Bridging Occupational Gaps with Refugees and Asylum Seekers by **European University** Cyprus

European University Cyprus, throught its program Occupanional Therapy, offers an innovative Occupational Therapy Clinical Practice Program for **Refugees and Asylum Seekers.** A conscious effort against occupational injustice

WHAT IS OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY?

Occupational therapy is a client-centred health profession concerned with promoting health and well-being through occupation. The primary goal of occupational therapy is to enable people to participate in the activities of everyday life. Occupational therapists achieve this outcome by working with people and communities to enhance their ability to engage in the occupations they want to, need to, or are expected to do, or by modifying the occupation or the environment to better support their occupational engagement. (WFOT, 2012)

WHAT CAN OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY DO TO **HELP REFUGEES AND ASYLUM SEEKERS?**

Occupational therapy can help Refugees and Asylum Seekers reach their potential and at the same time integrate in the host community:

- By giving them the opportunity to engage in occupation
- Through offering occupations that promote inclusion
- By informing about diversity and socio-cultural issues
- By addressing their individual needs

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