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# CEO'S CORNER



### Settling in and getting used to it

In this first instalment of the Corner for 2022 I am writing from my new office on the top floor of Campus Hub.

The view from the 7<sup>th</sup> floor is majestic and chaotic at the same time. The side view of Valletta at a distance with the Grand Harbour as a backdrop is breath-taking. From my office window I have a bird's eye view of the University especially the Gateway entrance and the ongoing development of the Sustainable Living Complex project. I am thinking of introducing a service to commuters going into the University of the available parking slots at Car Park 6. I might also embark on a daily and periodic traffic update on B'Kara By Pass and, why not, whilst I am at it provide hourly weather updates based on what I can see on the far-off horizon.

The major difference from my previous adobe at the Lija Residence is the noise levels, especially in the morning. At Lija I was based in a secluded spot within the complex surrounded by greenery, open spaces and a variety of cats quietly going about their daily business. The atmosphere was mostly serene and at times I struggled to remain awake. There I was a "Castaway" (Tom Hanks anyone?) whilst at Campus Hub I am fully immersed in a long running episode of "The Streets of San Francisco" with ambulance and police sirens in the background and the din of ongoing construction works and the traffic from the Bypass.

### Comings and goings

My good friend Ing. Mario Cachia will, in a few days, hang up his boots and retire. Under his guidance the Training and Consultancy Unit went from strength to strength and he deserves full enjoyment of his retirement and our appreciation for the sterling service he has provided in these past 5 years. Ing. Mark Farrugia now has the big task of taking up Mario's mantle. I have also known Mark for many years preceding his engagement with MUHC and I know we are in good hands.

We do have a new addition within the Training and Consultancy Unit. Ms. Rachel Grima Mahoney joined MUC as a Consultancy and Training Executive in February 2022. We welcome her on board and wish her the best of luck.

### Kollox Politika? – Governanza, Religjon, Ekonomija, Amministrazzjoni Pubblika

Dr. Mario Thomas Vassallo is a prominent commentator and influencer in the local scene on all matters related to public policy, governance and politics amongst others. He is also the Head of the Public Policy Department within the Faculty of Economics, Management and Accountancy (FEMA) of the University of Malta.

Above all, he is also an old acquaintance of mine from our Maltacom days when circa two decades ago he was a bright young graduate trying to find his feet in the working world but already showing great promise for the future.

Fast forward to today and it is my great pleasure to have had the opportunity to collaborate with Dr. Vassallo through our radio station (Campus FM) and the Publishing Unit within Malta University Consulting Limited in the production of his book "Kollox Politika?". This book is the result of a series of radio programmes aired on Campus FM during 2019 and 2020 dealing with "Economics and Politics" and the "Past, Present and Future of the Public Service in Malta" with the participation of academics, practitioners, churches and civil society groups.

The book was published recently under the auspices of the President of Malta. We eagerly await Dr. Vassallo's next publications.

Cheers

Joe

### LATEST PUBLICATIONS

By Malta University Publishing (MUP)

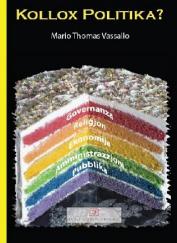


Dawn il-ħrejjef Maltin kienu oriģinalment irrekordjati fl-1903 b'lingwa fonetika mill-professur Ġermaniż Dr Hans Stumme u ppubblikati bħala "Maltesische Studien: eine Sammlung prosaischer und poetischer Texte in maltesischer Sprache nebst Erläuterungen. Leipzig: J.C. Hinrichs, 1904".

Din hi l-ewwel traduzzjoni bil-Malti tal-ħrejjef kollha ta' Stumme tal-1904, wara li fl-2019 inqalbu għall-Ingliż, bit-titlu "Stumme's Folktales from Malta". Stumme ġabar dawn listejjer fi żmien tliet ġimgħat billi dar Malta u Għawdex ma' assistent tiegħu Tuneżin li kien ta' għajnuna kbira għalih, u kellu wkoll student Malti li għenu jinterpreta u jikteb dawn ir-rakkonti li qalulu ħafna Maltin ta' diversi professjonijiet. Huwa kiteb dak li sema' bi skrittura fonetika. Il-kitba fonetika li uża Stumme tinkludi djaletti differenti ta' Malta u Għawdex.







