

Research Dossier: Cyprus

Geographic Region (ITU/UN)

Europe
Western Asia



Currency

EUR

ISO 3166 Code

CY

MCC

280

Calling Code

+357

ITU Member

Yes

ITU-R Region

Region-1

Overview

Cyprus, officially the Republic of Cyprus, is an island country in the Eastern Mediterranean. It is located south of Turkey, west of Syria and Lebanon, northwest of Israel, north of Egypt, and southeast of Greece.

The country is *de facto* partitioned into two main parts: the area under the effective control of the Republic, located in the south and west, and comprising about 59% of the island's area; and the north, administered by the self-declared Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, covering about 36% of the island's area. Another nearly 4% of the island's area is covered by the UN buffer zone.

Cyprus is a member of the ITU and as such follows radio frequency harmonisation principles according to ITU-R **Region-1**. The regulatory body governing communications policy is the Ministry of Transport, Communications and Works, and the Office of the Commissioner of Electronic Communications & Postal Regulation is charged with regulating the country's radio frequency spectrum activities such as planning, allocations, and licencing.

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