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MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

2023 proved to be a positive year for the ELT industry in Malta. This positive outcome is the result of drive, passion, and commitment towards our shared mission of maintaining Malta's position as a global leader in ELT. As players in the local ELT industry, all schools and stakeholders must present a unified front for the benefit of everyone involved.

Our primary focus remains on ensuring quality and excellence. We achieve this by being proactive in nurturing the ELT profession and industry through direct measures aimed at effective regulation, support, and active collaboration. Although significant progress has been made by the ELT Council since its establishment in 2015, the team continues to strive to strengthen its functions to better serve all stakeholders.

The Council consistently plans initiatives proactively for the sector's overall benefit. It is also crucial to recognise the impact that each stakeholder has on the ELT industry's reputation and wellbeing and to underline the importance of maintaining legal and quality standards to preserve our competitive advantage and success. We are in this together, and any misstep would reflect negatively on all of us.

In the upcoming year, we will continue to prioritise professional development among industry players and teams, conduct research, and initiate programs aimed at addressing the current challenges faced by the industry. Additionally, we will ensure that all parties are fully compliant with legal obligations. We eagerly anticipate collaborating with you for another successful year.

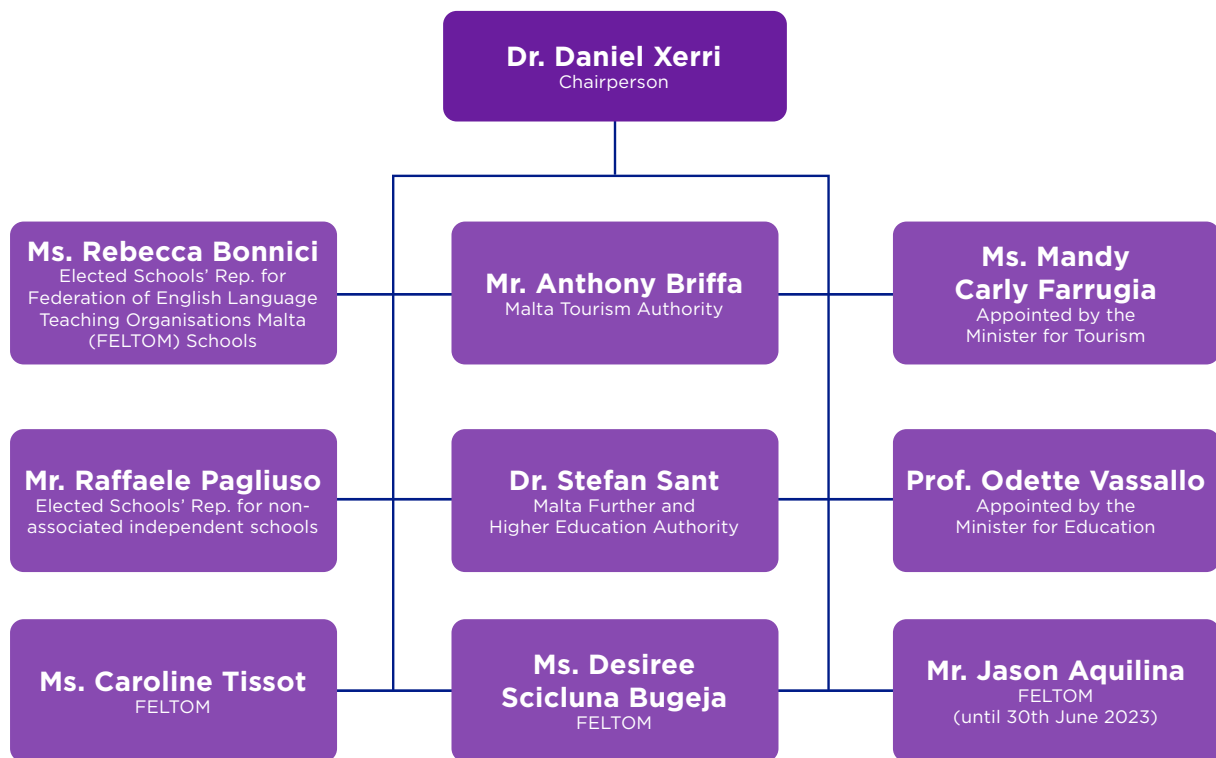
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Chief Executive Officer
ELT Council

