



# Annual Report 2025

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## CEO's Statement

### Reflections and aspirations for the year ahead

The past year marked another significant chapter for the ELT industry in Malta. As we reflect on our progress, we do so with a sense of pride, responsibility, and renewed ambition. While the industry continues to evolve in response to global trends and expectations, our collective commitment to quality, professionalism, and collaboration has remained steadfast.

2026 is particularly meaningful as we celebrate the 15th edition of the ELT Malta Conference — a milestone that reflects fifteen years of professional development, innovation, and shared purpose. What began as a platform for exchange has grown into a respected international event, showcasing Malta's maturity as an ELT destination and reinforcing our standing within the global ELT community. This anniversary is not only a moment to celebrate how far we have come, but also an opportunity to reaffirm our leadership and vision for the future.

At the heart of this vision lies our unwavering commitment to quality. The introduction of the new monitoring visits policy represents a pivotal step forward for the sector. This updated system strengthens transparency, consistency, and accountability across the industry, ensuring that all students studying English in Malta receive an experience that meets the highest standards of care and educational excellence. It is a clear statement of intent — one that demonstrates to the world that Malta does not merely comply with quality expectations, but actively leads in defining and upholding them.

As we look ahead, the ELT Council will continue to implement strategic initiatives that support the sector's long-term growth and sustainability. Updating key policies, reinforcing regulatory frameworks, and supporting international engagement remain central to our work. Each stakeholder has a vital role to play in safeguarding the industry's reputation and resilience, as any lapse in standards impacts the collective strength of the sector.

Our shared mission of maintaining Malta's position as a trusted and respected global ELT destination remains paramount. Through unity, innovation, and a shared sense of responsibility, we are confident that the industry will continue to thrive.

Together, we can achieve excellence.

### **Ms Sue Falzon**

Chief Executive Officer  
ELT Council

## List of Acronyms

**CALECS:** Centre for Academic Literacies & English Communication Skills

**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

**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:** Test for English Language Teachers

**VFS:** Visa Facilitation Services



## Council Composition

**Prof. Daniel Xerri**  
Chairperson

## Council Members

**Ms Jessica Rees-Jones**  
FELTOM CEO

**Mr Karl Farrugia Wismayer**  
Representative for FELTOM Schools

**Mr Raffaele Pagliuso**  
Representative for Non-Associated Schools

**Ms Xiaolong (Monica) Wu**  
Malta Tourism Authority

**Dr Stefan Sant**  
MFHEA

**Ms Stephania Cuschieri**  
FELTOM

**Prof. Odette Vassallo**  
Appointed by the Minister for Education and Employment

**Ms Mandy Carly Farrugia**  
Appointed by the Minister for Tourism

## ELT Council Team

**Ms Sue Falzon**  
Chief Executive Officer

**Ms Annabel Cutajar**  
Senior ELT Council Officer

**Ms Romina Azzopardi**  
ELT Council Officer

**Ms Catherine Bugeja**  
ELT Council Officer

**Mr Juan Ellul**  
ELT Council Officer



## 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.

## 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 May and September 2025. An announced visit is held in all licensed ELT operations once every two years, therefore schools visited in 2024 were not visited in 2025. 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. 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. This year, the Council visited 17 schools, 1 home tuition provider and 4 annexes.

### List of Schools Visited in 2025

|    | Name of School                             | Address  |
|----|--|--|
| 1  | ACE English Malta                          | Bay Street Complex, Level 4, St George's Bay, St Julian's                            |
| 2  | AM Language                                | 299, Triq Manwel Dimech, Sliema  |
| 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  | BSC Learners Malta (BSC Malta)             | Palazzo Capua, George Borg Olivier Street, Sliema                                    |
| 7  | Cavendish School of English                | 124, Melita Street, Valletta   |
| 8  | Clubclass English Language Campus          | 104, Triq is-Sidra, Swieqi, St Julian's  |
| 9  | EC Malta                                   | Marguerite Mangion Street, St Julian's   |
| 10 | EF International Language Campuses – Malta | The Mayfair Business Centre, Lower St Augustine Street, St George's Bay, St Julian's |
| 11 | English Domain                             | Domain Building, 102/104, Constitution Street, Mosta                                 |
| 12 | Executive Training Institute (ETI Malta)   | ESE Building, Paceville Avenue, St Julian's  |
| 13 | Future Focus School of English             | 8, Magazines Street, Floriana  |
| 14 | GV Malta English Centre                    | St George's Street, St Paul's Bay  |
| 15 | Inlingua School of Languages               | 92, Tigne Street, Sliema   |
| 16 | Maltalingua School of English              | 2, Birkirkara Hill, St Julian's  |
| 17 | Sprachcaffe Languages PLUS                 | 6, Alamein Road, Pembroke  |

