



## Cyprus to digitise Cypriot antiquities located in Sweden

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The digitisation of more than 20,000 Cypriot antiquities located in Sweden is expected to be carried out by the Digital Heritage Research Lab of the Cyprus University of Technology (CUT), which is a UNESCO Chair on Digital Cultural Heritage.

This is the first time ever that a foreign country asks another country to digitise its own archaeological wealth located there, the director of the CUT's Digital Heritage Research Lab, Dr Marinos Ioannides, has told CNA.

These archaeological objects, Ioannides said, were transferred to Sweden during the British colonial rule in the framework of archaeological excavations that took place between 1927 and 1931, with the participation of archaeologist Prince Gustav VI, before he became king of Sweden.

He said that on December 19, the Swedish Ambassador to Cyprus, Martin Hagström, is expected to visit the University, to discuss collaboration with the Digital Heritage Research Lab for the digitisation of these Cypriot antiquities, which are exhibited in Stockholm.



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