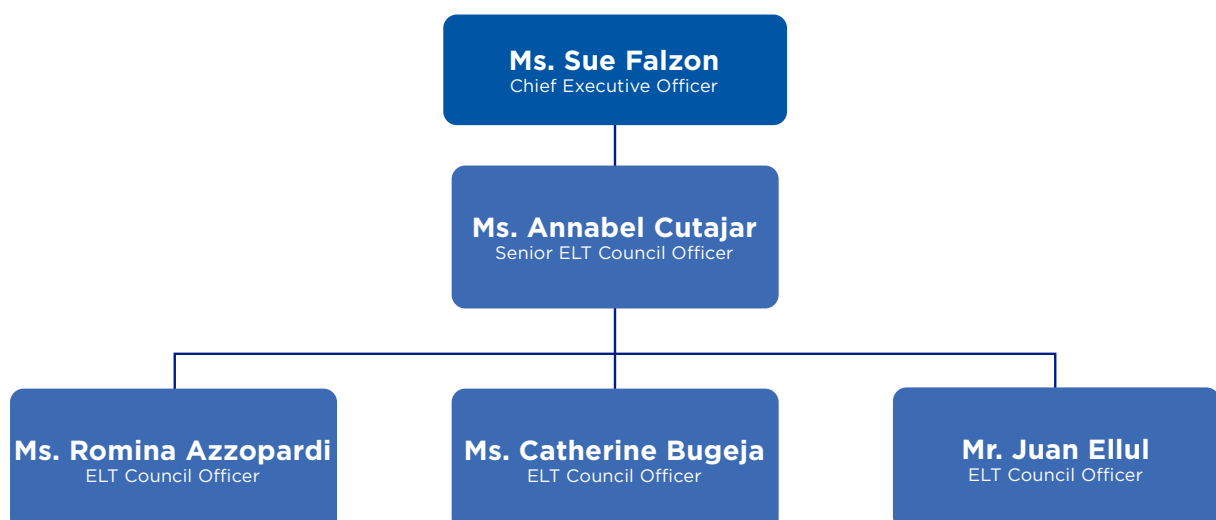
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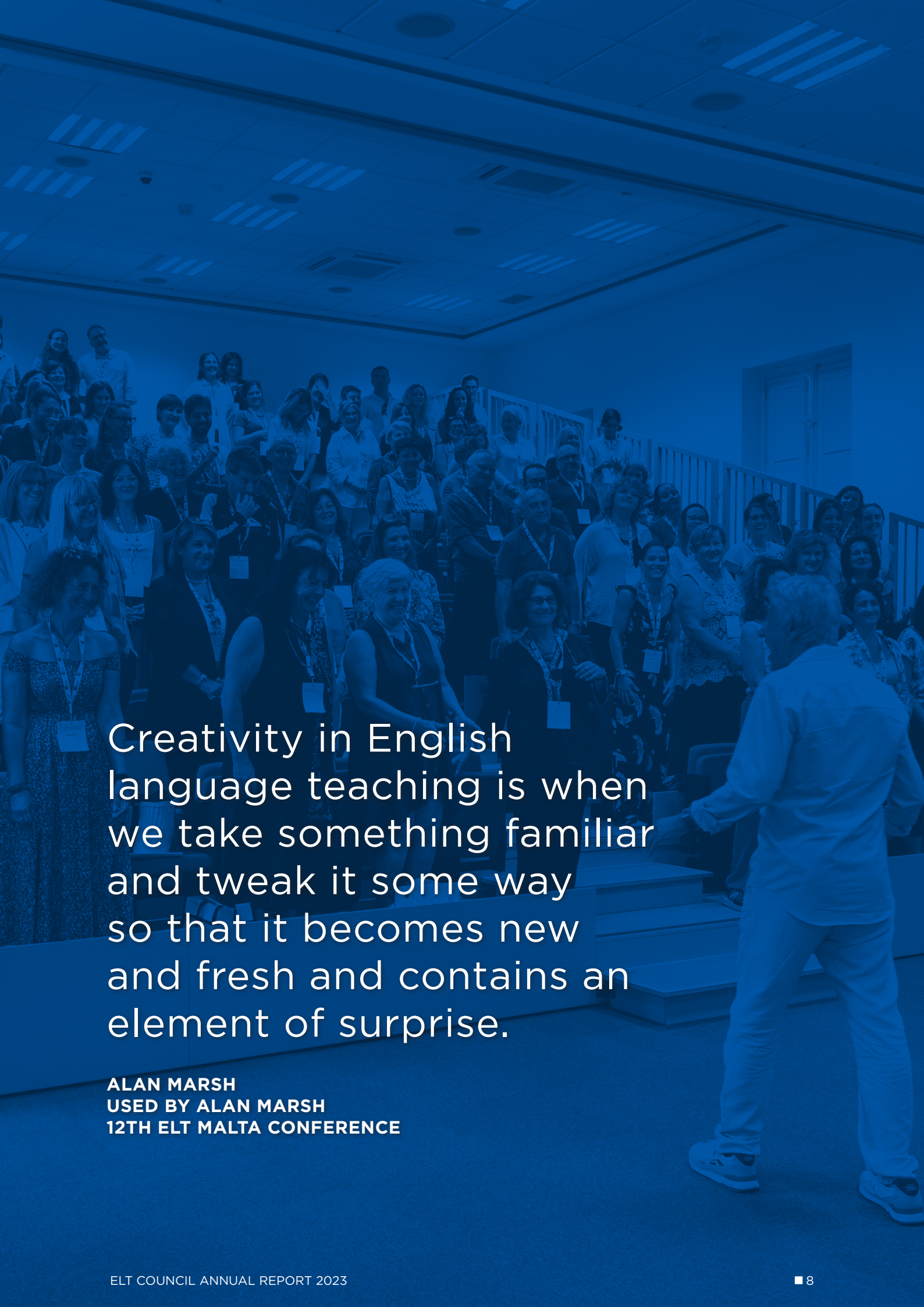
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CPD	Continuing Professional Development
DLP	Distance Learning Providers
ELT	English Language Teaching
EU	European Union
FELTOM	Federation of English Language Teaching Organisations Malta
HTP	Home Tuition Providers
ICEF	International Consultants for Education and Fairs
KSU	Kunsill Studenti Universitarji
MATESOL	Master of Arts in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages
MFHEA	Malta Further and Higher Education Authority
NSO	National Statistics Office
POMA	Protection of Minors Applications
SEPTT	Spoken English Proficiency Test for Teachers
TCN	Third Country Nationals
TEFL	Teaching English as a Foreign Language
TELT	Teacher Education and Learning to Teach

BOARD COMPOSITION



STAFF MEMBERS





Creativity in English language teaching is when we take something familiar and tweak it some way so that it becomes new and fresh and contains an element of surprise.

