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**ACCREDITATION CERTIFICATE no. L044-3**

The Board of Governors  
of the Cyprus Organization for the Promotion of Quality  
acting as the authorized Cyprus Accreditation Body  
according to the Article 7 of the Law 156(I)/2002

**grants accreditation to**

***Fingerprint Laboratory of the Criminalistic Services of the  
Cyprus Police***

in Nicosia

which has been assessed according to the Accreditation Criteria for  
Testing Laboratories as defined in the standard

***CYS EN ISO/IEC 17025:2017***

as **competent to perform the Methods** defined in the Scope of  
Accreditation referred to in the **Annex** of this certificate; the said Annex  
represents inextricable part of the certificate. The **Accreditation Scope**  
can only be modified after a decision of the Cyprus Accreditation  
Body.

The current Accreditation Certificate, no. **L044-3**, is **valid from 10<sup>th</sup> of  
December 2020 till the 9<sup>th</sup> of December 2024**.

Accreditation was granted for the first time on the 10<sup>th</sup> December 2012.

Antonis Ioannou  
Director CYS - CYSAB

Date: 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023

*This laboratory is accredited in accordance with the recognised International Standard ISO/IEC 17025:2017. This accreditation demonstrates technical competence for a defined scope and the operation of a laboratory quality management System (ISO-ILAC-IAF Communiqué, 04/2017).*



**Annex**  
**of the Accreditation Certificate number L044-3**

**Scope of Accreditation  
of the**

**Fingerprint Laboratory of the Criminalistic Services  
of the Cyprus Police**

**Valid as from 10<sup>th</sup> of December 2020**

**\*Valid till 19<sup>th</sup> of December 2022**

**From 7<sup>th</sup> of May 2021, Standard CYS EN ISO/ IEC 17025:2017 applies, in replacement of the 2005 edition.**

<b>Materials / Products</b>	<b>Type of testing / Countable properties</b>	<b>Methods / Techniques</b>
Fingerprints and palmprints	Comparison and identification using the Automated Fingerprint Identification System (AFIS)	Inhouse method based on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Practical fingerprint B.C. Bridges, 1942</li><li>- Friction ridge skin / comparison and identification of fingerprints, J.F. Cowger, 1993</li><li>- Fingerprints and other ridge skin impressions, C. Champod, C. Lennard, P. Margot, M. Stoilovic, 2004</li><li>- Quantitative – qualitative friction ridge analysis, D.R. Ashbaugh, 1999</li><li>- Elements of Fingerprinting (Limited use educational Aid), Ministry of Justice, Greece, Hellenic Police Forensic Science Division, Fingerprints Section, Athens, 1983</li><li>- A.F.I.S AutoClass and minutiae encoding guidelines Revision C, September 2004</li><li>- The fingerprint system at Scotland yard, F.R. Cherril, Edition 1954.</li></ul>

**Authorised persons to sign test reports are Chr. Triseliotis, N. Nikolaou, \*D. Argyrou, P. Petrou and S. Ioannou.**

**General Remarks**

This Annex refers **only for tests** carried out **in the premises of the Laboratory**, at the following address: **Police Headquarters of Cyprus, Nicosia.**

Antonis Ioannou  
Director CYS - CYSAB

Date: 7<sup>th</sup> May 2021