Framework Programme

3 Activity Areas, 11 Programs, 34 Actions

- "Multi-thematic Research Development",
- "Applied Research Development",
- "Infrastructure Development and Research Support"

£11.650.000, 250 projects and 150 support actions



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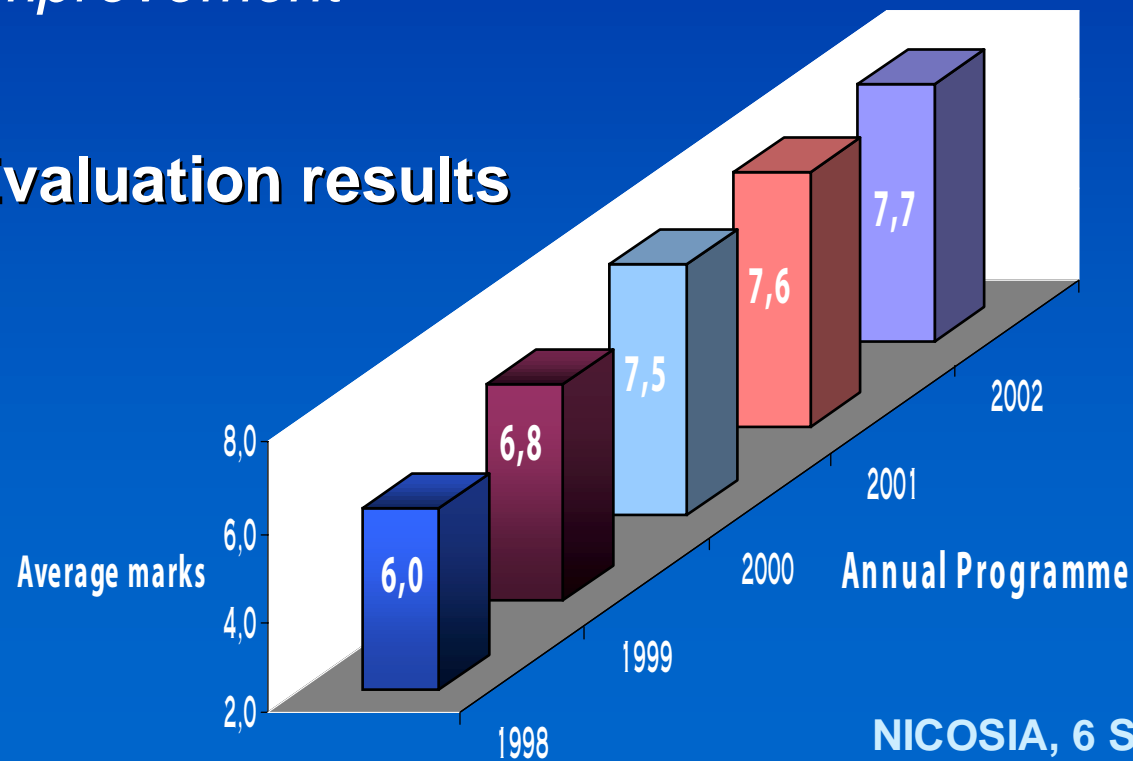
Research Promotion Foundation:

Activities for the promotion of Research in Cyprus

Programs for financing of Research Projects

Continuous improvement

Evaluation results





Research Promotion Foundation:

Activities for the promotion of Research in Cyprus

Utilisation of EU R&D Programs – International Cooperation

- **5th and 6th Framework Programmes of the EU**
- **COST Programme**
- **EUREKA Programme**
- **EUMEDIS Programme**
- **Programs launched by the ESF and the INTAS**
- **Bilateral Agreements in the field of research**



Research Promotion Foundation:

Activities for the promotion of Research in Cyprus

Strengthening of Research Infrastructure

- **Programs for strengthening of research infrastructure**
- **New Programme for access to international research infrastructures**
- **Programs aiming at involving young people in research**
- **Programs for the utilisation of Cypriot expatriate researchers**