

**United Nations Development Programme
Regional Bureau for Europe and the CIS
Project Document**

Project Title: BRINGING DOWN BARRIERS TO PEACE: OPENING OF NEW CROSSINGS IN CYPRUS – an umbrella project for future phases of the same initiative

UNDAF Outcome(s): N/A

Expected CP Outcome(s): N/A

Expected Output(s):

1. Designs are carried out for upgrade & improvement of the road section of Lefka/Lefke – Apliki/Aplic north of the Green Line to facilitate the opening of the crossing
2. Designs are carried out for upgrade & improvement the road section of Famagusta –Derineia/Derinya north of the Green Line to facilitate the opening of the crossing
3. Works for the upgrade & improvement of the road section of Lefka/Lefke – Apliki/Aplic north of the Green Line to facilitate the opening of the crossing
4. Works for the upgrade & improvement the road section of Famagusta – Derineia/Derinya north of the Green Line to facilitate the opening of the crossing
5. Cypriot population aware of information regarding the opening of the crossings and the overall confidence building process

Implementation Modality: DIM

Implementing Agency: UNDP

Brief Description

The negotiations under the auspices of the United Nations Secretary General Good Offices Missions to find a comprehensive settlement to the Cyprus problem has restarted in May 2015 after the change of the leadership in the Turkish Cypriot Community.

On 28 May 2015, the leaders, Messrs Anastasiades and Akinci agreed to open two crossings at Famagusta – Derineia/Derinya and Lefka/Lefke – Apliki/Aplic to facilitate movements across the buffer zone. These two crossing have been on the public agenda for some time. The two leaders also activated and tasked the Technical Committee on Crossings, to work and sort out details of the crossings.

On 14 October 2015, the Technical Committee on Crossings have agreed that the original/existing road sections can be upgrade and improved. On 9 November 2015 the Office of the Senior Advisor of UNFICYP formally requested to the EC, on behalf of the TCC, to provide the necessary funds for the section north of the Green Line.

The **Overall Objective** of the project is to support the reconciliation process and to increase the trust between the Greek Cypriot and Turkish Cypriot communities through the implementation of confidence building measures agreed by the Technical Committee on Crossings (TCC).

The **Specific Objective** of the project is the facilitation of the opening of the crossings by;

1. Designing for the upgrade & improvement of the road sections in the northern part of Cyprus;
2. Carrying out works for the upgrade & improvement of the road sections in the northern part of Cyprus;
3. Cypriot population aware of information regarding the opening of the crossings and the overall confidence building process.

Duration of the programme period will be 23 months for which 11 months will be used for the implementation activities and 12 months will be used for the defects liability period.

It is expected that the additional funding and phases of the project will be included in this umbrella project.

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| Programme Period: | 23 months |
| Key Result Area (Strategic Plan): | Conflict Prevention |
| Atlas Award ID: | 00095648 |
| Start date: | 1 December 2015 |
| End Date: | 31 October 2017 |
| PAC Meeting Date: | 19 February 2016 |
| Management Arrangements: | DIM |

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| Total resources required: 2,108k EUR for the current phase |
| Estimated amount for future phases: N/A |
| Total allocated resources: |
| • Other: |
| o EC: 2,108k EUR |
| Unfunded budget: Similar amount of resources are expected from EC for future phases of the project. |

Agreed by (UNDP):

