

Memorandum of Understanding

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is made between

The Government of Libya
(Ministry of Labour and Capacity Building)

And

The Government of Malta,
(Ministry of Education and Employment)

Hereinafter separately referred to as 'Party' and together as 'parties'

Introduction

1. The parties in pursuance of this MOU intend to establish a long-term partnership and cooperation regarding the training and capacity building of Libyan nationals in areas of common social and economic interest with links to the labour market, in order that the parties establish training institutions in their respective countries awarding qualifications recognised at an international level.

General Provisions

2. This MOU acknowledges the strategic intent of the Governments of Libya and Malta to:
 - 2.1 Train Libyan nationals in technical areas provided by vocational training institutions in Malta;
 - 2.2 Provide embedded learning of English as a foreign language to Libyan nationals following courses in Malta;
 - 2.3 Award Libyan nationals qualifications recognised at European and international levels;

- 2.4 Afford Libyan nationals exposure to learning and intercultural experiences within private industry in Malta with a view to establishing greater cooperation between the two countries.
3. This MOU envisages the exchange of experts in the field of training qualifications with the scope of establishing for Libya a Libyan Qualifications Framework for Lifelong Learning based on internationally recognised standards and the structures of a Libyan Quality Assurance and Accreditation Agency for Further and Training Qualifications.
4. This MOU appraises the efforts of the Governments of Malta and Libya for participation in this strategic partnership as a means to enable the two peoples to build bridges of cooperation and partnership between the two countries through training institutions at all level of qualifications.
5. To this end, the Government of Malta reiterates its willingness to support this initiative of Libya in facilitating:
- 5.1 Experts in the field of qualifications to establish a working relationship with counterparts in Libya with a view to establishing a Libyan Qualifications Framework for Lifelong Learning and Vocational Training;
 - 5.2 The provision of vocational training in areas identified by Libyan authorities and which are provided by the Malta College of Arts, Science and Technology (MCAST), the Institute of Tourism Studies, (ITS) the Employment and Training Corporation (ETC), other educational and training institutions, and accredited and fully licensed private training institutions;
 - 5.3 The provision of the teaching of languages particularly the English Language from basic to advanced levels;
 - 5.4 The provision of specialised courses in the English Language in areas related to business, hospitality, maritime affairs and other areas as identified by the Libyan authorities;
 - 5.5 Curriculum development in vocational training;
 - 5.6 The design and drafting of qualifications in vocational training and higher vocational training;
 - 5.7 Exposure to Libyan nationals to institution - building in education and training.

6. The Parties agree to enter into discussions and negotiations to develop terms and conditions that regulate the relevant issues that will include but will not be limited to the following:
 - 6.1 The strategy, plans and selection for the training in Malta of up to but not limited to 1000 Libyan nationals during 2012/13. This strategy includes the number and profile of learners, technical persons, experts, trainers and personnel required under the intended strategic plans for this partnership;
 - 6.2 The awarding of a number of training scholarships to Libyan nationals in order to assist in the capacity-building of various labour sectors;
 - 6.3 The Government of Malta will make every effort to ensure that tuition fees in public institutions for Libyan nationals referred in this MOU will be established in accordance with the number of trainees coming to Malta.
 - 6.4 The finalisation of an agreement between the Malta College of Arts, Science and Technology and Ta' Giorni Institute, St Julians Malta to provide training to Libyan nationals as required;
 - 6.5 The provision of short courses provided by the Employment and Training Corporation (ETC) in areas of technical and vocational to be identified and requested by the Libyan Authorities;
 - 6.6 The setting up of a Malta Training Centre (MTC) in Libya aimed at providing *in-situ* training directly linked to the labour market to a wider range of Libyan nationals in particular job-seekers and the re-skilling of workers entering or in the labour force.
7. The parties agree that a team of Libyan experts visit Malta on a familiarisation mission to view its training institutions. During this visit an agreement will be signed to implement this training partnership.
8. The Government of Malta commits itself to facilitate the issuing of Visas to Libyan nationals participating in this partnership.

NOMINATED CONTACT

9. The nominated representatives of the Parties for the purpose of this MOU shall be as follows:

The Government of Libya (Ministry of Labour and Capacity Building)

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| 1 – Dr. A. G. Tamtam | Deputy Minister for Capacity Building |
| 2 – A. M. Fitori | Head of Administration and Finance Dep. |
| 3 – H. S. Belashar | Head of Cooperation Office (Nominated) |
| 4 – M. I. Zorgani | Technical Consultant |
| 5 – Dr. M. M. Jomaa | Head of Ta' Giorni Institute - Malta |

The Government of Malta

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| 1 – Dr. Joachim James Calleja | Permanent Secretary - Ministry of Education and Employment (MEDE) |
| 2 – Ms. Michela Fenech Pace | Head of Strategic Policy Planning- of OPM |
| 3- Mr. Bryan Magro | Head of Secretariat; MEDE |
| 4- Mr. Joseph Farrugia | President, MCAST |
| 5- Ms. Helga Mizzi | Director , MFA |

Done in Tripoli on Thursday 26th January 2012, in three original copies in Arabic language and three original copies in English language.

For the Government of Libya



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