




Malta hosting the European Confederation of Conservator-Restorer Organizations' [ECCO]¹ General Assembly [GA] and Presidents' Meeting [PM] in 2018

General Data:	
Dates:	Friday 27th April - Monday 30th April (<i>Tuesday 1st May is a public holiday in Malta in which the locals celebrate Workers' Day as well as commemorating the anniversary of Malta becoming a full members of the European Union. Generally during this weekend, the Malta Fireworks Festival is held over the grand harbour so there will be great entertainment in the evenings.</i>)
Location:	Malta, Europe 
Local Association:	Malta Association of Conservator-Restorers (MAPCo-Re)
Hosting entity:	Heritage Malta - <i>Forte St Elmo, the National Museum of Archaeology and the Conservation Division, Bighi</i>

¹ The European Confederation of Conservator-Restorers' Organisation [ECCO] was established in 1991 by 14 European Conservator-Restorers' Organisations. Currently representing close to 6.000 professionals within 22 countries and 24 members organisations, plus one international body (IADA), E.C.C.O. embodies the field of preservation of cultural heritage, both movable and immovable. Conservator-Restorers are increasingly becoming involved in administration and management of cultural heritage. During its 25 years of existence (1991-2016), E.C.C.O. has established principles and fought for regulation to control access to the profession of the Conservator-Restorer, by articulating professional standards and publishing guidelines for education and practice.

**Introduction:**

2018 will be the European Cultural Heritage Year (ECHY) and also the year in which Valletta will be hosting the European Capital of Culture (Valletta 2018).



The Malta Association of Professional Conservator-Restorers (MAPCo-Re) was set up in 2007 with the intent of being the lead voice for the profession in Malta, bringing together academically qualified and experienced professional conservator-restorers who abide by the code of ethics. The Malta Association of Professional Conservator-Restorers [MAPCo-Re] was set up to promote the professional maintenance, preservation, conservation, and restoration in a scientific and ethical manner of our Cultural Heritage, within Malta. It is committed to improve the understanding of and access to the safeguarding of cultural heritage. MAPCo-Re is the only voluntary organization developed locally to fulfill this role and build the collaboration and community of such professionals.

In 2008, MAPCo-Re sought the need to be linked up with all the other professions locally and joined the Malta Federation of Professional Associations (MFPA), as an associate member. After achieving this local recognition, MAPCo-Re went a further step and in September 2010 applied to be an associate member of European Confederation of Conservator-Restorer Organizations (ECCO). In May 2011 MAPCo-Re was not only accepted officially as an associate member, but was also requested to contribute more extensively toward the European framework and other activities within the profession. In 2013, MAPCo-Re was also officially accepted as a fully federated member of the MFPA and as a full member of ECCO. MAPCo-Re is also a registered voluntary organization since 30th November 2013.



Heritage Malta is the national agency for museums, conservation practice and cultural heritage (this is emphasised in its mission statement²) and has agreed to provide the premises for this event.

**Scope:**

This event aims to help organize, develop and promote, on a practical, scientific and cultural level, the profession of the Conservator-Restorer. Such events are developed to set standards and regulate practice at European level and enhance communication between and mobility of professionals. In turn it aims to strengthen the role and responsibilities of the Conservator-Restorer in relation to other participants in the multidisciplinary process of safeguarding cultural heritage.

MAPCo-Re hopes that by this event, will help set Malta on the European map within this professional field and provide a portal for networking within the Mediterranean community. One of the main contributions towards our economy within this small island state is cultural tourism, which must be sustained by professional conservation-restoration for the best preservation and presentation of the local sites and artefacts for, both the local and foreign tourists.



