



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE MINISTRY FOR FOREIGN AND EUROPEAN AFFAIRS
AND TRADE OF THE REPUBLIC OF MALTA
AND
THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
OF THE REPUBLIC OF SAN MARINO
ON
STRENGTHENING POLITICAL CONSULTATIONS**

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The Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs and Trade of the Republic of Malta and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of San Marino (hereinafter referred to individually as “the Participant” and collectively as “the Participants”),

Desiring to further deepen and strengthen their fruitful relations, friendship and mutually beneficial cooperation in areas of mutual interest, with a particular focus on the European integration;

Considering the values shared and promoted by the Republic of Malta and Republic of San Marino and in order to cooperate jointly to safeguard international peace and security, protect human rights and fundamental freedoms, promote democracy and dialogue between peoples, in accordance with international law and within the international organizations of which both countries are members;

Have reached the following understanding:

Article 1

The Participants will hold political consultations in order to further deepen and strengthen mutual cooperation and review bilateral relations as well as regional and international issues of mutual interest.

The Participants will agree, through diplomatic channels, on the frequency, dates, venues, agendas and level of consultations.

Such consultations may take place in the Republic of Malta or the Republic of San Marino or at the respective Embassies and/or in the margins of international meetings or remotely, as decided by the Participants.

Article 2

Areas of political consultations referred to in Article 1 of this Memorandum of Understanding (hereinafter referred to as “MOU”) include:

- a) initiatives aimed at safeguarding international peace and security, protecting human rights and fundamental freedoms within the framework of international organizations of which both countries are members;
- b) investment promotion;

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- c) exchange information/knowledge, experiences and best practices regarding the implementation of the aquis communautaire;
- d) comparison and planning of initiatives of common interest and synergies in the fields of tourism, training in hospitality and tourism culture, film industry and education;
- e) exchanging information and inviting diplomatic staff to participate in training programmes of mutual interest organized by the Participants;
- f) exchange invitations for relevant speakers for training programmes of mutual interest organized by the Participants;
- g) organize keynote lectures of mutual interest during official visits by high-level representatives of both Participants;
- h) exchange of relevant literature, teaching materials and publications, whereby the intellectual property will be fully respected.

Article 3

Each Participant will bear its own costs that might be incurred as a result of the implementation of this MOU.

Article 4

This MOU will not be intended to establish any legally binding rights or obligations under international law.

Article 5

This MOU may be amended by mutual written consent of the Participants.

Article 6

Any dispute or difference concerning the interpretation or application of this MOU will be resolved between the Participants through direct negotiations.

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Article 7

This memorandum of Understanding will enter into effect on the date of its signature for a period of five (5) years. It will be automatically prolonged for equal periods of time unless either Party notifies the other in writing by diplomatic channels six (6) months prior to the expiration that it wishes to terminate the Agreement.

Termination of this MOU will not affect the implementation of programmes, projects and activities initiated under this MOU that have not been completed at the time of its termination, unless the Participants agree otherwise.

Signed in MALTA on 11th September in two originals, in the English and Italian languages, all texts being equally valid. In case of divergence of interpretation of this MOU, the English text will prevail.

**For the Ministry of Foreign and
European Affairs and Trade
of the Republic of Malta**



The Hon. Ian Borg

**For the Ministry of Foreign
Affairs of the
Republic of San Marino**



H.E. Luca Beccari