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Country of Origin: Netherlands

Academic Interests Research Journey

"I am an archaeologist investigating the earliest farming communities of Europe. My research is aimed at understanding better the social and economic structures that governed these societies, by excavating and analysing the remains of a Copper Age settlement at Palloures, Cyprus, using modern technological applications such as 3D modelling and 3D spatial analysis, and methods from geosciences, specifically soil micromorphology"

"My studies (ba, ma, PhD) were undertaken at Leiden University, where I also held a position as post-doctoral researcher and lecturer. In 2020 I arrived at the University of Cyprus in the context of an ONISILOS research fellowship. Currently, I am employed at the Archaeological Research Unit of the university as a postdoctoral researcher"

Why Cyprus

"As an archaeologist investigating the prehistory of the island, **moving to Cyprus made sense**, and specifically The University of Cyprus appeared the best fitting institute for my research interests, and I was acquainted already with some of the colleagues"

"The university helped with my contract, and to arrange things with the immigration service and other offices. For me this went smoothly"