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2012 International Year of Cooperatives

“Cooperative Enterprises Build a Better World”
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UN Focal Point on Cooperatives
- Malta is located in the centre of the Mediterranean Sea, 80.5 km south of Sicily and 289.7 km from the north of Africa.
- Size – total area 316 sq km
- Population – 404,962
- Malta as a European Union Member since 2004
Discussion for a Mediterranean Conference on Malta as a Co-ops Med Hub
Launch at Parliament - Cooperatives in Social Development
15/12/2011
ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Launch of ICA 2012 & programme of activities
- Social Media Workshop
- Marketing on internet and Social Media
- Launch of book on the story of Co-Ops in Malta
- Participated in Malta’s International Trade Fair
ACTIVITIES ON GOING:

- ETC Courses on starting up Co-Ops
- National Conference on legislative changes
- Initiate to prepare a book for starting up Co-ops for youths
- Launching of Youth Co-Ops at Malta College of Arts, Science & Technology (MCAST) level
- Discussions on Cooperative banking – an alternative model for banking in Malta
- Cooperative Enterprises
FUTURE GOALS

- National Governments should ensure that all legislation in their country gives equal opportunities to co-operatives such that they can complete, at least, on equal playing fields with partnerships, companies and all other forms of business.

- Cooperative Movements should take over the roles of 'trainers' in their country's educational systems such that youths are trained how to form and better manage cooperatives.

- The Civil Society should be encouraged to participate in the forming of cooperatives that can assist in improving their own living standards, e.g. cleaner air, energy production, etc.

- Media should be encouraged to promote cooperatives and their work and ensure that media coverage is given to all cooperatives activities.

- The International Institutions should have a special committee / forum to monitor, assist and encourage the propagation of existing and new cooperatives worldwide including the training of interested personnel who could then assist other countries and national governments in forming new cooperatives.
IYC 2012 Draft Programme

- Official launch of ICA 2012 and Programme of Activities agreed in Parliament under the auspices of the Speaker
- Social Media Workshop
- Launch of discussions with ETC Courses on Starting of Co-Ops
- National Conference on Legislative Changes
- Launch of Book on the story of Co-Ops in Malta
- Participation in Enterprise Trade fair
- Research on Co-Ops ending with an official presentation
- Re-Launch of Scoops for Forms 3 & 4
- Launch of Youth Co-Ops (YCO) at MCAST Level
- Conference in Malta on Co-Op Banking
MALTESE COOPERATIVES

9 new Co-ops in 2011/2012 (up to Sep 2012). These include 2 social; 2 Educational Training; 2 Marketing Consultancy; 1 Research; 1 Transport
Total turnover €68,000,000.

COOPERATIVE ENTERPRISES BUILD A BETTER WORLD

LIVESTOCK: €27,740,948 (40%)
SERVICES: €24,753,867 (36%)
FISHING: €153,788 (1%)
WORKERS: €3,489,987 (5%)
AGRICULTURE: €11,908,446 (18%)
New Coops in the pipeline: We are currently working on 4 new co-operatives, expecting to approve them till the end of this year. They hail from the sectors of Farming; Fishing; Cultural and Professional Services.
The front cover of a unique book, detailing the full history of the co-operatives in Malta, since their inception in 1946.

Launching the book during the last week of November 2012.