

Familiarisation Visit for Commission officials

MALTA - 14 – 18 November 2005

- Draft Programme -

Day 1 – Monday 14 November

9:30	Welcome Coffee Introductions Ice-Breakers
11:00	The Malta Experience <i>Audio Visual Show</i>
12:00	Lunch Break
13:30	The Maltese Political System – an overview
14:00	Discussion
14:30	Reform and Modernisation in the Public Service
15:00	Discussion
15:30	Coffee
16:00	Visit to the President's Palace and House of Representatives
16: 30	End of Day 1

Day 2 – Tuesday 15 November

9:00 The Maltese Economy: Overview and Prospects

9:30 Discussion

10:00 Economic Policy in Malta

10:30 Discussion

11:00 Coffee

11:30 Social Dialogue and Trade Unionism

12:30 Lunch Break

14:00 Economic Mainstays

- Tourism and Culture
- Manufacturing and Service Industries

16:00 Visit to St John's Co-cathedral

17:00 End of Day 2

20:00 Dinner

Day 3 – Wednesday 16 November

- 9:00 Changes in the Public Sector
- 9:30 Discussion
- 10:00 Redeployment Programmes
- 10:30 Coffee Break
- 11:00 Management Efficiency Unit
- 11:30 Developing an Information Society
- 12:00 Quality Service Charters
- 12:30 Lunch Break
- 14:00 Visit to Mdina including meeting with Local Council
representatives
Local Government within an Island Region
- 15:30 Visit to the Domus Romana
Historical site

Day 4 – Thursday 17 November

- 9:00 Pick up from Hotel
- 9:30 Departure from Cirkewwa Harbour, Malta
- 1000 Visit to Ministry for Gozo
Welcome and Introduction
- 1010 Presentation on the Island Region of Gozo
- 1020 Overview of the Ministry for Gozo
Gozo and the EU
- 1040 The Gozo Tourism Sector
- 1100 Coffee Break
- 1110 The role of NGOs in Gozo
- 1130 The Business Community in Gozo
- 1150 Agriculture in Gozo
- 1210 Question Time
- 1230 Walk through the old parts of Rabat, capital of Gozo
- 1245 Lunch at a typical Gozitan tavern serving local food
- 1400 Tour of the Citadella, the walled city of Gozo
- 1445 Visit to Dwejra
Optional short boat trip to see cliffs, caves and Azure Window
- 1530 Return to Mgarr, via Marsalforn and Xaghra, stopping at Calypso Cave
time permitting
- 1630 Departure from Mgarr Harbour, Gozo
- 1700 Return to Hotel

Day 5 – Friday 18 November

- 9:00 Study visit to an example of
International Investment in Local Industry
- 11:00 Visit to the Hypogeum
Historical site
- 12:00 Lunch Break
- 14:00 Evaluation and end of programme