



WELCOME TO THE EIGA SUMMER SESSION 2019

29TH MAY – 1ST JUNE 2019 ST JULIAN'S, MALTA



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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING VENUE

HILTON MALTA HOTEL, ST JULIAN'S

The Annual General Meeting will take place in Malta at the Hilton Malta Hotel, St Julian's (San Gilian).

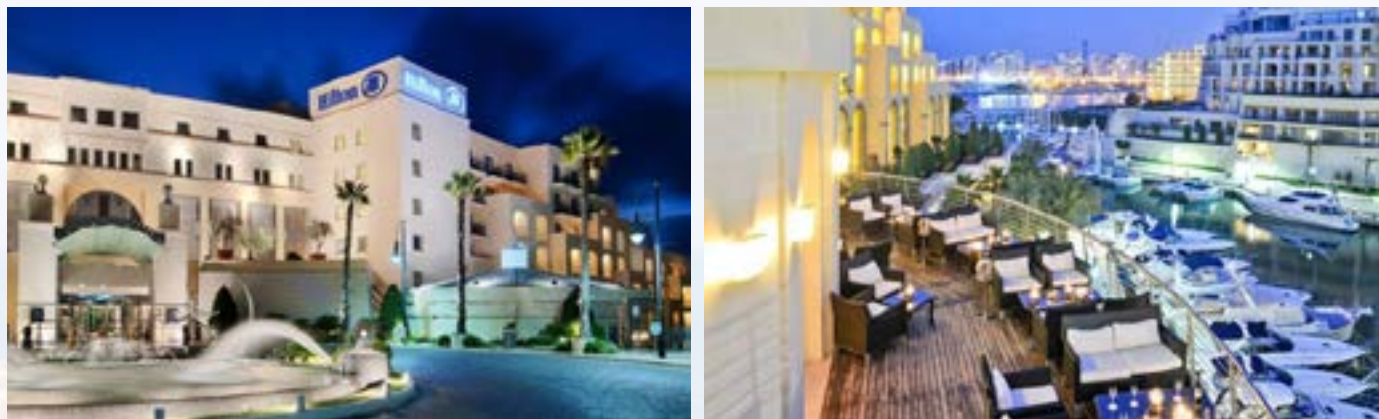
Situated in the heart of the Portomaso waterfront, a prestigious development in the fashionable village of St Julian's and just twenty minutes from the airport, the Malta Hilton hotel was designed with business in mind.

St Julian's is actually an extension of the city of Sliema although it started life as a small fishing port. The hotel is located 9 miles/14,5 km (20 min.) north from Malta international airport and 5 miles/8 km (15 min.) north-west from Malta's UNESCO World Heritage Capital City Valletta.

Address: HILTON MALTA - PORTOMASO, ST. JULIANS, MALTA

[Google Maps link](#)

[Website Hilton Malta Hotel, St Julian's](#)



PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY 29TH MAY 2019

12:00 - 13:00	Industrial Gases Council lunch (IGC Members only)	Oceana Restaurant - Level 3
13:00 - 17:30	Industrial Gases Council Meeting - Session 1 (IGC Members only)	Gifen I&II, Business Centre - Level 2

THURSDAY 30TH MAY 2019

07:00 - 10:30	Breakfast	Oceana Restaurant - Level 3
08:30 - 13:00	Industrial Gases Council Meeting - Session 2 (IGC Members only)	Gifen I&II, Business Centre - Level 2
13:00 - 14:00	IGC and Board of Directors lunch (IGC and BoD Members only)	Quarterdeck bar - Level 4
14:00 - 18:00	Board of Directors Meeting (BoD Members only)	Gifen I&II, Business Centre - Level 2
18:45	Guests to meet in the hotel lobby	Hilton Hotel Lobby - Level 5
19:00 - 19:30	Transfer by Coach to the Dinner venue	
19:30 - 22:30	Welcome Reception and Dinner	MCC, La Valette Hall, Valletta
22:30 - 23:00	Transfer back to Hilton Hotel by Coach	

FRIDAY 31ST MAY 2019

07:00 - 10:30	Breakfast	Oceana Restaurant - Level 3
09:00 - 12:00	EIGA Annual General Meeting (AGM) - Session 1	Portomaso Suite - Level 3
12:00 - 13:30	AGM Lunch	Oceana Restaurant - Level 3
13:30 - 15:00	EIGA Annual General Meeting (AGM) - Session 2	Portomaso Suite - Level 3
08:45	Accompanying Persons meet in the hotel lobby	Hilton Hotel Lobby - Level 5
09:00 - 15:30	Tour for Accompanying Persons (lunch included)	Transfer by boat Return by coach
18:45	Guests meet in the hotel lobby	Hilton Hotel Lobby - Level 5
19:00 - 19:30	Transfer by Coach to the Dinner venue	
19:30 - 23:00	Safety Awards Reception and Dinner	Phoenicia Ballroom, Valletta
23:00 - 23:30	Transfer back to Hilton Hotel by Coach	

SATURDAY 1ST JUNE 2019

07:00 - 10:30	Breakfast	Oceana Restaurant - Level 3
	Individual departures	

All meetings are taking place at the Hilton Malta Hotel, St Julian's.