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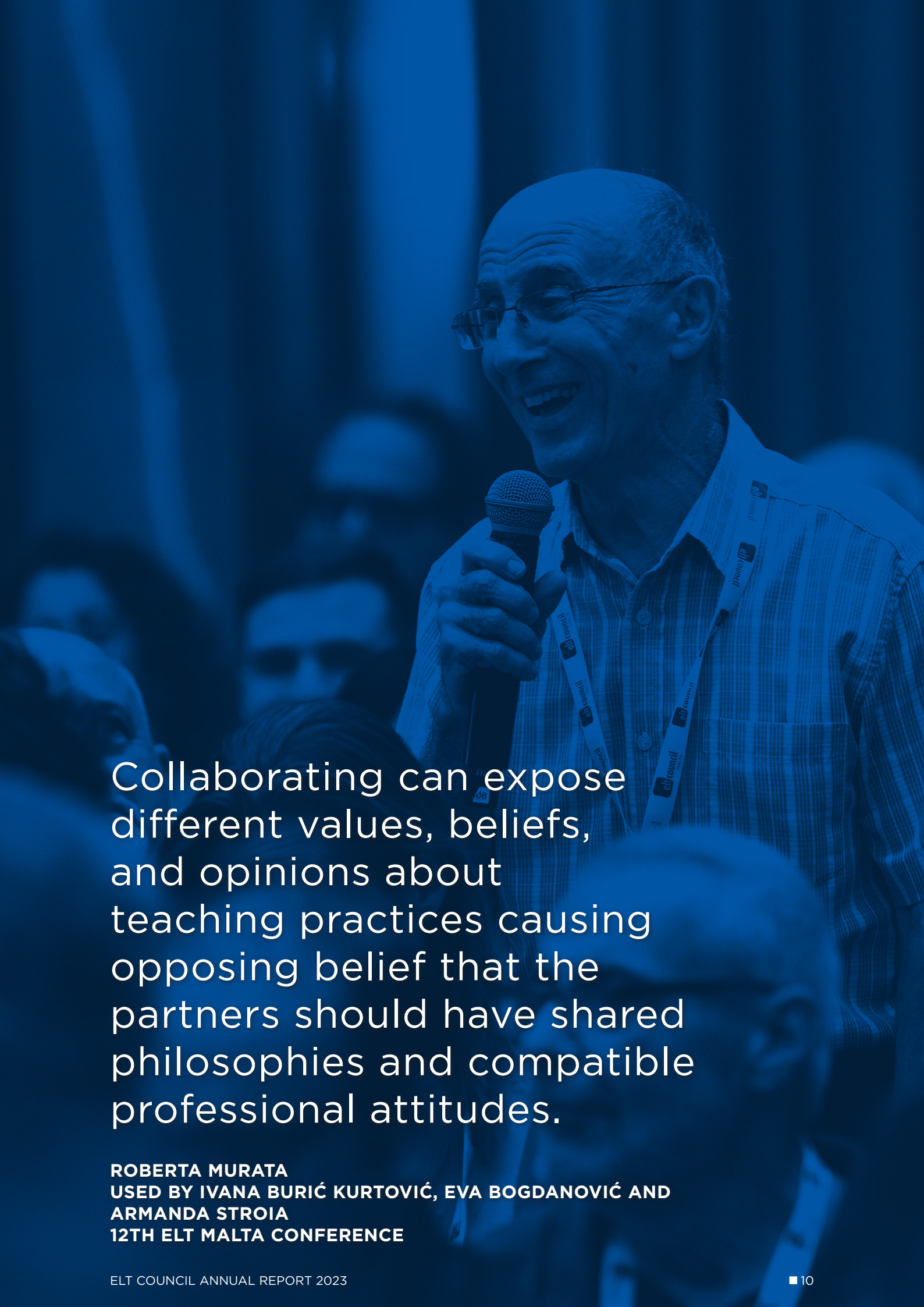
OVERVIEW

THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHING (ELT) COUNCIL IS ESTABLISHED

- To stimulate, promote and safeguard the ELT profession and encourage the proficient use of the English Language on a national basis;
- To upgrade standards in ELT teachers' qualifications and raise ELT to the level of a regulated profession;
- To maintain and operate quality assurance systems in all aspects of English Language stays that provide for periodic rigorous audits to assure compliance with established quality standards;
- To foster Malta's reputation as an international learning centre of repute in all aspects of ELT stays;
- To create a framework of ELT qualifications based on learning outcomes and referenced to the Malta Qualifications Framework in line with International and European Qualifications Networks;
- To establish and maintain statutory links between ELT and the tourism industry and between ELT and other public and private institutions to constitute an improved platform for further sustainable growth and to strengthen the already existing rapport;
- To ensure professional management, administrative and physical resources for the growing remit of the ELT Council by allocating to it suitably qualified and skilled human resources and commensurate premises that continually upgrade the profile of the Council in line with its increasing importance on the national economic level.

