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CSI CYPRUS OVERVIEW

- R&D Center: Fostering positive change locally, nationally, regionally, and globally.
- 60 staff: Researchers, Trainers, Project Managers, IT Experts.
- Running 90 projects, completed 300 projects globally.
- Network of more than 5000 relevant organizations.

Our Core Expertise & Proposal Development & Project Implementation:

- Proposal development & coordination
- Research & scientific contributions
- Impact analysis
- Innovation management
- Education & capacity building
- Communication, dissemination & exploitation
- Sustainability & business planning
- Stakeholder engagement & knowledge transfer

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Our organization:

The Centre for Social Innovation (CSI) is an R&D institution specializing in Social Sciences and Humanities, Policy and Impact and Education and Capacity Building. We nurture social innovation and drive progressive changes across local, national, regional, and global contexts. Operating at the intersection of social interaction, education, development, and economic rationalization, we create resilient, sustainable solutions and adopt disruptive strategies to tackle entrenched societal challenges. Our interdisciplinary team, with backgrounds in the Humanities, Social Sciences, and Physical Sciences, provides a deep understanding of social needs. We design and implement tailored initiatives through evidence-based research, state-of-the-art investigative methods and thorough social impact analysis.

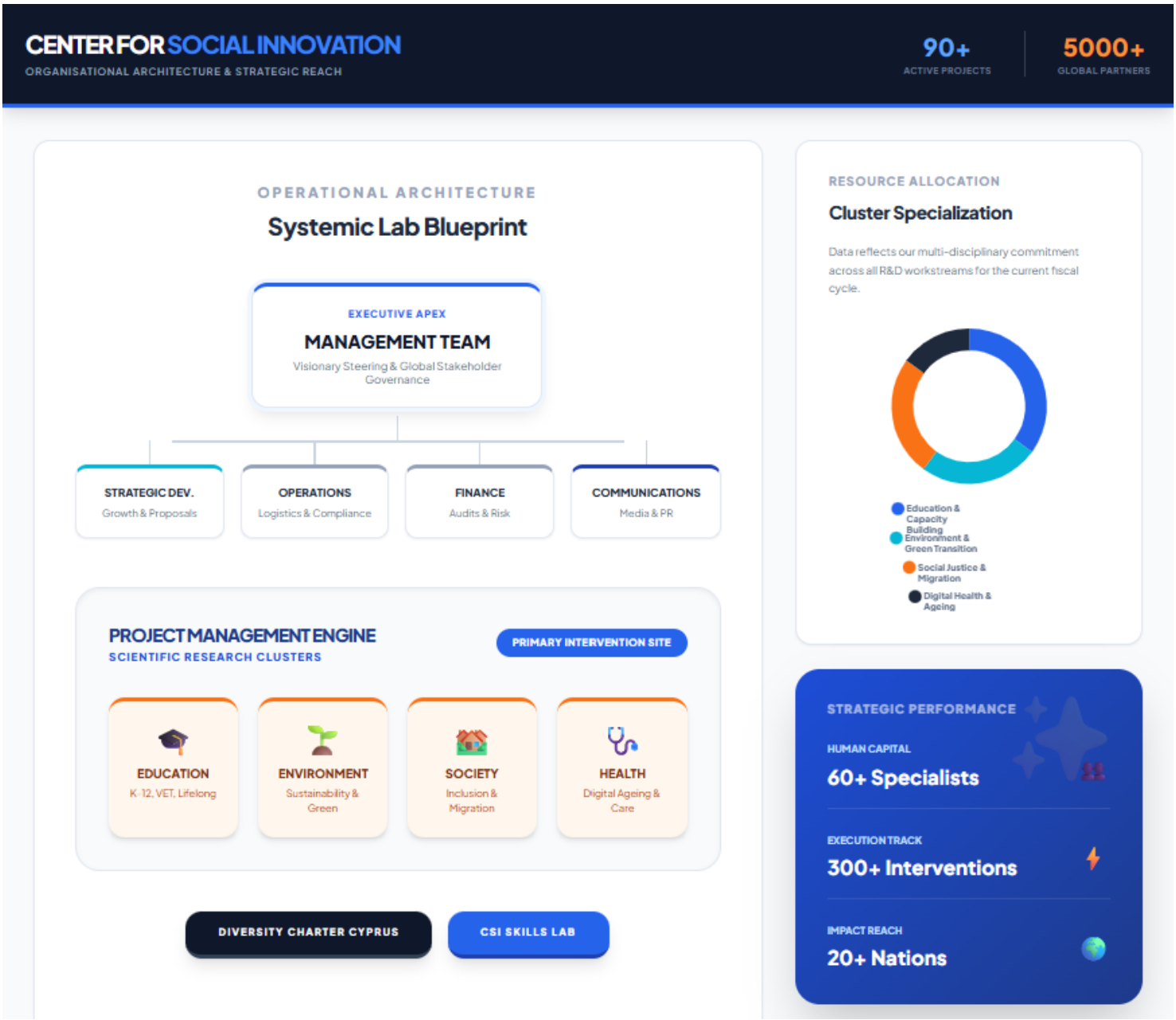
Our process spans the entire innovation cycle, starting with high-quality proposal writing and rigorous research methodologies. Our interdisciplinary team delivers scientific contributions across diverse fields and develops tailored educational modules using innovative techniques. We communicate and disseminate our findings through multiple channels, conduct systematic quality checks and evaluations, and pilot, assess, and coordinate solutions in varied settings. We transition research breakthroughs into market-ready products through prototyping and validation, manage intellectual property rights, and perform both social and environmental impact analysis. Finally, we develop robust business models and sustainability strategies for long-term success.

