



## **Highworth Cyprus Extends Legal Advisory Services to Additional International Markets Seeking Cyprus Company Formation Guidance**

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Highworth Cyprus, a Limassol-based professional services firm specializing in Cyprus company formation, corporate administration, and compliance, has announced the extension of its legal advisory services to several additional international markets where demand for Cyprus-based structuring guidance has intensified over the past year. The expansion reflects a broader shift in cross-border business activity, with entrepreneurs and established enterprises from an increasing range of jurisdictions examining Cyprus as a base for European operations, holding structures, and tax-efficient commercial activity.

The firm confirmed that its legal advisory service, previously concentrated on clients from Ukraine, Lebanon, the United Kingdom, and all European Union member states, will now be formally extended to entrepreneurs and corporate groups based in additional regions including Central Asia, the Gulf Cooperation Council states beyond its existing UAE coverage, parts of Eastern Europe outside the firm's traditional Ukrainian base, and select Sub-Saharan African markets. The advisory service covers the full legal lifecycle of a Cyprus company, from pre-incorporation structuring advice through formation, ongoing compliance, substance requirements, and board-level governance matters.

According to the firm, the decision to broaden its advisory coverage followed a sustained increase in inbound inquiries from jurisdictions that had not historically represented significant portions of the client base. Geopolitical repositioning, tightening regulatory environments in several offshore centers, and the continuing attractiveness of Cyprus as an EU member state with a competitive corporate tax framework have together driven inquiry volumes from these newer markets to levels that warranted a structured response. The firm determined that formalizing advisory coverage for these regions, rather than handling matters on an ad hoc basis, would produce better client outcomes and more consistent compliance results.

The extended advisory service will operate through a combination of remote consultations, scheduled in-person meetings in Limassol for clients traveling to Cyprus, and coordinated engagement with local counsel in the client's home jurisdiction where cross-border legal input is required. The firm has expanded its secure client communication infrastructure to accommodate the additional time zones and language requirements involved, and has added capacity within its compliance team to manage the enhanced due diligence standards that apply to clients from several of the newly covered regions.

A spokesperson for Highworth Cyprus outlined the reasoning behind the expanded coverage. "Inquiry patterns over the last eighteen months have shifted meaningfully, with substantial interest coming from jurisdictions that previously generated only occasional matters," the spokesperson said. "Handling these inquiries through the firm's established framework, rather than treating each as an exception, produces better legal outcomes for the client and a more predictable compliance pathway. The firm has reached the operational scale where formalizing advisory coverage for these additional markets is the appropriate step."

The expanded advisory scope addresses the legal questions that arise most frequently at the pre-incorporation stage, including the selection of appropriate corporate structures, the interaction between Cyprus company law and the client's home jurisdiction tax regime, substance and economic activity requirements under Cyprus and EU rules, shareholder and director arrangements, nominee structuring where legally appropriate, and the documentation required to satisfy Cyprus banking institutions during account opening. Post-incorporation advisory work covers ongoing board governance, compliance with the Cyprus Companies Law, annual filing obligations, and the firm's handling of more complex matters such as share transfers, corporate restructurings, and cross-border mergers involving Cyprus entities.

The newly covered markets present distinct legal and regulatory profiles, and the firm has invested in market-specific knowledge to ensure that advisory work accounts for the legal environment in which each client operates. Clients from Central Asian jurisdictions, for example, face different documentary and compliance considerations than those from Gulf states, and the firm has structured its advisory teams to reflect these differences. The compliance team has been expanded to include practitioners with direct experience of the enhanced due diligence frameworks that apply under Cyprus AML legislation and EU-wide

regulations when clients originate from higher-risk jurisdictions.

In preparation for the extended coverage, the firm has completed the recruitment of additional legal advisors and compliance specialists, bringing its total professional headcount to its highest level since the firm's establishment. New team members have completed an internal training program covering the firm's advisory methodology, which emphasizes plain-language legal communication, thorough initial intake, documented written advice, and ongoing client relationship management rather than transactional handling of discrete matters. The firm reports that client feedback gathered over recent years has consistently identified these practices as points of differentiation within the Cyprus corporate services sector.

Initial advisory consultations for clients from the newly covered markets will be booked through the firm's central scheduling process, which has been updated to reflect the additional geographic scope and the language support now available. Initial consultations include a structured intake covering the client's commercial objectives, the legal and tax considerations in the home jurisdiction, the proposed use of the Cyprus entity, and an outline of the compliance pathway. A written summary follows each initial consultation, setting out the recommended next steps and the documentation the client will need to prepare. The initial consultation does not commit the client to retaining the firm for the subsequent formation or advisory work, a policy designed to encourage early legal engagement before commercial commitments have been made.

The spokesperson noted that the expansion also reflects a view on the current state of international corporate structuring. "Businesses are making structuring decisions in a regulatory environment that has changed substantially in recent years, and decisions made without proper legal input at the outset often require costly remediation later," the spokesperson said. "The firm's extended advisory coverage is intended to reach clients at the point where early legal guidance produces the greatest benefit, rather than after structures have already been established on inadequate foundations."

Highworth Cyprus has operated since its founding with a focus on long-term professional relationships, and the extended advisory coverage is structured to preserve that orientation. Client matters originating from the newly covered markets will be assigned to dedicated advisory teams rather than distributed across a general pool, ensuring continuity across incorporation, ongoing compliance, and any subsequent corporate events. The firm anticipates that this continuity will prove particularly valuable for clients from jurisdictions where long-term professional relationships with foreign advisors have historically been difficult to establish.

Further information about the extended advisory coverage, available consultation formats, and documentation requirements for clients from the newly covered markets can be obtained through the firm's standard intake channels. Advisory scheduling for the additional markets is now open, with initial consultation

appointments available via their website <https://highworth.cy/>.

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