



Memorandum of Understanding

on

Health Cooperation

between the

Government of the Republic of Malta

and the

Government of the Republic of Seychelles

13

15

The Government of the Republic of Malta represented by the Ministry responsible for Health in Malta and the Government of the Republic of Seychelles represented by the Ministry responsible for Health in Seychelles, both hereinafter referred to as "the Participants";

Strongly believing in the benefits of the shared pursuit of better health for all and universal health coverage for optimal human development;

Conscious of the common ties existing between their two small island states;

Desirous of strengthening their collaboration in the health field to improve their people's wellbeing;

Wishing to enhance the influence of Small Island States in international health fora;

Have reached the following understanding:

Paragraph One

The purpose of this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is to facilitate and strengthen bilateral institutional cooperation in the health sector between the Participants.

Paragraph Two

The Participants will explore all possibilities to align their positions in international fora in relation to health issues that are of concern to small island states.

Paragraph Three

1. The Participants, based on a reciprocal basis and in conformity with their respective mandates, will promote mutually beneficial collaboration between them in the fields of health and medicine.
2. The specific areas of interest, including modalities for their implementation, will be mutually agreed upon by the Participants through the exchange of official correspondence by diplomatic channel, and will include, but not be limited, to the following:
 - (a) Twinning programmes between health institutions;
 - (b) Sharing of best practices in public health and medicine;
 - (c) Exchange of health personnel;
 - (d) Training and capacity building for health personnel;

- (e) Exchange of higher education students for attachments or elective programmes;
- (f) Digital health and telemedicine;
- (g) Procurement of Pharmaceutical products.

Paragraph Four

1. The Participants accept that whenever their officials travel to the country of the other Participant to discuss or implement any form of collaboration under this MOU, the expenses incurred for the travel shall be borne by the Participant making the travel.
2. Where the receiving Participant accepts to bear certain costs, this will be discussed and agreed upon by exchange of official correspondence.

Paragraph Five

This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended by mutual consent of the Participants through the diplomatic channel.

Paragraph Six

The Participants may terminate this Memorandum of Understanding by giving three months' notice to the other Participant through the diplomatic channel.

Paragraph Seven

Any project or activity commenced before a notice of termination has been given, shall continue to its completion on the same terms and conditions by which the project or activity started, unless otherwise agreed by the Participants.

Paragraph Eight

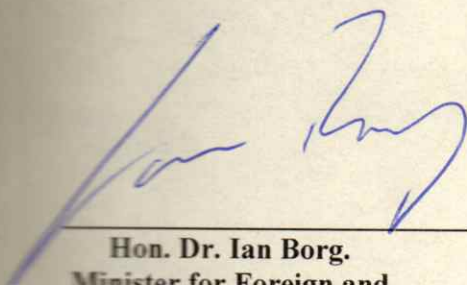
Any dispute arising between the Participants in the course of implementation of this MOU shall be resolved amicably between the Participants through diplomatic channels.

Paragraph Nine

This Memorandum of Understanding will come into effect on the date of its signature by the Participants and will remain valid indefinitely unless terminated by the Participants.

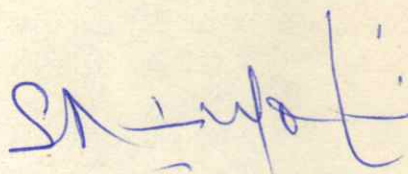
Signed in duplicate at Victoria, Seychelles, on this 12th day of May of 2023 in the English language, both texts having equal validity.

**For the Government of the
Republic of Malta**



**Hon. Dr. Ian Borg.
Minister for Foreign and
European Affairs and Trade**

**For the Government of the
Republic of Seychelles**



**Mr. Sylvestre Radegonde
Minister of Foreign Affairs
and Tourism**