

Announcement

The Cyprus Securities and Exchange Commission (the 'Commission') wishes to inform all interested parties that the Small Alternative Investment Fund Managers Law of 2020 (the 'Law') officially came into force on the 3rd of July 2020.

The Law regulates the establishment and operation of sub-threshold Alternative Investment Fund Managers according to the European Directive 2011/61/EU on Alternative Investment Fund Managers (AIFM).

The European Directive on Alternative Investment Fund Managers (AIFM) provides that Member States may apply less stringent rules (a) for AIFMs that they manage portfolios of Alternative Investment Funds (AIF) whose assets under management, in total, do not exceed €100 million and (b) for AIFMs, that they manage portfolios of AIFs whose assets under management do not exceed €500 million, where the funds in question restrict redemption rights for a period of at least five years and where no leverage is used.

Therefore, according to the Law, small AIFMs ('sAIFMs') are Managers of AIFs whose assets under management do not exceed the thresholds set out in Article 3(2) of the Directive 2011/61/EU, which was transposed into the National Legal Framework in section 4(2) of the Alternative Investment Fund Managers Law (Law 56 (I) / 2013) .

The Law, the relevant Directives as well as the application forms have been posted on CySec's website at this [Link](#).

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