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## **Newly Appointed Malta Council for the Voluntary Sector**

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The new Council has been appointed for the term of office 2018 to 2020 and will be engaged on a number of key initiatives, whilst carrying on the work of the previous council.

The new council is made up of:

- Mr. Damien Attard from Right 2 Smile
- Ms. Doris Bingley from the National Council of Women
- Ms. Gertrude Buttigieg from Malta Federation of Professional Associations
- Dr. Noel Camilleri from *Għaqda Kazini tal-Banda*
- Fr. Antoine Farrugia sdb from Home Away from Home
- Mr. Robert Farrugia from Scouts Association Malta
- Mr. Trevor Fenech as Government Representative
- Mr. Edward Gruppetta from Red Cross Malta
- Mr. Michael Richard Piccinino from Kunsill Nazzjonali taż-Żgħażagħ
- Mr. Oliver Scicluna representing Persons with Disability
- Dr. Corrine Wood from Dr. Klown

During the first Council meeting held on the 8th May 2018 Dr. Noel Camilleri was elected as Chairperson of the same Council.

The Malta Council for the Voluntary Sector aims to support local voluntary organisations working across every aspect of society through networking, training, capacity building, funding initiatives, and awareness raising. Indeed, the Council seeks to give a stronger and more unified voice to voluntary organisations in Malta and Gozo with the public, government and business stakeholders. It also functions in a supporting role to the Commissioner of the Voluntary Organisations and the work of his team in the sector.

The Council will continue working towards setting up more facilities for the voluntary organisations to be used as hub and resource centres, as well as continuing to provide training and mentoring for VO volunteers and administrators to support the development of their organisations.

The Council encourages all members of the public to find out more about the work of voluntary organisations in Malta and support their initiatives. For more information visit [www.maltacvs.org](http://www.maltacvs.org) and our Facebook page *malta council for the voluntary sector*.

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### **Appuntat il-Kunsill Malti għas-Settur tal-Volontarjat**

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Il-Kunsill il-ġdid ġie appuntat għat-terminu 2018 sa' l-2020 u ser ikun involut fuq numru ta' inizjattivi filwaqt li jkompli jaħdem fuq ix-xogħol ta' l-aħħar Kunsill.

Il-Kunsill il-ġdid huwa kompost minn dawn li ġejjin:

- Is-Sinjur Damien Attard minn Right to Smile
- Is-Sinjura Doris Bingley minn National Council of Women
- Is-Sinjura Gertrude Buttigieg minn Malta Federation of Professional Associations
- Dr. Noel Camilleri minn I-Għaqda Każini tal-Banda
- Fr. Antoine Farrugia sdb minn Home Away from Home
- Is-Sur Robert Farrugia minn Scouts Association of Malta
- Is-Sur Trevor Fenech bħalha rappreżtant mill-Gvern
- Is-Sur Edward Gruppetta minn Malta Red Cross
- Is-Sur Michael R. Piccinino mill-Kunsill Nazzjonali taż-Żgħażagħ
- Is-Sur Oliver Scicluna rappreżtant għall-Persuni b'diżabbilita'
- Dr. Corinne Wood minn Dr. Klown

Fl-ewwel laqgħa tal-Kunsill nhar it-Tlieta 8 ta' Mejju 2018, Dr. Noel Camilleri ġie elett bhalha *Chairperson* ta' l-istess Kunsill.

Il-Kunsill Malti għas-Settur tal-Volontarjat għandu l-għan li jappoġja l-Organizzazzjonijiet Volontarji lokali li jaħdmu f'kull aspett tas-soċjeta permezz ta' 'networking', taħriġ, inizjattivi ta' finanzjament u qawmien ta' kuxjenza dwar is-settur. Filfatt, il-Kunsill ifittem li jagħti vuċi aktar b'saħħiħtha u aktar unifikat lill-

Organizzazzjonijiet Volontarji f' Malta u Għawdex kemm mal-pubbliku, ma' entitajiet privati kif ukoll mal-Gvern. Il-Kunsill għandu wkoll ir-rwol li jagħti l-appoġġ tiegħu lill-Kummissarju ta' l-Għaqdiet Volontarji u x-xogħol ta' l-uffiċċju tiegħu għas-Settur.

Il-Kunsill sejkun qed ikompli fil-ħidma tiegħu għal aktar facilitajiet għall-Organizzazzjonijiet Volontarji sabiex jintużaw bħala 'hub' u ċentru ta' rizorsi, kif ukoll jkompli jipprovd taħrif u 'mentoring' għall-voluntiera u l-amministratturi ta' l-Organizzazzjonijiet Volontarji biex isostnu l-iżvilupp ta' l-organizzazzjonijiet.

Il-Kunsill jinkoraġġixxi l-membri kollha tal-pubbliku sabiex isiru jafu aktar dwar il-ħidma tal-Organizzazzjonijiet Volontarji f' Malta u Għawdex kif ukoll jappoġġjaw l-innjattivi tagħhom. Għal aktar tagħrif wieħed għandu jżur is-sit [www.maltacvs.org](http://www.maltacvs.org) u l-paġna tal-Facebook *Malta Council for the Voluntary Sector*