REGISTRATION

DELEGATE/ACCOMPANYING PERSON

REGISTRATION FEE

Registration fee per couple or single:
2,283.90€ + 411.10€ Maltese VAT = 2,695.00€

REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES:

1. For delegates

Welcome Reception and Dinner
Participation in the Annual General Meeting (AGM)
Coffee breaks during the meeting
AGM Lunch
Safety Awards Reception and Dinner

2. For accompanying persons

Welcome Reception and Dinner
Tour on Friday, including lunch
Safety Awards Reception and Dinner

HOW TO REGISTER ONLINE

To register for the conference, please complete the [online registration form](#).
If you have problems with this online registration, please contact the Conference Secretariat Destrée Organisation in Brussels at eiga@destrée.be, tel. 0032 2 512 44 42.

Deadline: 15th March 2019

PAYMENT

Should be made upon registration - advance payment is mandatory:

- by bank transfer in EUR:

Beneficiary: EIGA, Avenue des Arts 3-5, B-1210 Brussels
Bank: S.A. NAGELMACKERS BANK N.V., Avenue de l'Astronomie 23, B-1210 Brussels
Account number: 132-5367478-24
SWIFT/BIC: BNAGBEBB
IBAN: BE81 1325 3674 7824
Communication: Name of participant

- by credit card (in EUR) upon registration

A VAT invoice will be sent by the Conference Secretariat Destrée Organisation upon receipt of your registration.
A final confirmation will be sent one week before the event.

REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION CANCELLATIONS

Notification of cancellation must be sent in writing to the Conference Secretariat Destrée Organisation by e-mail or by fax.
All refunds will be processed after the Summer Session.

- **For cancellations between 26th February and 10th March 2019,**
the cancellation fee = 25% of total amount paid or due.
- **For cancellations between 11th March and 31st March 2019,**
the cancellation fee = 50% of total amount paid or due.
- **For cancellations after 31st March 2019 and for No-Shows,**
The cancellation fee = 100% of total amount paid or due.

For name substitutions, a processing fee of 50,00 EUR will be charged.

VAT REFUND

EU Participants

Since 1st January 2010 the procedure for reimbursement of VAT incurred by EU taxable persons in Member States where they are not established has been replaced by a new fully electronic procedure, thereby ensuring a quicker refund to claimants. Taxable persons should therefore log in to their own fiscal administration website in order to reclaim VAT paid on registration fees.

Non-EU Participants

Taxpayers established in third countries who are not carrying out commercial activities in Malta, are eligible to claim VAT refund in Malta.

The refund application shall be submitted to the Maltese VAT Authorities not later than by 30th June of the calendar year following the refund period.

VAT on invoices for registration fees to the conference issued in 2019 can be claimed for a refund until 30th June 2020 at the latest.

The applications should be submitted to:

Director General, VAT
Value Added Tax Department
Centre Point Building
Ta' Paris Road
Birkirkara BKR 4633
Malta

The appropriate form 008/2004 (for non-EU participants) can be found [here](#)

ACCOMMODATION

HILTON MALTA HOTEL, ST JULIAN'S

Forming part of the prestigious Portomaso development, the Hilton hotel offers an ideal location and outstanding facilities. The hotel has a total of 410 rooms ranging from deluxe rooms to an extensive selection of executive rooms and suites overlooking the breathtaking views of the Mediterranean Sea and the award-winning Portomaso Yacht Marina. The Hilton is located in the St Julian's district (San Gilián) which is an extension of the city of Sliema although it started life as a small fishing port. It is 20 min. north from Malta international airport (9 miles/14,5 km) and 15 min. north-west from Malta's UNESCO World Heritage Capital City Valletta (5 miles/8 km).

The hotel features 3 restaurants (including the award-winning Thai Restaurant Blue Elephant), 4 bars, 4 outdoor pools and a heated indoor pool area, with sauna, steam room and Myoko 5 Senses Spa. The hotel lobby is situated on level 5.

