CYPRUS ORGANIZATION FOR THE PROMOTION OF QUALITY CYPRUS ACCREDITATION BODY



ACCREDITATION CERTIFICATE no. £076-3

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

Forensic Handwriting 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.

Cyprus Accreditation Body is a signatory to the European co-operation for Accreditation (EA) Multilateral Agreement (MLA) in the abovementioned field.

The current Accreditation Certificate, no. L076-3, is valid from 1st of July 2019 till the 30th of December 2023.

Accreditation was granted for the first time on the 1st July 2015.

Antónis loannou Director CYS - CYSAB

Date: 1st July 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).

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Annex

of the Accreditation Certificate number L076-3

Scope of Accreditation of the

Forensic Handwriting Laboratory of the Criminalistic Services of the Cyprus Police

Valid as from 1st of July 2019
*Valid as from 1st of July 2019 till the 2nd of June 2021

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

Materials / Products	Type of testing / Countable properties	Methods / Techniques
Script and signature	Forensic examination of disputed script and signature	Inhouse analytical comparison method based on: A) Ellen D. "The Scientific Examination of Documents – Methods and Techniques", Ellis Horwood, London, 1989. B) ENFSI-ENFHEX (European Network of Forensic Handwriting Experts), "Overview Procedure for Handwriting and Signature Comparisons", Draft No: 005, 11-5-2006. C) Roy A. Huber in collaboration with A.M.Headrick, "Handwriting Identification: Facts and Fundamentals", Edition 1999.

Authorised persons to sign test reports are G. Chrysanthou, A. Neophytou, S. Nikolaou, M. Pafiti and *El. Christodoulou.

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: 1st July 2023