

# ***UCY library foundation stone to be laid***

President Demetris Christofias will next Friday, February 3, lay the foundation stone for the University of Cyprus' state of the art 'Stelios Ioannou' Learning Resource Centre-Library.

The ceremony is due to take place at 11am. The reception to follow will be addressed by Christofias, Dakis Ioannou on behalf of the new building's benefactors, the University's Board Chairman Haris Charalambous and Rector Constantinos Christofides.

The ceremony will also include the screening of a short film about the University and the presentation of a publication on the new Information Centre-Library by acting professor Panayiota Pyla. The university said the 'Stelios Ioannou' Learning Resource Centre-Library was the result of careful planning taking into ac-



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count both the needs of the University and Cyprus as whole.

The now also deceased Elli Ioannou donated €8m towards the project in her husband's memory. "Because of this donation, and others, the design was assigned to internationally-renowned architect Jean Nouvel. The project is unpretentious but impressive; it will be a point of reference in

Cyprus, placing us on the global architectural map," it added

The 'Stelios Ioannou' Learning Resource Centre-Library will house 1 million volumes, more than 40,000 titles of electronic magazines and 150 data bases, information from which will be available to Cyprus' scientific community as well as the wider public.