

# NEWSLETTER

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## Message from the Managing Director



### Maria Markidou Georgiadou

The last few months have been full of pleasant surprises and new beginnings for Cyprus Seeds! In February, we received the ultimate recognition from the Financial Times as one of **Europe's Leading Start – Up Hubs**, following a survey conducted by Statista, Germany! This achievement came right after Cyprus Seeds' international recognition as a **Startup Ecosystem Star**, in December 2024! February also marked the beginning of the **4th cycle** of our programme with **six new incredible teams**! In March, we concluded a partnership agreement with **Conception X**, UK's leading PhD deeptech venture programme, to further enhance Cyprus Seeds' offering to the innovative scientific community! Finally, in March, **Mariella Philippou** joined Cyprus Seeds' team as Head of Operations, Marketing and Communication!

I couldn't have been more proud!

# We are one of Europe's Leading Start - Up Hubs!

Ranked by

FINANCIAL TIMES,  
STATISTA & SIFTED

#104 out of 3,000 global entries

#13 in the 'Eastern Europe' regional sublist

The only Cypriot entity in the top list

According to the Financial Times, Statista and Sifted 2025 survey, Cyprus Seeds is one of Europe's Leading Start - Up Hubs! The survey ranks top incubators and accelerators based on impact, growth, and support, recognizing those that help startups launch and scale.

Forbes calls this as "a triumph for Cyprus", highlighting the island's growing reputation as a hub for innovation and entrepreneurship. By joining Europe's top startup hubs, Cyprus Seeds is set to fuel regional innovation and drive future investment, solidifying Cyprus as a vibrant center for startups.

Cyprus Seeds is the only Cypriot entity that made it to the top list, reaching "a milestone achievement for the Cypriot entrepreneurial ecosystem" as per Fast Forward's dedicated article!

Official Financial Times ranking list: <https://tinyurl.com/3knmr525>

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