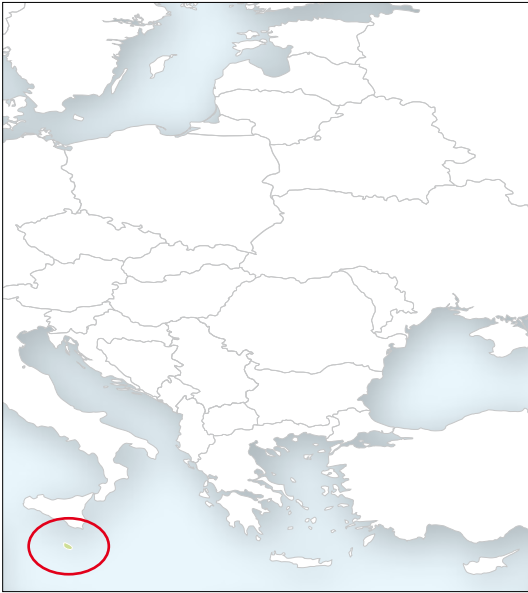




EU ENLARGEMENT CONTRIBUTION FOR MALTA 5 MILLION FRANCS



Population: 0.4 million
Swiss imports from Malta: 14 million francs
Swiss exports to Malta: 60.1 million francs
Real GDP growth rate: 2.1 percent
Purchasing power in relation to EU-Ø (2010): 83.0 percent
(Source: Eurostat, Swiss Foreign Trade Statistics, 2011)

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

3 projects, accounting for some 4.8 million francs, have been approved in Malta. All projects further one of the following objectives:

Promoting economic growth and improving working conditions

Training for diplomats in the Mediterranean region

Switzerland finances scholarships for young diplomats from North Africa and the Middle East which enable them to take Master's courses at the Mediterranean Academy of Diplomatic Studies (MEDAC). This represents a continuation of the many years of partnership between Switzerland and Malta to promote peace and stability in the Mediterranean area. A Swiss professor teaches at MEDAC and there is close cooperation with specialist Swiss institutes and the Swiss diplomatic service.

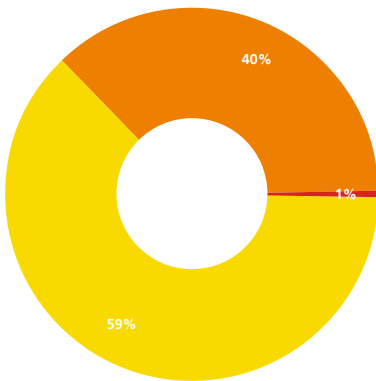
Improving social security

Prevention and diagnosis of cancer

An up-to-date infrastructure for cancer diagnosis is necessary if cancer is to be treated efficiently and effectively. Thanks to this project, a Positron-Emissions-Tomograph (PET-Scanner) is being installed in the public Mater Dei Hospital in Malta, which will provide access to modern cancer diagnosis for Malta's entire population. In addition, support is also being provided for an independent oncology centre within the hospital, which will involve working together with the Oncological Institute of Southern Switzerland (IOSI) in Bellinzona. The project is a step towards reducing inequalities in the Maltese health service.

You can find additional information at
<http://www.swiss-contribution.admin.ch/malta>

Figure: Allocation of the Swiss contribution to the enlarged EU by project goal



Promoting economic growth and improving working conditions

1 Project
CHF 1,900,000

Improving social security

1 Project
CHF 2,794,000

Project preparation + technical assist.

1 Project
CHF 50,000

Total CHF 4,744,0000

The remaining amount covers expenses for administrative costs on the Swiss side.