² Heritage Malta's Mission Statement: **The mission of Heritage Malta is to ensure that those elements of cultural heritage entrusted to it are protected and made accessible to the public. The agency also operates a conservation division for the training of conservators and conservation scientists.**



General timetable

Event:	Date:	Time:	Number of Persons:	Location:
Committee Meeting	Friday 27 th April 2018		12-15	Board room at the Conservation Division, Heritage Malta, Bighi (wifi provided)
Committee Meeting	Saturday 28 th April 2018		12-15	Hall within Forte St Elmo, Valletta (wifi provided)
Presidents' Meeting	Sunday 29 th April 2018		60-120	Hall within Forte St Elmo, Valletta (wifi provided)
General Assembly	Monday 30 th April 2018		45	Salon within the National Museum of Archaeology, Valletta
Reception	Monday 30 th April 2018		150	Within Forte St Elmo, Valletta (<i>The fireworks festival will be held over the harbour</i>)
Committee Meeting	Tuesday 1 st May 2018		12-15	Hall within Forte St Elmo, Valletta (wifi provided)
Site visits (pre-booked)	Tuesday 1 st May 2018			To be discussed with Heritage Malta events manager



Locations:



 Forte St Elmo



Figure 1: A general picture of the public entrance to the venue



Figure 2: The hall with the chimney will be hosting the General Assembly



Figure 3: Different perspectives of the Forte: the Parade ground, a view of the break water from the entrance vault and a view of the break water from one window with the 'gardiola' (corner guard post).

 **National Museum of Archaeology**



Figure 4: An image of its facade (found right opposite the Mac Donalds)



Figure 5: The Grand Salon currently being conserved



**E.C.C.O. meets Professional Bodies of Conservator-Restorers in
Europe at the Occasion of the European Cultural Heritage Year
2018**

Sunday, 29th April 2018,

The Grand Salon within the National Museum of Archaeology, Valletta, Malta

Preliminary Agenda

9:00	Registration	
9:15	Welcome by the Maltese Ministry of Justice, Culture and the Local Government	<i>Dr Owen Bonnici</i>
9:20	Welcome by E.C.C.O. President And Presentation of the Invited Participants	<i>Susan Corr (ICHAWI)</i>
9:30	Welcome by the Chairman of Heritage Malta	<i>Dr Joseph Buttigieg</i>
	Announcement of the European Cultural Heritage Year – Short Presentation of ECCO Vision	
10:30 – 10:50	COFFEE-BREAK	
10:50		
11:10		
11:25		
11:40		
11:50		
12:00	Discussion	
12:30	Short Presentations by Professional Bodies and Institutions - - - Discussion	



13:00 – 14:00	LUNCH	
	Short Presentations by Professional Bodies and Institutions - - - - Discussion	
15:30 – 16:00	COFFEE-BREAK	
16:00	Short Presentations by Professional Bodies and Institutions - - - - Discussion	
17:00 – 18:00	Round-table Discussion: - Europe-wide Issues Arising from the Meeting - Networking between European Professional Bodies and Related Institutions - European Conservator-Restorers Open Platform - Strategies for coming years	



Hotel offers:

Kindly note that the hotels presented below are not exhaustive but are those who responded with availability and price. Malta is a small island so various hotels in different locations are presented. The ones in Sliema and in Birgu can be reached from Valletta by bus or by ferry (the least time consuming). The one in Attard is just one bus away from Valletta and takes around 15-20 minutes to reach Valletta.