## List of Annexes Visited in 2025

|   | Name of School                               | Address   |
|---|--|---|
| 1 | AM Language                                  | Annexe 2 - 112, Triq Manwel Dimech, Sliema                                |
| 2 | Institute of English Language Studies (IELS) | IELS Gzira Annexe - Stella Maris College, San Albert Street, Gzira        |
| 3 | Sprachcaffe Languages PLUS                   | Pembroke Parish Annexe - Parish Pastoral Centre, Misrah il-Paċi, Pembroke |
| 4 | EC Malta                                     | St Martin's College Annexe - St Martin's College, Swatar Road, Swatar     |

## List of Home Tuition Providers Visited in 2025

|   | Name of Home Tuition Provider | Address                                       |
|---|-------------------------------|---|
| 1 | Ta' Oneira                    | Tranquility, Triq Liberat Grech, Xaghra, Gozo |

## 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. This year, the Council conducted a spot-check at 6 schools and 2 annexes.

## List of Schools Visited in 2025

|   | Name of School                               | Address  |
|---|--|--|
| 1 | Gateway School of English (GSE)              | 1, Bosfru Street, San Ġwann (St Julian's)          |
| 2 | AM Language                                  | 299, Triq Manwel Dimech, Sliema                    |
| 3 | BSC Learners Malta (BSC Malta)               | Palazzo Capua, George Borg Olivier Street, Sliema  |
| 4 | London School of Commerce (LSC)              | 3rd Floor, Europa Centre, St Anne Street, Floriana |
| 5 | NSTS English Language Institute              | 12, Taliana Lane, Gzira                            |
| 6 | Institute of English Language Studies (IELS) | Matthew Pulis Street, Sliema                       |

## List of Annexes Visited in 2025

|   | Name of Annexe                | Address   |
|---|-------------------------------|---|
| 1 | International House Malta     | Paradise Bay Annexe - International House, Young Learner Summer Programme, Paradise Bay Resort Hotel, Ċirkewwa    |
| 2 | Maltalingua School of English | Qawra Primary Annexe - Maria Regina College, St Francis of Assisi Qawra Primary School, Triq il-Port Ruman, Qawra |

The 2025 Monitoring Exercise provided an in-depth evaluation of the 22 ELT institutions in Malta, focusing on their compliance with academic standards, management practices, legal and safety regulations, and technology integration. The exercise highlighted several strengths and areas for improvement across these schools, offering a comprehensive overview of the current state of the ELT sector in Malta. Key findings from the exercise include:

## Commitment to Academic Quality:

The majority of ELT institutions demonstrated a strong commitment to maintaining high teaching standards, evidenced by well-maintained teacher portfolios, structured lesson plans, and effective learner feedback mechanisms. However, there is room for improvement in areas such as seasonal teacher development, differentiated instruction for mixed ability classes, and the consistent use of technology to enhance learning.

## Supportive Learning Environments:

Most schools fostered positive and inclusive classroom environments, utilising interactive teaching methods such as groupwork, peer discussions, and project-based learning. Teachers were generally successful in building rapport with students and offering individualised support. Nonetheless, larger classes posed challenges in classroom management, and improvements could be made in providing more personalised learning support.

## Use of Technology:

While many schools integrated digital tools and blended learning models effectively, others showed inconsistency in the use of virtual learning environments and online teaching platforms. Further development is needed in the consistent application of digital resources to support independent learning and enhance classroom engagement.

## Compliance with Management and Safety Standards:

Schools generally adhered well to legal compliance, with updated health and safety certifications, regular fire drills, and well-maintained sanitary facilities. However, a few schools need to strengthen their document management systems and ensure more frequent safety reviews to maintain ongoing compliance with evolving regulatory standards.