Address:

HILTON MALTA - PORTOMASO, ST. JULIANS, MALTA
+356-213-83383

info.malta@hilton.com

[To make a reservation, click here](#)



EIGA HAS ARRANGED SPECIAL FIXED RATES:

Deluxe Room with Marina or Garden View

(King or Queen, Double or Twin)

single occupancy: € 228.00 per night
double occupancy: € 253.00 per night

Deluxe Room with Sea View

(King or Queen, Double or Twin) (upon availability)

single occupancy: € 248.00 per night
double occupancy: € 273.00 per night

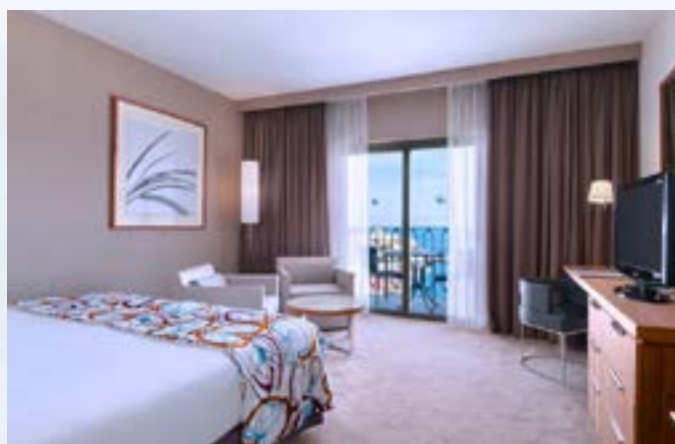
Executive Room with Sea View

(King or Queen, Double or Twin) (upon availability)

single occupancy: € 308.00 per night
double occupancy: € 333.00 per night

The rates include a full buffet breakfast, WiFi, VAT and local taxes.

Room rates are exclusive of Eco Tax 0.50 € per person per night, which needs to be paid on check out.



HOTEL RESERVATION CONDITIONS:

Reservations to be done by 01/05/2019. Room rates and availability cannot be guaranteed after 15th March 2019. Early reservation is recommended due to the limited EIGA block booking.

At reservation stage all delegates must **pre-pay their stay in full by credit card** (this is new for EIGA delegates!).

For all prepaid bookings, the original credit card used at the booking stage for payment is to be presented upon check-in (in case of problem, please contact Malta_Reservations@hilton.com)

HOTEL CANCELLATION CONDITIONS:

In case of cancellation prior to 03/04/2019, the pre-paid stay will be refunded in full.

Should the individual delegate cancel the reservation between 04/04/2019 and the day of arrival, or in case of no-show, then the hotel shall retain the pre-payment.

Cancellation request should be directed to Malta_Reservations@hilton.com.

The information from the Hilton website (in a yellow banner) reading *"This reservation is non-refundable and may not be changed or cancelled '...'"* will not apply in case of cancellation prior to 03/04/2019 (EIGA Group conditions).

Also, the cancellation policy on the Hilton website and on your confirmation reading *"If you cancel for any reason, attempt to modify this reservation, or do not arrive on your specified check-in date, your payment is non-refundable"* will not apply in case of cancellation prior to 03/04/2019 (EIGA Group conditions).

DIRECTIONS FOR PARKING:

Guests of Hilton Malta will be offered free parking in the Portomaso Car Park. The entrance for the Portomaso Car Park can be found just in front of the Hilton hotel.

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

WELCOME RECEPTION AND DINNER - THURSDAY 30TH MAY 2019, LA VALETTE HALL IN VALLETTA

One of the most imposing buildings in Valletta, Malta's capital, is the Mediterranean Conference Centre (MCC). The grand architectural style of this historic building with its wide long halls, intricately vaulted ceilings and rich limestone work, combine to provide a rich and striking atmosphere. It was constructed as a hospital in the late 16th century by the Knights of St John. It was one of the leading hospitals in Europe until the 18th century and it remained in use until 1920. It had a capacity to keep from 500 to 2500 patients. It was meant to receive Maltese and foreign patients, as well as to provide lodging to pilgrims travelling to the Holy Land.

The La Valette Hall where the EIGA Welcome Dinner will take place, is now the main Banqueting Hall at the Conference Centre. Formerly the Great Magazine Ward, it is an architectural gem with its combination of splendid vaulted ceilings – in the form of a cross-over such a sheer length (150m!).



- 18:45 Guests meet in the hotel lobby
 - 19:00 – 19:30 Coach transfer to the Dinner venue
 - 19:30 – 22:30 Welcome Reception followed by Dinner
 - 22:30 – 23:00 Coach transfer back to the Hilton Hotel
- Dress code – Smart casual

SAFETY AWARDS RECEPTION AND DINNER - FRIDAY 31ST MAY 2019, PHOENICIA BALLROOM, PHOENICIA HOTEL, VALLETTA

The prestigious and historic Phoenicia Hotel is situated at the gateway of Valletta, close to the Triton Fountain and the Valletta City Gate and fortifications. The Art Deco hotel was built in the 1930s by a Scottish architect and was only opened in 1947. With the outbreak of World War II, the finished parts were requisitioned by the British military to be used by the Royal Air Force personnel. It also suffered extensive damage when it was hit by an aerial bombardment. Reconstruction of the damaged parts was fully complete in November 1947.