Hotel Name:	Address:	Available Rooms and Cost:	Contact:
Grand Hotel Excelsior - Malta	Great Siege Road, Floriana, FRN 1810, Malta	Deluxe inland room - €160 per night inclusive of breakfast and taxes on sole occupancy Supplement of €20 per night will apply for any second person sharing the room The eco tax of 0.50c per person per night is not included in the above room rate Kindly also be advised that above rates are subject to change.	Alexia Bugeja Corporate Sales Executive Direct Line: +356 2319 2110 Mobile: +356 7906 3962 Fax: +356 2125 0522 Email: alexia.bugeja@excelsior.com.mt Website: www.excelsior.com.mt
Corinthia Palace Hotel & Spa	De Paule Avenue, San Anton, Attard, BZN9023, Malta	Up to maximum of 60 Deluxe Rooms are available. Room Prices (per room per night): <u>Deluxe Rooms</u> Twin for sole use: €145 Twin for double use: € 165 <u>Executive Rooms</u> Twin for sole use: €195 Twin for double use: € 215 <u>Executive Suits</u> Twin for sole use: €245 Twin for double use: € 265 <u>Signature Suits</u> Twin for sole use: €475 Twin for double use: € 475 <i>(Full buffet breakfast included in room rate. VAT is included. ECO Tax of €0.50 per person per night is not included in the above rates and is charged to a maximum of €5.00 per person)</i>	Elena Micallef Borg (Group Sales Manager) Direct line: +356 2544 2730 Mobile: 9920 0288 Hotel: +356 2144 0301 Email: elena.micallefborg@corinthia.com Website: corinthia.com
Hotel Kennedy Nova	116, The Strand, Sliema Creek, Gzira, Malta	April 2018 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daily rate in a standard single room on BB basis – 65 Euro Daily rate in a harbour view single room on BB basis – 87 Euro 	JOSETTE SPITERI (SALES AND DISTRIBUTION) DIRECT LINE: (356) 2260 8811



		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daily rate in standard double/twin room on BB basis – 70 Euro Daily rate in a double/twin harbour view room on BB basis – 100 Euro <p>May 2018</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Daily rate in a standard single room on BB basis – 70 Euro Daily rate in a harbour view single room on BB basis – 100 Euro Daily rate in standard double/twin room on BB basis – 80 Euro Daily rate in a double/twin harbour view room on BB basis – 120 Euro 	<p>MOBILE: 99876904</p> <p>HOTEL: <u>+356 2260 8899</u></p> <p>E-MAIL: <u>reservations@kennedynova.com</u></p> <p>VISIT US AT: <u>WWW.KENNEDYNOVA.COM</u></p>
Locanda La Gelsomina	3 Triq Il-Kunsill Popolari, Birgu 1131, Malta	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suite 1 (double) - Euro 240 per night (https://www.locandalagelsomina.com/one/) Suite 2 (twin) - Euro 220 per night (https://www.locandalagelsomina.com/two/) Suite 3 (double) - Euro 240 per night (https://www.locandalagelsomina.com/three/) <p>Kindly note that the above rates are inclusive of daily gourmet breakfast and taxes (excluding the daily Environmental Contribution of Euro 0.50 per person per night).</p> <p><i>We would be delighted to offer a 10% discount on the above-quoted rack rates for both committee members and delegates. Kindly note that a minimum stay of 2 nights is required.</i></p>	<p>Rosella E.</p> <p>+356 2180 7897</p> <p>info@locandalagelsomina.com</p> <p>www.locandalagelsomina.com</p>
<p>My Hotels Malta</p> <p>-</p> <p>Carlton Hotel Sliema</p> <p>Europa Hotel Sliema</p> <p>Onyx Suites and Apartments</p> <p>Sliema Chalet</p>	48, Main Street, St Julians, Malta. STJ 1017.	<p>All offered rooms and prices are available in real-time through this link:</p> <p>https://www.thebookingbutton.co.uk/myhotels/property_groups/myhotelsmalta?utf8=%E2%9C%93&locale=en&start_date_view=27+Apr+2018&start_date=2018-04-27</p>	<p>Christina Pepper (Reservations Department)</p> <p>Hotel: <u>+356 2138 6357</u></p> <p>Fax: <u>+356 2133 4065</u></p>



