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# **eLearning Day 2011**

## **Open University of Cyprus**

### **Academic copyright: the Cypriot reality**

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# Applicable Law

- **Cyprus Copyright Law 59/76 as amended (Law)**
- **EU Acquis – Superior Force**
- **International Treaties – Superior Force**



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# Type of Works

- **Literary Works Including Software**
- **Scientific Works**



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# **NOT Look at Piracy at the Academic Environment**

- **Books Copied at Photocopy Centres**
- **Open Book Exams with Photocopied Books**
- **Class Notes Copied**
- **Academic Software**



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# Scientific Work

- **It includes any work of scientific nature irrespective of its scientific quality**
- **Essentially it is the work of a scientist**
- **Are not all academics scientists?**



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# Literary Work (software included)

- **Class notes**
- **Software**
- **Exams questions**
- **Model answers**
- **Publications**



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## **S(11) of the Copyright Law**

**Essentially provides that work done during the course of one's employment, as part of one's duties, copyright is deemed to have been transferred to employer unless there is an agreement excluding or limiting this transfer.**

## **S(12) Transfer must be in writing**



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## Reservation ?

- **If there is an agreement - No problem**
- **If there is No agreement – Problem**
- **Could “© Achilleas Demetriades 2011  
All rights reserved” be enough?**





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**Thank you!**

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