## Emphasis on Continuing Professional Development:

While schools provided opportunities for teacher professional growth, there is a need for more structured CPD programmes, particularly focused on technology training and classroom management techniques. Support for teachers in handling diverse student groups and integrating digital tools into daily lessons will help schools stay ahead of educational advancements.

**The ASV Team consisted of an expert in monitoring services and quality assurance, who had also conducted monitoring visits, as well as 5 monitoring visitors.**



## Free CPD Sessions Organised by the ELT Council in 2025

|           | Session Title  | Duration | Date                | Attendees | Trainer                               |
|-----------|--|----------|---------------------|-----------|---------------------------------------|
| <b>1</b>  | Increasing Engagement During an Engagement Crisis                    | 4 hours  | 15 January          | 156       | Kevin Spiteri                         |
| <b>2</b>  | Managing ELT Teams in the Digital Age                                | 4 hours  | 19 February         | 18        | Kevin Spiteri                         |
| <b>3</b>  | Sustainability in the Workplace                                      | 4 hours  | 26 February         | 15        | Mark. C. Mifsud                       |
| <b>4</b>  | Imagining the Story of Literature                                    | 4 hours  | 27 February         | 102       | Ivana Buric Kurtovic & Eva Bogdanovic |
| <b>5</b>  | Safeguarding Minors in ELT Schools                                   | 4 hours  | 02 April            | 50        | Steve Libreri                         |
| <b>6</b>  | Cognitive Literacy for Critical Thinking in the Age of Generative AI | 4 hours  | 26 April            | 82        | Adam Widawski                         |
| <b>7</b>  | Gamifying Wellbeing  | 4 hours  | 14 May              | 88        | Kevin Spiteri                         |
| <b>8</b>  | Generation Alpha in the Classroom                                    | 4 hours  | 04 June             | 28        | Erika Galea                           |
| <b>9</b>  | Tools, Techniques & Growth   | 7 hours  | 28 June             | 77        | Multiple                              |
| <b>10</b> | ELT Council's Safeguarding Programme                                 | 12 hours | 1, 4, 8, 11 October | 34        | Steve Libreri                         |
| <b>11</b> | Emotion Regulation Strategies  | 4 hours  | 29 November         | 69        | Erika Galea                           |

## CPD Submitted to the ELT Council for Approval for Permit Renewal Purposes.

The ELT Council received 12 CPD courses for approval in 2025. All of these were approved for clients, namely private schools and freelancers. There were no rejected CPD applications.

### Test for English Language Teachers (TELT)

There were four TELT sessions in 2025: March, May, July, and November. The results are as follows:

| Grade           | March | May | July | November |
|-----------------|-------|-----|------|----------|
| Distinction     | 0     | 0   | 0    | 0        |
| Pass with Merit | 0     | 0   | 0    | 0        |
| Pass            | 5     | 1   | 4    | 6        |
| Narrow Fail     | 3     | 2   | 10   | 6        |
| Fail            | 5     | 16  | 8    | 21       |
| Unclassified    | 0     | 1   | 0    | 0        |
| Absent          | 4     | 5   | 3    | 1        |

### Revision of Paper:

In 2025, there was a total of 13 applications for paper revisions. In March, one candidate's mark was upgraded from a narrow fail to a pass. May and July saw no changes to marks, with 2 and 1 applications respectively. November had the highest number, with 7 applications, including one successful revision that changed a fail to a pass.





