



EUROPEAN CITIES AGAINST DRUGS 17TH ECAD MAYORS' CONFERENCE

F I R S T A N N O U N C E M E N T

EMPOWERING OUR CITIZENS to HEALTHIER LIFESTYLES

D e a r f r i e n d s a n d c o l l e a g u e s ,



It is my pleasure to invite you to the 17th ECAD Mayors' Conference that will be held on the island of Gozo on April 22-24, 2010. The conference will be hosted by the Parliamentary Secretariat for Public Dialogue and Information within the Office of the Prime Minister and the Pembroke Local Council.

The scope of this conference is to strengthen the cooperation and efforts of ECAD members to promote a drug-free Europe and to develop initiatives and efforts against drug abuse.

The theme for this year's conference is Empowering our Citizens to Healthier Lifestyles. We all believe that the issue of leading a healthy lifestyle and maintaining restrictive and humane drug policies - both on a national and international level - must remain on top of the political agenda.

In ECAD Director Jörgen Svidén's words, we would like the conference in Malta to help create a future without drugs for the citizens of our cities. We want to create an awareness of the benefits of a healthy and drug-free lifestyle. We want our citizens to believe in these benefits and appreciate the difference they can make to themselves and society in general.

Whilst wishing you a pleasant and fruitful stay in Malta, I look forward to seeing and working with you to achieve ECAD's noble goals.

W e l c o m e !

CHRIS SAID

*Parliamentary Secretary
for Public Dialogue and Information*

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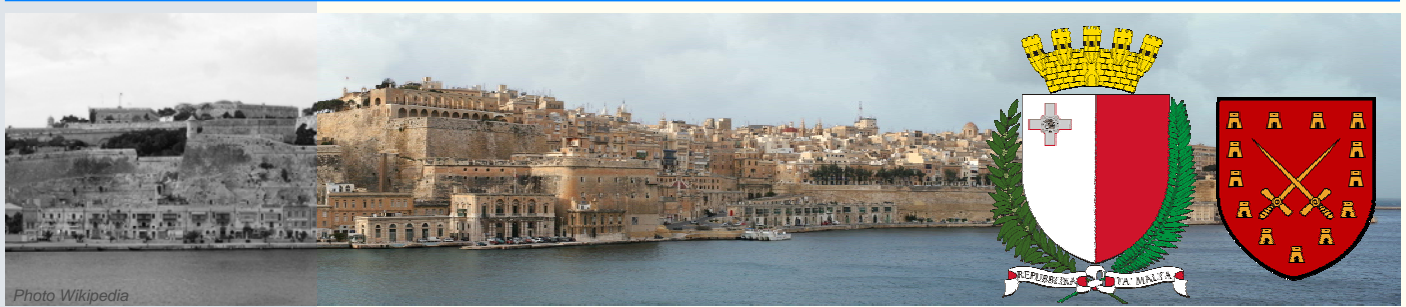


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