

ZYPERN

Minister of Education and Culture Ouranios IOANNIDES

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22 December 1944 born in Nicosia,
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Education

After completing his secondary education at the Pancyprian Gymnasium, he studied Natural Science at the Aristotelian University of Thessaloniki. He then went on to obtain his pre-doctoral (M. Phil) degree in Education at the University of Wales.

Registered chemist and biologist.

1971-1994 he worked first as teacher and then Assistant Headmaster at secondary schools, the Pedagogical Academy and the Pedagogical Institute.

1995-1996 when he was elected member of the House of Representatives, he was Senior Education Officer at the Ministry of Education and Culture.

He was Vice-President and then President of the Cypriot students union of Thessaloniki EFEK, Vice-President of the Cypriot students organisation OEFEK and Vice-President and then President of the All-Student Congresses. He was President and now is Honorary President of the Cyprus Science Association. He was also Vice-President of the Cyprus Biology Society, Honorary Vice-President of the International Sports Law Union and member of the Board of the Cyprus Federation of Tertiary Education Officers (POLTE). He is also member of numerous scientific/professional and other organisations in Cyprus and abroad, including the Royal Society of Chemistry and the Institute of Biology of the U.K.

1988-1994 President of the Cyprus Sports Organisation (KOA).

26 May 1996 parliamentary elections, elected Democratic Rally (DISY) deputy for the Nicosia constituency. The DISY Parliamentary group elected him its Deputy Parliamentary Spokesman and the House Select Committee appointed him Deputy President of the Parliamentary Committee on Education and member of the Parliamentary Committee on the Refugees, Enclaved, Missing Persons and Afflicted Persons, the Committee on the Environment and the Committee on House Regulations and Members Rights.

8 June 1997 At the last Pancyprian Congress of DISY , he was elected First Vice-President of the Party.

5 Jan 1999 appointed to Minister of Education and Culture.