



**TERRA
MIRABILIS**
MELLIEħA MALTA 2012



Mellieħa - Casalborgone - Cugir - Vecpiebalga

ENVIRONMENTAL AND TERRITORIAL PROTECTION



Reference Program: Europe for Citizens' Programme -

ACTION 1 - Measure 1.2. Thematic networking of Twinned Towns

**2nd European Conference - "TERRA MIRABILIS - Environmental and
Territorial Protection"**

6th - 7th - 8th October 2012

PERGOLA HOTEL - Mellieħa (MALTA)

Daily Program - 2^o Conference:

1^o Day

Morning: arrival in Mellieħa (MT) of the 3 Delegations (IT, RO, LV)

Welcome light lunch at Pergola Hotel

Mellieħa - OPENING CONFERENCE - Session 1: "Developing Environment through Energy"

15:30 - Opening of the conference by Mellieħa Mayor, Robert Cutajar (MT)

16:00 - Speech by Minister of Resources and Rural Affairs Mr George Pullicino (MT)

16:10 - Speech by Francesco Cavallero - Mayor of Casalborgone (IT)

16:20 - Speech by Gabriella Bigatti - Referent for Terra Mirabilis Project - eConsulenza Agency (IT)

16:30 - Speech by Adrian Teban - Mayor of Cugir (RO)

16:40 - Speech by Ella Frivalde-Andersone - Mayor of Vecpiebalgas (LV)

16:50 - Coffee Break

17:05 - Guntars Zernis - Lawyer - Sustainable energy - sharing challenges with neighbours (LV)

17:30 - Rodica Florea - Cugir Town Local Councillor - Developing environment through energy (RO)



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17:55 - Paolo Sassone - Studio Sassone - New energy solutions for a sustainable environment - Casalborgone (IT)

18:20 - Godwin Sant- Chief Officer Climate Change Malta Resources Authority - Energy Policy for Malta - (MT)

18:45 - Question time/public debate

19:00 - Closing time

Dinner at Luna Holiday Complex and overnight stay in Mellieħa.

II° Day

Conference – Session 2: “RENEWABLE ENERGIES IN EUROPE”

09:30 - Introduction to the day's session

09:40 - Hugo Duksis - Executive director of Vecpiebalga Municipality - Renewable energy policy in Latvia (LV)

10:10 - Adrian Teban - Mayor of Cugir Town - Renewable energies in Europe (RO)

10:40 - Bernard Mallia - CEO Equinox Advisory - The local response to a global challenge - Renewables and energy at the municipality level (MT)

11:10 - Coffee Break

11:25 - Armando Bosso - Even - Photovoltaic: Italian experience (IT)

11:45 - Rubyanne Cauchi - Director Chi Consultants - Saving our children's future (MT)

12:20 - William Grech (Director, KOPIN) and Dominik Kalweit (Vice Director) - "*KOPIN's support to Ethiopian civil society in fostering sustainable community development*" (MT)

12:45 - Question time/public debate

13:00 - Closing time

Lunch at Mellieħa

Round tour Mellieħa

Dinner at Pergola Hotel and overnight stay in Mellieħa



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III° Day

Conference – Session 3: “Biodiversity. The variety and variability of nature. Nature conservation”

09:30 – Introduction to the day’s session

09:40 – Inese Asarite – Project manager of Vecpiebalga Municipality - Biodiversity and nature conservation in Latvia (LV)

10:05 – Ana-Maria Stoian – Projects coordinator Cugir Town - Biodiversity and nature conservation (RO)

10:30 – Martina Cilia – Student - Higher Giovanni Curmi Secondary school - Man's impact on one of the valleys of the Maltese islands, "Wied Ghajn Zejtuna " as a case study (MT)

10:55 - Coffee Break

11:10 – Daniele Scala – UNAAPI - Protection of honey bees for biodiversity conservation (IT)

11:30 – Darrin Stevens - Manager Eco-systems Malta Environment and Planning Authority - Bio Diversity - Mellieħa within the Maltese context (MT)

12:00 – Sammy Vella - Agronomist and Environmentalist - From catchphrase to benchmark. Recognition, Consolidation, Regeneration. (MT)

12:25 – Changeover for 3rd conference with Municipality of Casalborgone + closing speeches.

+ Tree planting activity at Family Park, Mellieħa commemorating Terra Mirabilis conference in Mellieħa.

Open air lunch in front of Selmun Palace (*weather permitting*)

Closing of the Conference

Afternoon: Departure of the foreign delegations. Return home.

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