## Successfully Completed TEFL Award Courses in 2025

|    | Name of School                             | Address                                | Successful Students |
|----|--|--|---------------------|
| 1  | AM Language                                | 11/02/2025 – 13/03/2025 (online)       | 6                   |
| 2  | AM Language                                | 21/04/2025 – 09/05/2025 (online)       | 7                   |
| 3  | AM Language                                | 02/06/2025 – 25/06/2025 (online)       | 7                   |
| 4  | AM Language                                | 29/07/2025 – 21/08/2025 (online)       | 9                   |
| 5  | AM Language                                | 26/08/2025 – 18/09/2025 (online)       | 4                   |
| 6  | AM Language                                | 14/10/2025 – 06/11/2025 (online)       | 7                   |
| 7  | EF International Language Campuses – Malta | 14/04/2025 – 26/04/2025 (face-to-face) | 24                  |
| 8  | EF International Language Campuses – Malta | 13/10/2025 – 20/11/2025 (face-to-face) | 12                  |
| 9  | European School of English (ESE)           | 14/04/2025 – 25/04/2025 (face-to-face) | 17                  |
| 10 | European School of English (ESE)           | 15/09/2025 – 23/10/2025 (face-to-face) | 9                   |
| 11 | NSTS English Language Institute            | 14/04/2025 – 02/05/2025 (online)       | 12                  |
| 12 | Online TEFL Teacher (OTT)                  | 26/05/2025 – 26/06/2025 (online)       | 7                   |
| 13 | Online TEFL Teacher (OTT)                  | 01/07/2025 – 31/07/2025 (online)       | 5                   |

### 126 students successfully completed a TEFL Award Course in 2025.

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.

### 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 possess an A-level in English.

| Number of accepted applications | Withdrawn | Total awarded amount (€) |
|---------------------------------|-----------|--------------------------|
| 45 applications                 | 6         | 9,750.00                 |

## 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 2025 |     |
|--|-----|
| ELT Permits                                  | 179 |
| Renewals                                     | 120 |
| Temporary Permits                            | 130 |
| Temporary Renewals                           | 21  |
| Total Permits Issued                         | 450 |

**80% of new ELT permits issued in 2025 were to EU nationals, while the remaining 20% were issued to non-EU nationals.**

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 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 2025 | Applicants | Absent | Successful | Failed |
|---------------------|------------|--------|------------|--------|
| 28 January 2025     | 14         | 01     | 11         | 02     |
| 24 February 2025    | 09         | 01     | 05         | 03     |
| 24 March 2025       | 09         | 00     | 09         | 00     |
| 28 April 2025       | 35         | 04     | 28         | 03     |
| 27 May 2025         | 27         | 00     | 26         | 01     |
| 24 June 2025        | 14         | 01     | 09         | 04     |
| 29 July 2025        | 20         | 02     | 16         | 02     |
| 26 August 2025      | 11         | 01     | 07         | 03     |
| 30 September 2025   | 22         | 03     | 17         | 02     |
| 28 October 2025     | 13         | 01     | 12         | 00     |
| 25 November 2025    | 29         | 01     | 26         | 02     |
| Total               | 203        | 15     | 166        | 22     |

### Council Meeting Dates

- 16 January 2025
- 27 February 2025
- 29 May 2025
- 30 June 2025
- 21 August 2025
- 12 September 2025
- 27 October 2025
- 25 November 2025

## Accommodation

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

| Residences | Apartments | Hotel Providers | Total Registered Places for Accommodation |
|------------|------------|-----------------|---|
| 51         | 149        | 43              | 243                                       |



## Information Management

### Meetings with ELT Schools

| Date             | Meetings                                      | In Collaboration |
|------------------|---|------------------|
| 25 April 2025    | Monitoring Visits 2025                        | N/A              |
| 7 May 2025       | Info meeting regarding the TEFL Policy Update | N/A              |
| 11 June 2025     | Skills Pass Updates Meeting                   | ITS              |
| 1 October 2025   | MTA Awards                                    | MTA              |
| 26 November 2025 | National Statistics Office (NSO)              | NSO              |
| 15 December 2025 | End of Year Meeting                           | N/A              |

### Licensed ELT Schools as of December 2025

|   | Licence No. | Name of School             | Address   |
|---|-------------|----------------------------|---|
| 1 | 264         | A Class Academy of English | STC, Block A, Alamein Road, Pembroke                      |
| 2 | 278         | ACE English Malta          | Bay Street Complex, Level 4, St George's Bay, St Julian's |

