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Limassol's Lambousa reimagined in digital splendor

The epic comeback of Cyprus' maritime icon



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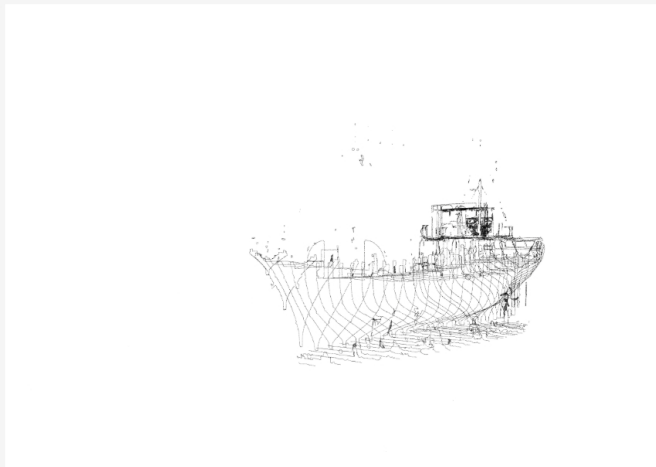
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In 1955, the Lambousa set sail from Perama, Piraeus, Greece, eventually becoming a symbol of Cyprus' fishing tradition. A decade later, it found its home in Famagusta, where it roamed the eastern Mediterranean for half a century, a resilient 25-meter vessel with a 48-ton capacity and a top speed of 10 knots.



Fast forward to 2004, the Lambousa retired but not forgotten. Now under the ownership of the Limassol Municipality, this maritime relic is poised for restoration at Limassol's Karnagio area. The municipality turned to the Digital Heritage Research Lab (DHRLab) at the Cyprus University of Technology for a comprehensive initiative.

In a unique collaboration, the DHRLab, backed by the EU-funded H2020 ERA Chair, the MNEMOSYNE Project, and the UNESCO Chair on Digital Cultural Heritage, embarked on a mission to digitally immortalize the Lambousa. The goal: to safeguard its history through cutting-edge technology, blending 3D imaging with historical, environmental, and societal context.

For the MNEMOSYNE team, accustomed to working with monuments, the Lambousa posed a thrilling challenge. Laser scanning and photogrammetry unveiled a three-dimensional model, capturing both the vessel's interior and exterior in unprecedented detail.



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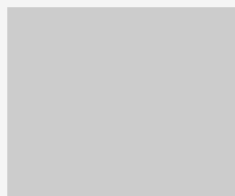
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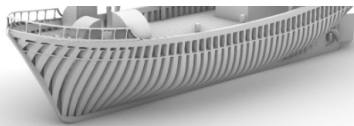
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Beyond its historical significance as Cyprus' oldest and last-of-its-kind fishing boat, the Lambousa's digital rebirth serves a broader purpose. It becomes a reservoir of technological, engineering, and contractual insights, pivotal in physically restoring this unique piece of Cypriot heritage. The once-nomadic fishing vessel now stands as a testament to the island's contemporary maritime narrative.

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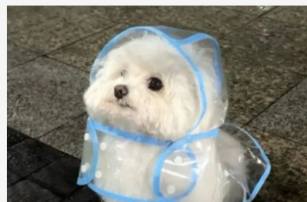
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Fifty-one years later, the sirens still echo the day Cyprus lost its peace.

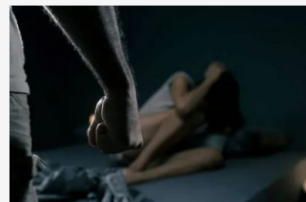
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332 third-country nationals repatriated from Cyprus

Authorities say repatriations remain a priority as figures surpass last year's total for the same period.

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New law aims to ease traffic jams caused by minor accidents

Drivers can now move vehicles after collisions if photos are taken and both parties agree.

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58-year-old arrested in Nicosia on animal abuse charges

Suspect faces multiple charges including neglect, cruelty, and licensing violations.

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Welcome to Larnaca International, please queue responsibly

The ultimate Cypriot summer experience, if you survive the airport.

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It's illegal to hose your veranda, so what about hosing yourself? Asking for a sweaty friend.

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Government expands day and 24-hour care services for persons with disabilities

Expanded services and new employment incentives aim to improve quality of life for persons with disabilities.

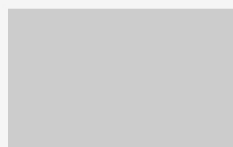
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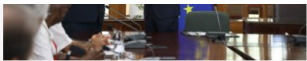


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Rare access granted to worshippers at site near Turkish-occupied Deryneia.

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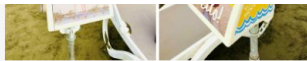




Movement of Cypriots for Peace and Solidarity Meets with President ahead of conference in New York

Turkish Cypriot group accuses Turkey of population manipulation, calls for ICC action.

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Larnaca installs secure lockboxes at Mackenzie Beach

Lockboxes to expand to Finikoudes Beach as Part of Larnaca's Coastal Improvement Plan.

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Increased police patrols across Cyprus lead to arrests and citations

Coordinated operations target traffic violations, immigration offenses, and unlicensed venues.

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Greece sees first trans woman lead political party

Electra Rome Dochtsi elected Volt Greece co-president.

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Man stabbed in Limassol after reported altercation

Attack may be linked to earlier road confrontation, police say.

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Teen dies in road accident near Choletria, Paphos

15-year-old was reported missing Friday night and found dead the next day in suspected motorcycle crash.

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Snakes slither into homes in Cyprus, rescuer warns: 'Even the migrants would leave'

Snake rescuer's viral videos showcase rising encounters and urge calm as temperatures climb.

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Limassol Municipality offers air-conditioned spaces during heatwave

Details on locations and operating hours.

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Global anti-trafficking operation identifies 1,194 victims, arrests 158 suspects

International sweep targets child exploitation, forced labor, and sex trafficking across 43 countries.

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More than 100 Syrian asylum applications rejected, officials say

Cyprus becomes first EU country to begin rejecting Syrian claims.

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Using hose for cleaning now a criminal offense under new water-saving law

Law expands bans, increases penalties; some exceptions apply.

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Six freed on bail, one remains jailed in convicted felon-socialite case

The ringleader returns to his cell as his alleged accomplices walk free.

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Court acquits two in 2024 murder of Dimitris Andronikos

Court finds insufficient evidence to proceed with charges.

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Anti-riot patrols deployed to Finikoudes following recent public safety concerns

President calls for swift justice and deploys anti-riot unit to restore safety along Larnaca's coastal promenade.

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