MISSION STATEMENT

THE MISSION OF THE ELT COUNCIL FOR ELT SCHOOLS IS TO FOSTER THE ELT PROFESSION AND INDUSTRY IN ALL ITS VARIOUS ASPECTS.

A photograph of a man with glasses, wearing a striped shirt and a lanyard, speaking into a microphone at a conference. The image is overlaid with a blue tint. The text is positioned on the left side of the image.

Collaborating can expose different values, beliefs, and opinions about teaching practices causing opposing belief that the partners should have shared philosophies and compatible professional attitudes.

**ROBERTA MURATA
USED BY IVANA BURIĆ KURTOVIĆ, EVA BOGDANOVIĆ AND
ARMANDA STROIA
12TH ELT MALTA CONFERENCE**

QUALITY ASSURANCE

The ELT Council has established comprehensive Quality Assurance processes in pursuance of two of its key functions to:

- i. maintain and operate quality assurance systems in all aspects of English Language stays that provide for periodic rigorous audits to assure compliance with established quality standards;
- ii. foster Malta's reputation as an international learning centre of repute in all aspects of ELT stays.

MONITORING EXERCISE

A Schools' Visit policy is in place and all Schools are visited at least once every two years. Each visit covers both regulatory compliance matters and academic aspects. Visits this year were held between July and September 2023. An announced visit is held in all licensed ELT operations once every two years, therefore schools visited in 2022 were not visited in 2023. Schools were contacted by a Monitoring Officer to schedule a visit. The scope of the visits is to confirm legal compliance of the operator, provide an opportunity for improvement as well as to enhance the quality of the ELT Industry in Malta.

LIST OF SCHOOLS VISITED IN 2023

	Name of School	Address
1.	Ace English Malta	Bay Street Complex, Level 4, St. George's Bay, St. Julian's, STJ 3311
2.	Am Language	299, Triq Manwel Dimech, Sliema, SLM 1054
3.	Ascencia Malta Ltd	23, Vincenzo Dimech Street, Floriana
4.	Atlas Language School	Alamein Road, Pembroke
5.	Bels Malta	550 West, St. Paul's Street, St. Paul's Bay
6.	Cavendish School of English	124, Melita Street, Valletta, VLT1123

7.	EC Malta	Marguerite Mangion Street, St. Julian's, STJ 3180
8.	EF International Language Campuses - Malta	The Mayfair Business Centre, Lower St. Augustine Street, St. George's Bay, St. Julian's, STJ 3312
9.	English Domain	Domain Building, 102/104, Constitution Street, Mosta, MST 9055
10.	Executive Training Institute (ETI Malta)	ESE Building, Paceville Avenue, St. Julian's, STJ 3103
11.	GV Malta English Centre	St. George's Street, St. Paul's Bay, SPB 3476
12.	Inlingua School of Languages	92, Tigne Street, Sliema, SLM 3172
13.	INTERNATIONAL HOUSE MALTA	128, Triq is-Sirk, Swieqi, SWQ 3211
14.	Link School of English	88/90, Triq it-Tiben, Swieqi, SWQ 3034
15.	Maltalingua School of English	2, Birkirkara Hill, St. Julian's, STJ 1141
16.	Sprachcaffe Languages Plus	6, Alamein Road, Pembroke, PBK 1776
17.	Unilang International School of Languages	Workers' Memorial Building, South Street, Valletta
18.	EEC-ITIS Malta Tourism & Languages Institute	9, EEC - ITIS Building, Triq San Pietru, San Gwann, SGN 2310
19.	Gateway School of English (GSE)	1, Bosfru Street, San Gwann (St. Julian's)
20.	Seal Malta	58, Tower Tinghi Street, Xewkija, Gozo

LIST OF ANNEXES VISITED IN 2023

	Name of School/Annexe	Address
1.	Aclass Academy of English	STC Higher Education Block A, Alamein Road, Pembroke
2.	Institute of English Language Studies (IELS)	Stella Maris College, San Albert Street, Gzira

LIST OF HOME TUITION PROVIDERS VISITED IN 2023

Home Tuition Provider/s		Address
1.	Ta' Oneira	Tranquility, Triq Liberat Grech, Xaghra

SPOT-CHECKS

Unannounced spot checks have been conducted by the ELT Council officers with the aim of ensuring that all legal requirements are being met, and to re-confirm quality standards and high levels of performance in the local ELT industry. All reports are treated as confidential, and all inspectors enter into a signed agreement with the Council to safeguard confidentiality before, during and after the inspection.