|           | Licence No. | Name of School                               | Address  |
|-----------|-------------|--|--|
| <b>3</b>  | 161         | Alpha School of English                      | Arznell Street, St Paul's Bay  |
| <b>4</b>  | 143         | AM Language                                  | 299, Triq Manwel Dimech, Sliema  |
| <b>5</b>  | 295         | Ascencia Malta Ltd                           | 23, Vincenzo Dimech Street, Floriana   |
| <b>6</b>  | 290         | Atlas Language School                        | Alamein Road, Pembroke   |
| <b>7</b>  | 207         | Bels Gozo                                    | Triq ta' Doti, Kerċem, Gozo  |
| <b>8</b>  | 269         | Bels Malta                                   | 550 West, St Paul's Street, St Paul's Bay  |
| <b>9</b>  | 125         | Berlitz   English Language Academy           | 65, Birkirkara Hill, St Julian's   |
| <b>10</b> | 297         | BSC Learners Malta (BSC Malta)               | Palazzo Capua, George Borg Olivier Street, Sliema                                    |
| <b>11</b> | 277         | Cavendish School of English                  | 124, Melita Street, Valletta   |
| <b>12</b> | 232         | Clubclass English Language Campus            | 104, Triq is-Sidra, Swieqi, St Julian's  |
| <b>13</b> | 247         | Easy School of Languages                     | 21, St Ursula Street, Valletta   |
| <b>14</b> | 158         | EC Malta                                     | Marguerite Mangion Street, St Julian's   |
| <b>15</b> | 291         | EEC-ITIS Malta Tourism & Languages Institute | 9, EEC - ITIS Building, Triq San Pietru, San Ġwann                                   |
| <b>16</b> | 231         | EF International Language Campuses - Malta   | The Mayfair Business Centre, Lower St Augustine Street, St George's Bay, St Julian's |
| <b>17</b> | 268         | English Domain                               | Domain Building, 102/104, Constitution Street, Mosta                                 |
| <b>18</b> | 293         | English Path Malta                           | Level 4/6 (West Block), Marguerite Mangion Street, St Julian's                       |
| <b>19</b> | 209         | European School of English (ESE)             | ESE Building, Paceville Avenue, St Julian's  |
| <b>20</b> | 267         | Executive Training Institute (ETI Malta)     | ESE Building, Paceville Avenue, St Julian's  |
| <b>21</b> | 263         | Future Focus School of English               | 8, Magazines Street, Floriana  |
| <b>22</b> | 241         | Gateway School of English (GSE)              | 1, Bosfru Street, San Ġwann (St Julian's)  |
| <b>23</b> | 121         | GV Malta English Centre                      | St George's Street, St Paul's Bay  |
| <b>24</b> | 242         | International House Malta                    | Triq id-Dragnara, Paceville, St Julian's   |
| <b>25</b> | 127         | Inlingua School of Languages                 | 92, Tigne Street, Sliema   |
| <b>26</b> | 150         | Institute of English Language Studies (IELS) | Mattew Pulis Street, Sliema  |
| <b>27</b> | 283         | London School of Commerce (LSC)              | 3rd Floor, Europa Centre, St Anne Street, Floriana                                   |
| <b>28</b> | 275         | Maltalingua School of English                | 2, Birkirkara Hill, St Julian's  |
| <b>29</b> | 270         | Malta University Language School             | Campus Hub, Block O, Level 6, University of Malta, Tal-Qroqq, Msida                  |
| <b>30</b> | 144         | NSTS English Language Institute              | 12, Taliana Lane, Gzira  |
| <b>31</b> | 288         | SEAL Malta                                   | 58, Tower Tinghi Street, Xewkija, Gozo   |
| <b>32</b> | 296         | Smart School of English                      | Villa Menhir, 128, Triq is-Sirk, Is-Swieqi   |
| <b>33</b> | 162         | Sprachcaffe Languages Plus                   | 6, Alamein Road, Pembroke  |

## Licensed School Annexes

School Annexe means any building, not contiguous to the School Premises, in whole or in part, howsoever described, temporarily or permanently designated for ELT by the school. Annexes must be licensed by the ELT Council prior to use. The following annexes were in use in 2025:

|    | Licence No. | Name of School                               | Annexe Address   |
|----|-------------|--|--|
| 1  | 278/02      | ACE English Malta                            | L-Iskola Nazzjonali tal-Ispport, Triq Jum Pembroke, Pembroke, Is-Swieqi, Malta           |
| 2  | 143/02      | AM Language                                  | 67, High Street, Sliema  |
| 3  | 143/03      | AM Language                                  | 112, Triq Manwel Dimech, Sliema  |
| 4  | 158/03      | EC Malta                                     | St Martin's College, Swatar Road, Swatar   |
| 5  | 158/04      | EC Malta                                     | 50, Triq ix-Xorrox, Birkirkara, Malta  |
| 6  | 231/01      | EF International Language Campuses - Malta   | St George's Beach, No. 95, St George's Road, St Julian's STJ 3206                        |
| 7  | 231/02      | EF International Language Campuses - Malta   | G.F. Abela Junior College, Ġużè Debono Square, Msida                                     |
| 8  | 209/01      | European School of English                   | Salini Resort, Salina Bay, Salina  |
| 9  | 241/01      | Gateway School of English                    | St Clare College, San Ġwann Primary, Myrtle Avenue, San Ġwann, SGN 9025                  |
| 10 | 121/01      | GV Malta English Centre                      | GV Malta Summer Camp, Archbishop's Seminary, 90, Triq il-Virtù, Rabat                    |
| 11 | 150/04      | Institute of English Language Studies (IELS) | Stella Maris College, San Albert Street, Gżira   |
| 12 | 242/01      | International House Malta                    | International House, Young Learner Summer Programme, Paradise Bay Resort Hotel, Ċirkewwa |
| 13 | 275/04      | Maltalingua School of English                | Maria Regina College Qawra Primary, Triq il-Port Ruman, Qawra                            |
| 14 | 275/03      | Maltalingua School of English                | L1-10 at Park Towers Mall (opposite the main school)                                     |
| 15 | 162/01      | Sprachcaffè Languages PLUS                   | Parish Pastoral Centre, Misrah il-Paċi, Pembroke   |

## Distance Learning Providers (DLP)

The ELT Council did not issue any new DLP licences in 2025. Active and operational licences:

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

## Home Tuition Providers (HTP)

The ELT Council issued one new HTP licence in 2025. Active and operational licences:

|   | Licence No. | Home Tuition Provider |
|---|-------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | HTP23.01    | Ta' Oneira            |
| 2 | HTP25.01    | ZETH English Malta    |

## 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; issuing newsletters; and 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

We have now been operating from Pembroke for three years, with our office located at 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

As part of Continuing Professional Development, the ELT Council encourages its employees to attend conferences, seminars, and training sessions. This will help them keep abreast of the ongoing developments within the ELT 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.

#### Attended Conferences and Events

NCPE Annual Conference 2025

NCPE TRANSFORM Project Conference: The meaning of Work and the importance of ensuring Equality: Bridging Contemporary Views with Future Vision

Redefining Work and Family: Towards Equitable Support and Balance - NCPE

Data Protection Conference

Mutual Recognition of Qualifications Designated Authorities Conference 2025

#### Staff Training

Gender Mainstreaming in Practice training session.

Training in Public Speaking



## Sectoral Initiatives

### The ELT Council Attended the Following Industry Events

|   | Organisation                 | Name of Event   | Dates                         |
|---|------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| 1 | EAQUALS                      | Eaquals Annual International Conference   | 27 – 29 March 2025            |
| 2 | IATEFL Exhibition, Edinburgh | International Annual Conference and Exhibition – Promoting ELT Careers in Malta | 8 – 11 April 2025             |
| 3 | Osaka – Japan                | Business Mission to Osaka – Japan   | 14 – 22 July 2025             |
| 4 | Study Travel Ltd             | ST Alphe UK   | 29 – 31 August 2025           |
| 5 | KSU                          | KSU Freshers’ Week 2025   | 29 September – 3 October 2025 |
| 6 | EdYouFest                    | EdYouFest   | 13 September 2025             |
| 7 | Ambassador to Bulgaria       | Malta X Bulgaria Business Exchange  | 11 September 2025             |
| 8 | Mediterranean Symposium      | 4th Mediterranean Symposium – University of Malta – Valletta Campus             | 23 October 2025               |
| 9 | ICEF Berlin                  | Business to Business Expo   | 2 - 4 November 2025           |

### M.A. In Applied Linguistics and TESOL Sponsorship

In 2025, the ELT Council awarded one scholarship to applicants who successfully enrolled on the University of Malta’s (UM) M.A. in Applied Linguistics & TESOL programme. The scholarship covered the full tuition fees (€4,800) for the programme, which can be pursued on a full- or part-time basis.