<p>Hotel</p> <p>Sliema Marina Hotel</p> <p>St Julians Bay Hotel</p>			
<p>Palazzo Consiglia - Boutique Hotel</p>	<p>102, St Ursola Street, Valletta, VLT1234, Malta</p>	<p>Kindly be advised that there are 13 rooms at our Palazzo and for requested dates (27.04.-02.05.2018) our availabilities are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 Superior rooms in a preferential rate of 175.50 euro per night for Single occupancy and 189.00 euro for Double occupancy; • 5 Deluxe rooms in a preferential rate of 238.50 euro per night for Single occupancy and 256.50 euro for Double occupancy. <p>Breakfast, VAT, use of steam room and pool are included in the price.</p> <p>Deluxe categories include complimentary bottle of wine upon arrival, free mini bar replenished daily and 15% discount on beverage at our bar.</p> <p>Kindly note that bed set up can be Double or Twin in all of our rooms.</p>	<p>Kseniia (Palazzo Consiglia Team)</p> <p>Hotel: +356 2124 4222</p> <p>E-mail: info@palazzoconsiglia.com</p> <p>Website: www.palazzoconsiglia.com</p>
<p>Pebbles - Boutique Aparthotel</p>	<p>89 The Strand, Triq Ix - Xatt, Tas-Sliema SLM 1022</p>	<p>All offered rooms and prices are available in real-time through this link:</p> <p>https://www.booking-reservations.com/BE/default.aspx?tbe=BNE&sid=37b8364d-ed84-4aa2-b234-fd91c03de2c2&lng=en&checkin=27/04/2018&checkout=02/05/2018&rooms=1&adults=1&code=DIRECT10&src=&pb=1</p>	<p>Daniela Casha</p> <p>Aparthotel: 00356 21 311889</p> <p>Website: http://www.pebbleshotelmalta.com</p> <p>Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pebbleshotelmalta</p>
<p>ST Hotels</p> <p>Bayview Hotel and Apartments</p> <p>Blubay Apartments</p>	<p>Hotel rooms in the Bayview or Apartments in the Blubay that are in several buildings, all are approx. 350 meters away from</p>	<p>Below rates are per room per night excluding meals:</p> <p>€ 61.75 Twin room with inland view € 52.25 Single room with inland view € 84.90 Triple room with inland view</p> <p>Apartments € 52.25 Studio apartment for 1-2 persons € 57.00 One Bedroom apartment inland for 1-2 persons</p>	<p>Sylvia Falzon (Sales Groups)</p> <p>Direct: +356 2264 1512</p> <p>Mobile: +356 7922 8801</p>



<p>Sliema Hotel</p>	<p>the main hotel.</p> <p>Bayview Hotel & Apartments, 143, The Strand, Gzira-Sliema, GZR 1026</p> <p>Blubay Apartments, 50 Sir F. Ponsonby Street, Il-Gzira GZR107</p> <p>Sliema Hotel, 59, The Strand Sliema, Sliema, SLM1022</p>	<p>€ 80.75 Two bedroom apartment inland for 2-4 persons € 118.75 Three bedroom apartment inland for 3-6 persons</p> <p><u>View Supplements (per room - per night)</u> € 10.00 For side sea view upgrade for twin, single, triple rooms € 20.00 For sea view upgrade for twin, single, triple rooms € 25.00 For sea view upgrade for One & two bedroom apartments</p> <p><i>Eco Contribution of Euro 0.50 cents per day to a maximum of Euro 5.00 per person is payable on check in. 18 year and under are exempted from this tax.</i></p> <p><u>Meals supplements (when booked in advance with accommodation)</u> <u>Supplements are per person, per day (meals are served in the main Hotel)</u> € 06.00 Buffet Enriched Continental Breakfast € 15.00 Buffet Dinner 1 soft drinks with meals €1.55 per person ½ Litre Water with meals €1.00 per person ½ bottle of local wine at €1.50 per person Local beer at €2.55 per person Coffee / Tea / Hot Chocolate at €1.00 per person Glass of Juice at €1.30 per person</p> <p>Payment 30% deposit required on confirmation – non refundable 70% required 1 month prior arrival</p>	<p>E-mail: sales1@sthotelmalta.com</p> <p>Website: www.sthotelsmalta.com</p>
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Transportation recommendations

Malta is a small island and mainly depends on a bus, taxi or private service to get around (no underground or train services available). The public transport website may be a source of information to plan your trips and see the cost of tickets - <https://www.publictransport.com.mt/>



Airport to Valletta by Taxi

Taxis to Valletta from Malta airport are located just outside the arrivals terminal. Details of the fixed fares from the airport are available at the taxi desk in the arrivals hall, where you can pay in advance and hand a ticket to the driver. You can take a taxi to Valletta but don't forget to discuss and bargain the price in advance.