LIST OF SCHOOLS VISITED IN 2023

Name of School		Address
1.	A Class Academy of English	St. Catherine's High School, 11, Suffolk Road, Pembroke, PBK 1901
2.	Berlitz English Language Academy	151, Edgar Bernard Street, Gzira, GZR 1707
3.	School of English Malta	8, Magazines Street, Floriana, FRN 1119
4.	Malta University Language School (MULS)	Campus Hub, Block O, Level 6 University of Malta Tal-Qroqq, Msida
5.	Easy School of Languages	21, St. Ursula Street, Valletta, VLT 1230
6.	BSC Young Learners Malta	Campus Hub, The Three Arches, Valletta Road, Mosta
7.	NSTS English Language Institute	2, Taliana Lane, Gzira, GZR 1723

LIST OF ANNEXES VISITED IN 2023

Name of Annexe		Address
1.	GV Malta English Centre	GV Malta Summer Camp, Archbishop's Seminary, 90, Triq il-Virtù, Rabat



Success [in language learning] depends less on materials, techniques and linguistic analysis and more on what goes on inside and between the people in the classroom.

**EARL STEVICK
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12TH ELT MALTA CONFERENCE**

POLICIES, PROCEDURES AND FORMS

FREE CPD SESSIONS ORGANISED BY THE ELT COUNCIL IN 2023

	Session Title	Duration	Date	Attendees	Trainer
1.	ELTC.35 - To assess or not to assess, that is the question.	4 hours	19/01/2023	78	Richard Twigg
2.	ELTC.36 - The Power of Valuing Yourself and Others	4 hours	09/02/2023	81	Adrian Xuereb Archer
3.	ELTC.37 - Teaching the 4 Skills	4 hours	23/02/2023	91	Richard Twigg
4.	ELTC.38 - Building Your Self-Care Muscle	4 hours	02/03/2023	96	Adrian Xuereb Archer
5.	ELTC.39 - Digital Tools and Artificial Intelligence	4 hours	16/03/2023	108	Kevin Spiteri
6.	ELTC.40 - Engagement and Motivation during an Engagement Crisis (in person)	4 hours	30/03/2023	8	Kevin Spiteri
7.	ELTC.41 - Decoding Our Emotions Part 1	4 hours	13/04/2023	79	Louise Cortis
8.	ELTC.42 - Decoding Our Emotions Part 2	4 hours	26/04/2023	59	Louise Cortis
9.	ELTC.43 - Game-Based Teaching	4 hours	24/05/2023	93	Kevin Spiteri
10.	ELTC.44 - Motivation, Learning, and a bit of Neuroscience	4 hours	31/05/2023	56	Richard Twigg

11.	ELTC.45 - Doctoral CPD (in person)	6 hours	08/07/2023	66	Matt Done and Sara Mercer
12.	ELTC.46 - Business English for ELT Classrooms	4 hours	25/11/2023	64	Marjorie Rosenberg

CPD IN 2023

The ELT Council received 11 CPD courses for approval. Of these, 8 CPD courses were approved for clients, namely private schools, and freelancers, while 3 are still in the process of being approved. There were no rejected CPD courses.

TEACHER EDUCATION AND LEARNING TO TEACH (TELT)

There were four TELT sessions in 2023: March, May, July, November.

Grade	March	May	July	November
Distinction	0	1	0	0
Pass with Merit	5	1	2	6
Pass	10	13	13	17
Narrow Fail	3	4	3	9
Fail	1	2	4	0
Unclassified	0	1	1	0
Absent	9	3	4	3
Revision of Paper	0	0	0	0

Do you play games?

What do you play?
 How often do you play?
 Why do you play?
 Do you play alone or with someone else?
 Do you use games during your lessons?



Motivation

Motivation is the desire to act in service of a goal. It's the crucial element in setting and attaining our objectives. Motivation is one of the driving forces behind human behaviour. It fuels competition and sparks social connection. Its absence can lead to mental illnesses such as depression.

OVERVIEW

Online discussion boards: padlet, Flip

Collaborative document editing: Google Docs, OneDrive

Video and conferencing platforms: zoom, Microsoft Teams, Webex

Interactive presentation tools: Pear Deck, ELAS Flow



SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED TEFL AWARD COURSES IN 2023

	Name of School/Provider	Date of Course	Successful Students
1	EF International Language Campuses – Malta	13/02/2023 – 23/03/2023 (face-to-face)	13 students
2	European School of English (ESE)	21/02/2023 – 30/03/2023 (face-to-face)	8 students
3	Online TEFL Teacher	14/03/2023 – 13/04/2023 (online)	9 students
4	NSTS English Language Institute	03/04/2023 – 21/04/2023 (online)	10 students
5	European School of English (ESE)	03/04/2023 – 14/04/2023 (face-to-face)	14 students
6	EF International Language Campuses – Malta	03/04/2023 – 14/04/2023 (face-to-face)	13 students
7	Online TEFL Teacher	29/05/2023 – 28/06/2023 (online)	13 students
8	European School of English (ESE)	05/06/2023 – 16/06/2023 (face-to-face)	18 students
9	EF International Language Campuses – Malta	16/10/2023 – 23/11/2023 (face-to-face)	15 students
10	European School of English (ESE)	02/10/2023 – 08/11/2023 (face-to-face)	10 students
11	Online TEFL Teacher	04/09/2023 – 05/10/2023 (online)	12 students
12	Online TEFL Teacher	06/11/2023 – 07/12/2023 (online)	12 students
13	NSTS English Language Institute	09/10/2023 – 03/11/2023 (online)	5 students

152 students have successfully completed a TEFL Award Course in 2023.