At the heart of our mission is a commitment to improving quality of life by using social innovation to address systemic challenges. Our academic expertise supports the development of opportunities for a wide range of individuals and organisations, while our network reaches more than 10,000 professionals worldwide and an additional 20,000 through social media.

CSI coordinates the Network of European Social Entrepreneurs and Innovators (NESEI) as appointed by the DG Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs. NESEI, with over 100 members across Europe, connects social innovators and supports collaborative learning and market entry for new ideas. As the National Focal Point for the EU Diversity Charter and the Responsible Partner for the National Competencies Agency for Social Innovation, CSI identifies social needs and designs sustainable, bespoke initiatives. With over 200 funded projects over the past 10 years, CSI serves as Cyprus's nexus for the Diversity Charter and plays a key role in the SIRIUS Policy Network on Migrant Education and the European Network of Innovation for Inclusion (ENII).

CSI Team Capacity and Operational Excellence

The core engine of CSI's operational capacity is its workforce of over 60 specialized professionals (35 full-time/ permanent employment and 25 external experts), representing a sophisticated assembly of researchers, educators, social entrepreneurs, and IT architects. This human architecture possesses over half a century of collective experience across four continents, providing the organization with a global perspective on market and social dynamics. Below the working organogram of CSI:



Technical Domain Expertise

Domain	Application	Capacity Level
Social Science and Justice	Impact analysis and Quality of Life (QoL) indexing.	Expert
Education and Capacity Building	School Network, CSI Academy, Certified VET Provider	Expert
Digital Transformation	E-learning, VR/AR, and mobile application development.	Advanced
AI & Machine Learning	Personalized learning pathways and bias mitigation (e.g., augMENTOR, MAMMOth projects).	High
Environmental Tech	Sustainability modeling and green steam incubators.	Advanced
Social Science and Justice	Impact analysis and Quality of Life (QoL) indexing.	Expert
Education and Capacity Building	School Network, CSI Academy, Certified VET Provider	Expert
Life Sciences	Health Literacy, Integrational Mental Health, Sports and Wellbeing	Expert
Business, Entrepreneurship, Innovation	Network of European Social Entrepreneurs and Innovators, Cyprus Networking Forum, Business Incubator	Expert

Our Core Expertise In Project Implementation:

- **Proposal writing and tailored contributions**: Develop and co-write proposals that align with strategic objectives and funding requirements, with a proven track record of high-quality proposal development.
- **Rigorous research methodologies:** Employ a broad range of methods—including qualitative, quantitative, mixed methods, comparative and content analysis, grounded theory, participatory action research, systematic reviews and meta-analyses, theory of change, discourse analysis, and social network analysis—to deliver robust data analysis and content development.
- **Interdisciplinary scientific contributions:** Scientific expertise in social innovation, education, sustainable development, programme design, environmental technologies, formal philosophy, AI ethics, molecular biology, biomedical engineering, legal research, and criminology contribute across diverse domains, driving transformative solutions in social sciences, sustainable technology, digital education, healthcare innovation, and regulatory frameworks.
- **Educational module development and implementation:** Design and implement tailored educational modules that combine theory with practice, addressing specific community needs and refined through stakeholder feedback.

- **Innovative approaches to education:** Use of creative techniques such as gamification, hackathons, and interactive workshops to foster engaging and collaborative learning environments.
- **Communication, dissemination, and exploitation:** Share our research findings and innovations through multiple channels and integrate them into practice with a focus on long-term sustainability.
- **Quality assurance and evaluation:** Conduct systematic quality checks and performance assessments to maintain high standards and achieve measurable social impact.
- **Pilot implementation, assessment, evaluation, and coordination:** Test innovative solutions in varied settings, measure their performance, evaluate results, and coordinate rollout for practical, scalable impact.
- **Research-to-Market transition:** Convert research breakthroughs into market-ready products through prototyping, validation, and adaptation to commercial needs, supported by strategic partnerships and clear commercialisation plans.
- **IPR Management:** Manage and protect our intellectual property with legal safeguards, facilitate knowledge transfer, and support sustainable growth.
- **Social impact analysis of technological innovations:** Assess the societal benefits and potential risks of our innovations, delivering measurable positive outcomes that address community needs.
- **Environmental impact analysis of innovations:** Evaluate the environmental benefits and risks of our innovations, measure performance against sustainability criteria, and minimise ecological footprints.
- **Sustainability and business modelling:** Develop robust business models and sustainability strategies that support long-term viability and commercial success by integrating economic, environmental, and social considerations.

