

Costas Christofides



Costas Christofides holds a bachelor's degree in Economics from the American University of Beirut and a master's degree in Management from the Management Institute of Maastricht.

Costas started his career at Cyprus Employers and Industrialists Federation (OEB) in April 1983 as an Industrial Relations Officer. During the first ten years of experience at OEB, he served the Federation as an Economic Officer, as well as an Industry Officer. Later on, in 1993,

Costas was promoted to the position of the Coordinator of Professional Associations of OEB. Three years later he took charge as Director of the Industrial Development Department, while subsequently taking on the management of the Services section, in the Department of Industry and Services. After he served the department for seven years he was assigned to the duties of Assistant Director General. In February 2016 he was appointed Deputy Director General.

Costas Christofides, during his career at OEB, has been involved in numerous conferences and seminars in Cyprus and abroad, both as a speaker and as an attendee. He represents OEB in various Committees and Councils, where issues such as the development of business and the economy, are being discussed. He is also involved in European Union Groups' of experts, which focus on Small and Medium Enterprises.

Some of the areas of responsibility and experience which were achieved by Costas, include among others: The economy, taxation, business development, energy, entrepreneurship, research and innovation, environment, extroversion of business, european and national programs / support schemes, foreign investment, bilateral relations with other committees of E.U. and southern Mediterranean, quality certification and accreditation.

In 2006, he established the annual competition for the "Cyprus Innovation Award - OEB ", which was recognized by the E.U. as "best practice".