To teach English as a Foreign Language in Malta as per Legal Notice 221 of 2015, one must be in possession of an English Language Teaching Permit. The table presented below indicates the quantity of ELT permits that have been issued and renewed.

ELT PERMITS

To teach English as a Foreign Language in Malta as per Legal Notice 221 of 2015, one must be in possession of an ELT Permit.

Number of Permits Issued and Renewed in 2023	
ELT Permits	157
Renewals	120
Temporary Permits	148
Temporary Renewals	32
Total Permits Issued	457

One of the requirements to obtain an ELT Permit is the Spoken English Proficiency Test for Teachers (SEPTT). The SEPTT is designed to ensure high levels of spoken English proficiency amongst English Language Teaching (ELT) practitioners working in a variety of international contexts. The table presented below indicates how many applications the ELT Council received, as well as how many applicants passed and failed the test.

SEPTT Sessions 2023		Applicants	Absent	Successful	Failed
1.	31st January 2023	20	1	18	1
2.	28th February 2023	12	3	8	1
3.	28th March 2023	28	5	22	1
4.	25th April 2023	31	7	24	0
5.	30th May 2023	23	2	21	0
6.	27th June 2023	26	7	16	3
7.	25th July 2023	13	3	9	1
8.	29th August 2023	22	2	19	1
9.	26th September 2023	10	3	7	0
10.	31st October 2023	9	1	8	0
11.	28th November 2023	20	1	18	1
	Total	214	35	170	9

ELT COUNCIL MEETING DATES

- 11th January 2023
- 16th March 2023
- 27th April 2023
- 12th June 2023
- 18th July 2023
- 03rd October 2023
- 21st November 2023

ACCOMMODATION

The Registered Places of the Accommodation to be used by schools were:

Residences	Apartments	Hotel Providers	Total Registered Places for Accommodation
13	120	47	180



INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

MEETINGS WITH ELT SCHOOLS

Date	Meeting Subject	In Collaboration
28th November 2023	National Statistics Office (NSO)	NSO
27th June 2023	Employing Foreign Workers	Identità
04th December 2023	End of Year Meeting	Deloitte

LICENSED ELT SCHOOLS AS OF DECEMBER 2023

	Licence No.	Name of School	Address
1.	264	A Class Academy of English	St. Catherine's High School, 11, Suffolk Road, Pembroke, PBK 1901
2.	278	ACE English Malta	Bay Street Complex, Level 4, St. George's Bay, St. Julian's, STJ 3311
3.	161	Alpha School of English	Arznell Street, St. Paul's Bay, SPB 3232
4.	143	am Language Studio	299, Triq Manwel Dimech, Sliema, SLM 1054
5.	295/ELT55	Asencia Malta Ltd	23, Vincenzo Dimech Street, Floriana
6.	290/ELT50	Atlas Language School	Alamein Road, Pembroke
7.	207	BELS Gozo	Triq ta' Doti, Kercem, KCM 1721 Gozo
8.	269	BELS Malta	550 West, St. Paul's Street, St. Paul's Bay

9.	125	Berlitz English Language Academy	151, Edgar Bernard Street, Gzira, GZR 1707
10.	277	Cavendish School of English	124, Melita Street, Valletta, VLT1123
11.	232	Clubclass Language School	104, Triq is-Sidra, Swieqi, SWQ 3150
12.	247	EASY School of Languages	21, St. Ursula Street, Valletta, VLT 1230
13.	158	EC Malta	Marguerite Mangion Street, St. Julian's, STJ 3180
14.	231	EF International Language School - Malta	The Mayfair Business Centre, Lower St. Augustine Street, St. George's Bay, St. Julian's, STJ 3312
15.	291/ELT51	EEC-ITIS Malta Tourism & Languages Institute	9, EEC - ITIS Building, Triq San Pietru, San Gwann, SGN 2310
16.	268	English Domain	Domain Building, 102/104, Constitution Street, Mosta, MST 9055
17.	293/ELT53	English Path Malta	West Block, Level 5/6, Marguerite Mangion Street, St, Julian's
18.	209	European School of English (ESE)	ESE Building, Paceville Avenue, St. Julian's, STJ 3103
19.	267	Executive Training Institute (ETI Malta)	ESE Building, Paceville Avenue, St. Julian's, STJ 3103
20.	241	Gateway School of English (GSE)	1, Bosfru Street, San Gwann (St. Julian's)
21.	121	GV Malta English Centre	St. George's Street, St. Paul's Bay, SPB 3476
22.	127	Inlingua School of Languages	92, Tigne Street, Sliema, SLM 3172
23.	150	Institute of English Language Studies (IELS)	Mattew Pulis Street, Sliema, SLM 3052
24.	242	International House Malta	Triq id-Dragnara, Paceville San Ġiljan STJ3141
25.	283	LSC London School of Commerce Malta	3rd Floor, Europa Centre, St. Anne Street, Floriana, FRN 9020
26.	270	Malta University Language School	Campus Hub, Block O, Level 6 University of Malta, Tal-Qroqq, Msida

27.	275	Maltalingua School of English	2, Birkirkara Hill, St. Julian's, STJ 1141
28.	144	NSTS English Language Institute	12, Taliana Lane, Gzira, GZR 1723
29.	263	School of English Malta	8, Magazines Street, Floriana, FRN 1119
30.	288/ELT48	SEAL Malta	58, Tower Tinghi Street, Xewkija, Gozo
31.	162	Sprachcaffe Languages PLUS	6, Alamein Road, Pembroke, PBK 1776
32.	249	Unilang International School of Languages	Workers' Memorial Building, South Street, Valletta

LICENSED SCHOOL ANNEXES

“School Annexe” means any building, not contiguous to the School Premises, in whole or in part, howsoever described temporarily or permanently ordained toward ELT by the school and approved for the purpose by the Council prior to use.