| Number of applications received | Applications not eligible | Scholarships Awarded | Withdrawn | Number of accepted applications | Total awarded amount (€) |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|-----------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1                               | Nil                       | 1                    | Nil       | 1                               | 4,800                    |

## Working Groups

### Subcommittee on Academic Comparability and Recognition of Prior Learning

The ELT Council established a Subcommittee on Academic Comparability and Recognition of Prior Learning to support the evaluation of qualifications and prior learning within the ELT sector. The subcommittee is composed of five members, including two representatives from the ELT industry, ensuring both academic and industry perspectives are reflected in its work. During 2025, the subcommittee convened for two meetings, during which a total of three cases were reviewed.

### Teachers Advertising Campaign

The campaign ran for three weeks, from March to April, and included radio advertisements as well as digital advertising, radio spots, out-of-home advertising, and social media outreach. The total cost of the campaign was €10,672.86 and it was carried out in collaboration with the Malta Tourism Authority.



## 12th Inspiring ELT Professional Award and 4th ELT Career Service Award Working Group

The ELT Council established a subcommittee to evaluate nominations for both the 12th Inspiring Award and the 4th ELT Career Service Award within the ELT sector. The subcommittee comprises six members. In 2025, the subcommittee convened for two meetings, during which it reviewed a total of three nominees for the 12th Inspiring Award and two nominees for the 4th ELT Career Service Award.



**12th Inspiring ELT Professional Award winner (2025): Ms Moira Falzon**



**4th ELT Career Service Award winner (2025): Ms Sandra Attard Montalto**

## Football Tournament for ELT Schools Staff Members

The ELT Malta Industry organised a football tournament for ELT Staff in Malta on the 31st May 2025. This event was supported by the ELT Council and sponsored by AVC.

### AVC supporting the ELT Malta Industry Football Tournament



## Teachers' Cards

During 2025, the ELT Council issued 357 Teachers' Cards to the teachers whose ELT Permit had been renewed or had applied for the New ELT Permit. This card entitles them to various discounts from various publishers, spas, Malta Experience and The Esplora. These are mostly 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, Mdina Glass and Urban Valley.

This year we included also Odyssey Malta Experience at Mercury Towers Ltd and AX Hotels.

## Identità

The office services at the central focal point for the ELT Industry for Identità in relation to processing of visas and renewals of TCNs arriving in Malta for an ELT course. The number of TCN students requesting visa extensions in 2025 was 1,044, while VFS received 10,241 requests for STD and EXD visas, totaling 11,285.

## Migrant Learners Programme

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



Mr Omar Rababah

Dr Doreen Said Pace

Mr Kenneth Busuttill

Students from San Ġorġ and San Bastjan Primary Schools together with our programme teachers: Ms Nicole Falzon, Mr Omar Rababah and Ms Elizabeth Micallef.

## Blue Lagoon Programme

Schools submitted lists to Visit Malta to apply for tickets to visit Comino. The total number of students was 14,952.

## 14th ELT Malta Conference

The theme of this year's conference was "ELT for a Sustainable World: Empowering Learners, Teachers, and Schools," held at the University of Malta (Valletta Campus) on the 24th and 25th October 2025. The event featured 3 plenary sessions, 35 workshops, and 10 talks, with most of the speakers coming from international backgrounds. A total of 237 attendees participated, with another 35 individuals attending the exclusive Business and Management session, which was held also during the conference.



## **POMA**

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

## **Financial Reports**

The Annual Report and Financial Statements for 2024 has been completed.

## **Recognition and Awards**

The ELT Council continues to hold the Equality Mark and the Quality Award, both achieved in 2024. The Equality Mark recognises organisations that make gender equality a core value, while the Quality Award acknowledges consistent excellence in service through customer feedback and evaluations.

## **Other**

Liaison with all necessary entities, stakeholders vis-à-vis sectoral issues. These include the Malta Tourism Authority, Identità, Jobsplus, MFHEA, FELTOM, Centre for Academic Literacies & English Communication Skills (CALECS) and ELT Schools.



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