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http://www.edu.mt/medinst/journal or contact 2340.8904 / 2340.8909 / 2340.8902

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Dan ix-xogħol jistħoqqlu tifħir, tal-anqas, għal żewġ raġunijiet ewlenin. Raġuni waħda hija l-interdixxiplinarità tiegħu. Kelma twila u tqila li tfisser li l-materjal u s-suġġetti f'dan il-ktieb mhumiex mgħarbula u skjerati minn lenti dejqa ta' dixxiplina partikulari. It-tieni raġuni hija l-ilsien Malti li bih issawru l-kapitli ta' dan il-ktieb. Bl-interdixxiplinarità tiegħu, u miktub kif inhu bil-Malti, dan il-ktieb huwa xempju tal-qrubija bejn l-akkademja, l-ekonomija u s-soċjetà Maltija; xhieda ta' kif u kemm l-Università kapaċi wkoll tersaq qrib in-nies.

Nilqa' lill-qarrejja kollha ta' dawn is-saġġi fuq aspetti varji tal-politika mogħtija minn għadd sabiħ ta' akkademiċi u prattikanti li wara li wasslu l-kontenut, l-argumenti u l-analiżi riċerkati tagħhom lis-semmiegħa, ikkollaboraw biex il-programmi jinqalbu fi ktieb. Bħala produttur u preżentatur fuq Campus FM, l-awtur ta' din il-pubblikazzjoni għamel biċċa xogħol fejjieda biex l-għerf imberraħ minn wara l-mikrofonu jsib postu mitbugħ f'dan il-volum denju.

## NEW DESIGN, NEW COLOURS

We thought it was time for something new and fresh in our shop and online store – and here you are, a new design for the logo on the hoodies and some vibrant new colours. We have kept the same good quality with Fruit of the Loom hoodies which, at 80% cotton, are both comfy and smart at the same time. They have a hood with draw cord, a front marsupial pocket and – very importantly – are easy to wash and care for.

We decided to go for a logo which is more of a University style, as this is very popular with youngsters and students. With regards to colours, with Malta being a sunny country, we opted for new, lively colours that open up the palette of choices to complement the already existing colour choices. We also have a wide range of sizes, to have something for everyone.

Drop by our shop at University House, near the canteen to see them for yourself, order online at <a href="https://www.universitysportsandleisure.com/shop/">https://www.universitysportsandleisure.com/shop/</a> or call 2340.8902 / 2340.8906 And while you are there, why don't you take a look at our other UM branded items, including graduation gifts and mementos such as the frames with the University of Malta coat of arms foil blocked on the mount, mugs, the cute teddy bear which can be personalised, and more.



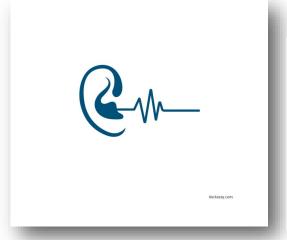
### **UPCOMING COURSES**

### **CPE Seminar:**

Company Law Update -

An Update on Recent Relevant Developments 2021-2022

https://maltaconsulting.mt/public-courses/cpe-seminar-company-law-update-an-update-on-recent-relevant-developments-2021-2022/





Short Course on Hearing Impairment

Step by Step to Autism

https://maltaconsulting.mt/public-courses/ short-course-on-hearing-impairment/ https://maltaconsulting.mt/public-courses/step-by-step-to-autism/

More information **here** 

# TAILORED PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSES

Malta University Consulting provides a variety of training and educational programmes through University of Malta academics as well as external professionals to provide the best possible service. Tailored courses are delivered either at our facilities at Campus Hub, in-house at company premises or at other venues. The Professional Development line has gained the reputation of being one of the island's leading training providers built on the philosophy that continuous education and training are part of the life-long learning process of every individual. Pictures show recent courses delivered in-house to Grant Thornton and STMicroelectronics employees.



Course delivered in-house to ST Microelectronics employees

Course delivered in-house to Grant Thornton employees

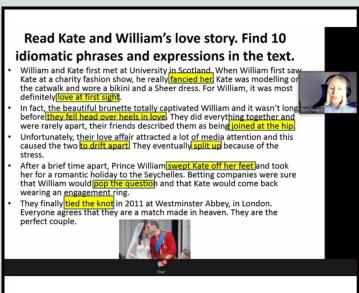




### MALTA UNIVERSITY LANGUAGE SCHOOL



Last November, Malta University Language school participated in EXPOLINGUA Online 2021, an online event showcasing educational courses worldwide. This annual event is normally held in Berlin but last year it was organised online. The fair was held between the 10<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> November and we presented our session on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> November. The presentation consisted in an online lesson entitled "An English Love Affair - Tune up your skills in idiomatic language" which was delivered by one of our core teachers, the session was well attended. Additionally, all the EXPOLINGUA participants had the opportunity to participate in our lottery with the possibility of winning a 2 week General English course at MULS. We look forward to welcoming the lottery winner to our school in the coming months.