	Licence No	School Name	Annexe Address
1.	278/02	ACE English Malta	L-Iskola Nazzjonali tal-Isport, Triq Jum Pembroke, Pembroke, Is-Swieqi, Malta
2.	264/01	AClass Academy of English	STC Higher Education Block A, Alamein Road, Pembroke
3.	143/02	am Language Studio	67, High Street, Sliema
4.	158/03	EC Malta	St. Martin's College, Swatar Road, Swatar
5.	231/01	EF International Language Campuses - Malta	St. George's Beach, No. 95, St. George's Road, St. Julian's STJ 3206
6.	231/02	EF International Language Campuses - Malta	G.F. Abela Junior College, Ġużé Debono Square, Msida
7.	293/01	English Path	L-Iskola Nazzjonali tal-Isport, Triq Jum Pembroke, Pembroke, Is-Swieqi, Malta
8.	209/01	European School of English	Salini Resort, Salina Bay, Salina
9.	121/01	GV Malta English Centre	GV Malta Summer Camp, Archbishop's Seminary, 90, Triq il-Virtù, Rabat

10.	127/01	Inlingua School of Languages Malta	Inlingua, The Ferries Business Center, 9, Guzi Fava Lane, Sliema, SLM 1632
11.	150/04	Institute of English Language Studies (IELS)	Stella Maris College, San Albert Street, Gzira
12.	242/01	International House Malta	International House, Young Learner Summer Programme, Paradise Bay Resort Hotel, Cirkewwa
13.	166/01	Link School of English	Edera, 121, Triq is-Sirk, Swieqi, SWQ 3210
14.	275/04	Maltalingua School of English	Maria Regina College Qawra Primary, Triq il-Port Ruman, Qawra
15.	275/03	Maltalingua School of English	L1-10 at Park Towers Mall (opposite the main school)
16.	162/01	Sprachcaffe Languages PLUS	Parish Pastoral Centre, Misrah il-Paci, Pembroke

DISTANCE LEARNING PROVIDERS (DLP)

The ELT Council did not issue any DLP licenses in 2023.

	Licence No.	Distance Learning Provider
1.	DLP21.01	Online TEFL Teacher

HOME TUITION PROVIDERS (HTP)

In 2023, the ELT Council issued one HTP license.

	Licence No.	Home Tuition Provider
1.	HTP23.01	Ta' Oneira

ADMINISTRATION

COMMUNICATION

The administration department is responsible for ensuring the smooth day to day running of the Council by answering all the queries that arise. The Council also acts as the primary contact with stakeholders by organising events such as conferences, meetings, and award ceremonies; by issuing newsletters, answering queries via telephone and emails. Compiling and drafting data for the annual report are also part of the tasks that the department undertakes.

PREMISES

This year, the ELT Council relocated its offices to Pembroke, with the new address being Bice Mizzi Vassallo Complex, Alamein Road, Pembroke, Malta.

PROCUREMENT AND TENDERS

The procurement function, overseen by the administration department, involves not only acquiring supplies but also monitoring their availability. Part of the administrative duties includes ensuring compliance with Financial and Public Procurement Regulations concerning all expenditures.

HUMAN RESOURCES INITIATIVES

The ELT Council top management organised a team-building event in October aimed at improving communication and fostering teamwork. The event, consisting of collaborative activities and challenges, provided an opportunity for team members to interact in a non-work setting. This initiative enhanced communication skills, deepened understanding of each other's strengths, and built a more cohesive team dynamic.

As part of the Continuous Professional Development, the ELT Council encourages its employees to attend conferences, and seminars. This will help to keep abreast with the ongoing developments within the English Language Teaching sector and governmental procedures. Attending such events offers a brilliant opportunity for enhancing knowledge, skills and experience, networking and bringing helpful and valuable information back to the Council.

SECTORAL INITIATIVES

The ELT Council attended the following events for the industry.

	Organisation	Name of event
1.	KSU	The KSU x PWC Careers EXPO
2.	KSU	KSU Freshers' Week 2023
3.	ICEF	ICEF Berlin
4.	EXPOLINGUA Berlin	Students Languages Fair
5.	FELTOM	FELTOM Workshop
6.	ICEF Berlin	Business to Business Expo

M.A. IN APPLIED LINGUISTICS AND TESOL (MATESOL) SPONSORSHIP

The ELT Council offered 5 scholarships to applicants who successfully enrolled on the University of Malta's (UM) M.A. in Applied Linguistics & TESOL programme in 2023. Each scholarship covered the full tuition fees (€4,800) of the programme, which may be completed on a full or part-time basis.