These were the fares at the time of research:

- Valletta/Floriana €15
- Sliema/St Julian's area €20



Airport to Valletta by Bus

When you arrive at Malta International Airport you can easily take a cheap bus to Valletta. Bus No. 'X4' runs from the bus stop outside the airport arrivals terminal to the main bus terminus in Valletta (passing through Luqa - Marsa - Hamrun - Floriana - Valletta). The duration of the ride is approximately 30 minutes. The service passes through the airport approximately every 20 minutes from 6:00 until 20:00. A one way Bus ticket from the Malta International Airport to Valletta costs €1.50. An Information and Sales Office' is found in the Arrivals Hall where you will be able to obtain further information on the Malta Public Transport services and to purchase the bus cards for immediate use.



Within Valletta

All locations are generally in walking distance. Within Valletta, smart electrical cabs provide an electric-powered taxi service for a flat fare of €5 (within the city) and €7 (peripheries of Valletta) for three people inside/outside the city walls. The smart electric cabs service within Valletta can be booked by calling (+356) 7741 4177. This service also provides city tours at €25 (35 minutes duration) for either inside or outer Valletta.

A romantic alternative is to use horse-drawn carriages known as Karozzin. Whatever means of transport you choose to adopt, you will find that Valletta is highly accessible, and the locals are always eager to show you the way.



Ferry service from Sliema or Bormla to/from Valletta

A ferry service is available from Sliema Ferries side to Marsamxett Harbour, Valletta and another ferry service is available from the Bormla/ Birgu dock. The ticket for the latter ferry service includes the use of the lift up to the Upper Barrakka which will make it easier to walk into Valletta.

The fares are:

- Adult Day Single: € 1.50
- Adult Day Return: € 2.80

• Night Service Commences @ 19.30



- **Adult Night Single: € 1.75 • Adult Night Return: € 3.30**
- Children Single: € 0.50 • Children Return: € 0.90
- 60+ ID Card Holders and Blue Badge Holders Single: € 0.50
- 60+ ID Card Holders and Blue Badge Holders Return: € 0.90
- Weekly pass valid for 7 consecutive days with unrestricted use on the purchased route € 10.00

FERRY SCHEDULE SLIEMA - VALLETTA - SLIEMA

Winter 01/11 - 31/05		Summer 01/06 - 31/10	
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VALLETTA FERRY SERVICES

Adults:
Day - Single: € 1.50
Day - Return: € 2.80

Children:
Single: € 0.50
Return: € 0.90

60+ ID Card Holders & Blue Badge Holders:
Single: € 0.50
Return: € 0.90

Weekly Pass:
Valid for seven (7) consecutive days
Unrestricted use: € 10.00

Frequent Traveller:
3 Months, 6 Months & Yearly tickets also available on request.

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Marsamxjetto Steamferry Services Ltd.
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www.vallettaferryservices.com

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The Networking Reception

This will be held at Fort St Elmo on Monday 30th April 2018. Finger foods and drinks will be provided. Weather permitting the guests will be entertained by a spectacular display of pyrotechnics (fireworks) over the grand Harbour, as the final evening of the Fireworks festive 2018. The following day, 1st May is a public holiday in Malta, in which the locals celebrate Workers' Day as well as commemorating the anniversary of Malta becoming a full members of the European Union.



Figure 6: Some photographs retrieved from the internet