## <u>Listen</u> <u>on demand</u>

### SCHEDULE OF PROGRAMMES: January 03 - April 03, 2022

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08.00	Campus Breakfast
10.00	Campus Brunch
12.00	Mużika 21
13.00	Analiżi tal-ġurnali
13.30	Koktejl Lingwistiku
14.00	BBC News Hour
15.00	Mill-Kulleģģ
15.30	Minn Melite sal-Imdina
16.00	Bogħod Vicin
16.30	Ir-Ricerka fl-Universita
17.00	Lejn Mużika Mużika
17.30	Għal fejn illejla?
18.00	The Interviewer
18.30	Classic FM
21.00	BBC World Service

#### <u>Tuesday</u>

08.00	Campus Breakfast
10.00	Campus Brunch
12.00	Kompli Tgħallem
13.00	Analiżi tal-ġurnali
13.30	Bogħod Vicin
14.00	BBC News Hour
15.00	L-istorja tal-Opra f'Malta
15.30	Back in Time
16.00	Minn Kampus għal leħor
17.00	Sostenibilita
18.00	Jazz Groove
19.00	Classic FM
21.00	BBC World Service

### Wednesday

08.00	Aħna I-Ewropa	
08.30	Campus Breakfast	
10.00	Campus Brunch	
12.00	The Interviewer	
12.30	Back in time	
13.00	Analiżi tal-ġurnali	
13.30	Blues u kotba strambi	
14.00	BBC News Hour	
15.00	Therapy Talk	
16.00	Koktejl Lingwistiku	
16.30	Lejn Mużika Mużika	
17.00	Minn Melite sal-Imdina	
17.30	Miegħi Maltin	
18.30	Classic FM	
21.00	BBC World Service	
<u>Thursday</u>		
08.00	Campus Breakfast	

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10.00	Campus Brunch
12.00	Lelà kliem u nota u I-bejniet
13.00	Analiżi tal-ġurnali
13.30	Taħdita Clio
14.00	BBC News Hour
15.00	Kompli Tgħallem
16.00	Back in time
16.30	Bogħod Vicin
17.00	Aħna Hawn
18.00	Mużika 21
19.00	Classic FM
21.00	BBC World Service

### **Friday**

08.00	Campus Breakfast
10.00	Campus Brunch
12.00	Sostenibilita
13.00	Analiżi tal-ġurnali
13.30	Mill-Kulleġġ
14.00	BBC News Hour
15.00	Minn Kampus għal leħor
16.00	Ir-Ricerka fl-Universita
16.30	Campus Weekend Show
18.30	Classic FM
21.00	BBC World Service

### <u>Saturday</u>

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08.30	Taħdita Clio	
09.00	Agora	
11.00	Aħna Hawn	
12.00	Therapy Talk	
13.00	Miegħi Maltin	
14.00	BBC World Service	
19.30	Blues u kotba strambi	
20.00	Jazz Groove	
21.00	Hommage à la musique	
23.00	BBC World Service	
Sunday		
09.00	Aħna I-Ewropa	

09.00	Allila i-Ewiopa
09.30	L-istorja tal-Opra f'Malta
10.00	Lejn Mużika Mużika
10.30	Lelà kliem u nota u l-bejniet
11.30	Għal fejn illejla?
12.00	Classic FM
14.00	Hommage à la musique
16.00	BBC World Service

# FOCUS ON PERSONNEL Pierre Demicoli Executive Officer Malta University Sports & Leisure



Some of you may know Pierre Demicoli from the snack bar at Malta University Residence at Lija, where he used to take care of the catering facilities.

Pierre has now been employed as Executive Officer with the Sports & Leisure team, starting in November 2021.

His background is in the catering sector. Pierre got his expertise at ITS. He also gained eight months work experience in a ski resort in Switzerland, helping the Chef in this resort. Before joining MUHC, he was working in a catering company where he was a manager of six catering outlets / canteens and taking care of outside catering like weddings, birthday parties, anniversaries, etc.

His aspiration is to open the kiosk at the 5-a-side pitches by selling healthy breakfast and lunch options. Another ambition of Pierre's is to start offering functions such as birthday parties, games tournaments, Quiz nights, BBQs, get-togethers and other fun events. How about contacting us for your next gathering with friends or colleagues?

Together with the Sports & Leisure team, he is also planning and working on team building events, including but not limited to archery, treasure hunts, traditional games, traditional Maltese cooking classes, Karaoke, wine tasting, boat charter and horse riding, amongst others.

There are also plans of having a chill-out room close by, where you can relax and play a board game or table soccer with friends, or maybe sit and read a good book. Keep following our newsletter for updates.

Easter is coming and Pierre is planning on making home-made pure almond figolli. Make sure to grab yours, as they are delicious.

With all his enthusiasm, Pierre is surely a great addition to the Sports & Leisure team!