Communication and Outreach:

CSI has extensive experience in leading dissemination and communication activities across Horizon-funded projects, with a strong focus on bridging the gap between research outcomes and market uptake. The organisation is responsible for designing and implementing outreach strategies that maximise visibility, stakeholder engagement, and long-term impact. CSI delivers comprehensive communication and dissemination plans, stakeholder mapping, branding materials, and awareness campaigns tailored to diverse audiences. In addition to managing social media channels, project newsletters, and promotional events, CSI facilitates clustering activities with related initiatives and promotes project results at key industry and policy events. A core aspect of CSI's work is ensuring that project outcomes are effectively translated into real-world applications, connecting innovations to relevant markets, end-users, and potential adopters. Through targeted actions and strategic partnerships, CSI enhances the exploitation potential of project results and supports their sustainable adoption beyond the project's lifetime.

Digital Outreach

The Center for Social Innovation (CSI) operates a multi-channel digital ecosystem with a collective reach of 30,671 stakeholders, facilitating high-impact dissemination for EU-funded projects. Our audience is strategically diverse, engaging professionals and decision-makers on LinkedIn and Meta platforms, while utilizing TikTok and multimedia channels to reach older demographics and younger creators. This approach ensures project results are tailored to various European stakeholder groups through academic, community-driven, and audio-visual storytelling.

Demographically, CSI maintains an inclusive reach with a consolidated gender distribution of 61.8% Women and 38.2% Men. While Meta platforms show strong engagement among female educators and social entrepreneurs, TikTok and specialized sub-communities provide a balanced outreach to male participants. Geographically concentrated in the Mediterranean with an EU-wide footprint, this network serves as a verified engine for lifelong learning and professional development, ensuring sustainable engagement and scalability beyond the project lifecycle.

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Sample of Funded (Successfully Concluded & Ongoing) Projects:

RESPOND-A	MAMMOth	RELEVIUM	E-DIPLOMA
H2020-SU-SEC-2019	HORIZON-CL4-2021-HUMAN-01	HORIZON-HLTH-2021-DISEASE-04	HORIZON-CL2-2021-TRANSFORM-01
Next-generation equipment tools and mission-critical strategies for First Responders	Multi-Attribute, Multimodal Bias Mitigation in AI Systems	Improving quality of life of advanced pancreatic cancer patients through an AI-guided multimodal	Electronic, Didactic and Innovative Platform for Learning Based on Multimedia Assets

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HORIZON-CL2-2022-DEMOCRACY-01	HORIZON-WIDERA-2022-ERA-01	HORIZON-CL2-2022-DEMOCRACY-01	HORIZON-MISS-2021-CANCER-02	HORIZON-CL4-2024-RESILIENCE-01
Augmented Intelligence for Pedagogically Sustained Training and Education	LEarning VEntuReS for Climate Justice	Augmenting participation, co-creation, trust and transparency in Deliberative Democracy at all scales	Early Dynamic Screening For Colorectal Cancer via Novel Protein Biomarkers Reflecting Biological Initiation Mechanisms	Augmented Intelligence for Pedagogically Sustained Training and Education

DRIVE	BOOST	ARCOE	ECLIPSE
Driving Rural Innovation through startup Villages across Europe	Building Outstanding Opportunities for Science and Talent	Advancing Research Careers through Organizational Excellence	Preventing and Combating Online and Offline Hate Speech and Disinformation Through Multidisciplinary Innovation, Education and Awareness in Europe

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Selected CSI's Projects' Management Team

Leadership and Strategic Innovation

Dr Sotiris Themistokleous: Social Inclusion Expert
Specializes in social innovation and sustainable development, utilizing strategic planning to drive transformative societal change.

Dr Demetris C. Hadjisofocli: Business & Entrepreneurship
Expert in incubator portfolios and international business operations, focusing on drug development and digital transformation.

Education and Research Coordination

Dr Katerina Theodoridou: ICT-Based Learning
Focuses on curriculum development and the creation of innovative digital learning frameworks for efficient project delivery.

Christos Damianou: Criminology & Social Research
Applies rigorous research methodologies and strategic planning to coordinate academic collaborations and inform project development.

Financial and Regulatory Integrity

Loizos Pitsillides: EU Financial Management
Manages the fiscal integrity of large-scale initiatives through budget analysis, sonsortium auditing, and digital marketing.

Dr Vasiliki Yiatrou: Legal & Policy Analysis
Provides legal research and regulatory frameworks for consumer protection and compllance in complex governance environments.

TECHNICAL AND SCIENTIFIC LEADERSHIP

Dr Styliani Karra: Environmental Biotechnology
Leads the development of eco-friendly innovations and sustainable technologies to reduce environmental impact.

Dr Anna Koreiidou: Pharmaceutical Innovation
Specializes in molecular biology and 30-printing therapeutic drug delivery devices within quality management systems.

COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH

Constantinos Karayiannis: Strategic Dissemination
Manages visibility for European projects through creative content creation, social media, and results-driven stakeholder engagement.