Number of applications received	Applications not eligible	Scholarships Awarded	Withdrawn	Number of accepted applications	Total awarded amount (€)
6	0	5	1	5	24,000

WORKING GROUPS

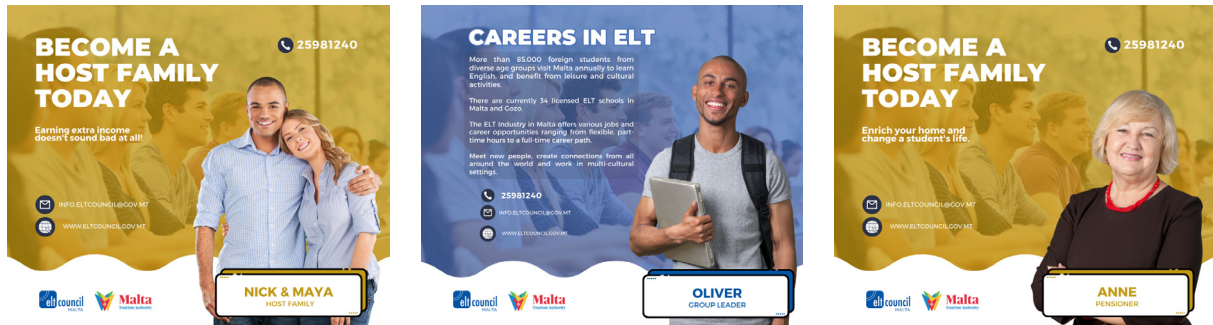
TEACHERS' CAMPAIGN WORKING GROUPS

Two working groups were established. One working group worked on the enhancement of the ELT industry with the goal of increasing the teaching staff. The members of this group included Mr. Keith Borg, Ms. Jean Bonnici, Mr. Robert Johnson, Mr. Raffaele Pagliuso, Ms. Sue Falzon, Ms. Amanda Vassallo, and Mr. Daniel Vella.

The second working group, comprised of seven members, concentrated on the topics of Host

Families and Work Study Visas. The purpose of this working group was to bring together the ideas presented by the participants. The members included Mr. Julian Cassar Torregiani, Ms. Lily Hu Lenferna De la Motte, Ms. Alejandra Lopez, Mr. Raffaele Pagliuso, Ms. Marian Bityakova, Ms. Caroline Tissot, and Mr. Ian Scerri.

Meetings took place in January, March, and April 2023. The campaign spanned three weeks, involving radio advertisements as well as promotions on *Gwida*, *MaltaToday*, and *Times of Malta*. The cost of the campaign amounted to €20,000.00 which was done in collaboration with Malta Tourism Authority.



INSPIRING ELT PROFESSIONAL AWARD WORKING GROUP

The Inspiring ELT Professional Award Working Group, chaired by Dr. Odette Vassallo, includes industry and council members. Two meetings were held for this working group to evaluate the 27 nominations received for this award.



10th Inspiring ELT Professional Award winner (2023): Ms Mahalakshmi Swamy Prasad

Each year, the ELT Council staff collects nominations for the ELT Professional Awards, which are then thoroughly vetted by a specific working group. The winner is not only chosen based on the number of nominations received, but also on his or her actual merits.

FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT FOR ELT STUDENTS

The ELT Malta Industry organised a football tournament for ELT students learning English in Malta on the 26th of November 2023. This event was supported by the ELT Council, FELTOM and AVC.



TEFL AWARD COURSE SPONSORSHIP

To assist with increasing the pool of available ELT teachers, the ELT Council has sponsored the TEFL Award Course for students who just obtained a pass in their English A Level in 2023.

Number of accepted applications	Withdrawn	Total awarded amount (€)
26	1	7,471.00

MARKET RESEARCH

In support of the ELT industry, the ELT Council has dedicated a portion of this year's funds, amounting to EUR 10,620.00, for a targeted initiative. The selection of research areas is a result of a needs analysis, incorporating feedback received from ELT Schools.

Deloitte has been commissioned the task to develop research on:

- ELT Talent Retention and Attractiveness Survey- focusing on educators
- Comparative Analysis Engagement- Pricing vis-à-vis competitor countries

TEACHERS' CARDS

During 2023, the ELT Council issued 268 Teachers' Cards to the teachers whose ELT Permit had been renewed/or applied for the New ELT Permit. This card entitles them to various discounts from various Publishers, Spas, Malta Experience and The Esplora. These are Book Distributors

Limited, Buzzer Stationers and Publishers, Esplora Interactive Science Centre, Forestals, Malta National Aquarium, Merlin Library, Myoka SPAS, The Malta Experience, U Bistrot and NAAR-RestoBar.

IDENTITÀ

The office services at the central focal point for the ELT Industry for IDENTITÀ in relation to processing of visas and renewals of TCN's arriving to Malta for an ELT course. The number of TCN students requesting visa extensions in 2023 was 3,156.

MIGRANT LEARNERS PROGRAMME

The ELT Council is sponsoring two teachers who are conducting after-school classes for Third Country Nationals attending San Bastjan Primary School.

POMA

140 Permits and Renewals were filed for Rikors purposes with the Attorney General's office.

OTHER

Liaison with all necessary entities, stakeholders vis-à-vis sectoral issues.



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