Some of the official functions relating to Malta's independence in 1964 were held at the Phoenicia.

For over 60 years the Grand Ballroom, where the EIGA dinner will take place, has been a landmark in Maltese history. It was here, that Her Royal Highness, Queen Elizabeth II waltzed on the solid-wood parquet dance floor, and the ballroom has hosted everything from intimate family lunches to lavish wedding receptions ever since.

The hotel grounds contain extensive landscaped gardens (7,5 acres) overlooking the ancient fortified walls and the waterfront of the city of Valletta.



- 18:45 Guests meet in the hotel lobby
 - 19:00 – 19:30 Transfer by Coach to the Dinner venue
 - 19:30 – 23:00 Safety Awards Reception followed by Dinner
 - 23:00 – 23:30 Coach transfer back to the Hilton Hotel
- Dress code – Cocktail attire (suit and tie for gentlemen)

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

ACCOMPANYING PERSONS' PROGRAMME – FRIDAY 31ST MAY 2019



Upper Barrakka Gardens



St. John's Co-Cathedral



Triton Fountain And Square

VALLETTA TOUR

The accompanying person will make a guided walking tour in the Maltese Capital City of 'Valletta'. The walled city of Valletta was built in the 1500's by the Knights of the Order of St. John. Today Valletta beautifully combines its baroque treasures, palaces, churches and museums with trendy cafes, restaurants, bars and shops.

- 08:45 Accompanying persons meet in the hotel lobby (Level 5)
- 09:30 Arrival in Valletta by a Maltese Luzzu (typical Maltese coloured boat)
- 09:30 – 15:00 Tour of Valletta composed as follows:
 - UPPER BARRAKKA GARDENS**
Amazing views of The Grand Harbour & historical Three Cities
 - ST. JOHN'S CO-CATHEDRAL**
Extravagant interior & original Caravaggio paintings
 - TRITON FOUNTAIN AND SQUARE**
The largest open space in Valletta
- LUNCH**
At the nostalgic Rampila restaurant
- FREE TIME AND SHOPPING**
- 15:00 - 15:30 Transfer back by coach to the Hilton Hotel

Dress code: casual and comfortable clothing and footwear.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Conference Hospitality Desk

The Conference Hospitality Desk will be operating in the hotel lobby:

- On Thursday 30th May 2019: 09:00 – 19:45
- On Friday 31st May 2019: 08:00 – 19:45
- On Saturday 1st June 2019: 08:00 – 12:00 (official check-out time)

Language

The language of the Conference will be English. There will be no simultaneous translation to any other language. During the Accompanying Persons' Programme guides will speak English, German or French.

Name Badges

For identification/security reasons, all participants are kindly requested to wear their name badges at all EIGA events including during all official lunches and dinners.

Liability / Insurance

Delegates and accompanying persons are always advised to take international travel and health insurance during their trip. All participants are reminded that neither EIGA nor the Organising partner ECMeetings in Malta, nor the Conference Secretariat Destree Organisation in Brussels are liable for any losses, accidents or damage to persons or private property.

Dress code

- On Thursday 30th May 2019: Welcome Reception and Dinner – Smart casual
- On Friday 31st May 2019: Annual General Meeting – Business formal
- On Friday 31st May 2019: Accompanying Persons' Programme – Casual and comfortable clothing and footwear
- On Friday 31st May 2019: Safety Awards Reception and Dinner – Cocktail attire (suit and tie for gentlemen)



OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

About Malta

The Maltese archipelago lies virtually at the centre of the Mediterranean, 93 km south of Sicily and 288 km north of Africa. The archipelago consists of three islands: Malta, Gozo and Comino with a total population of approx. 460 000 inhabitants occupying an area of 316 km².

Malta is the largest island and the cultural, commercial and administrative centre. Gozo is the second largest island and is more rural, characterised by fishing, tourism, crafts and agriculture. Comino, the smallest of the trio, has one hotel and is largely uninhabited.

The official languages of Malta are Maltese and English. Maltese, a language of Semitic origin written in the Latin script, is the national language of Malta.

Over the centuries, it has incorporated many words derived from English, Italian and French. Italian is also widely spoken.

Due to the Mediterranean lifestyle and climate in Malta, it is common that smaller shops close between 13:00 and 16:00 during weekdays, while they do not open at all on Saturday afternoons and Sundays.

With superbly sunny weather, attractive beaches, a thriving nightlife and 7000 years of intriguing history, there is a great deal to see and do.

Quick facts about Malta:

- 460 000 inhabitants, it is one of the 10 smallest countries on the planet with 316 km² but also the most densely populated
- Malta is member of the European Union only since 2004
- The predominant religion in Malta is that of the Catholic Church
- Head of the State: the President is appointed by a resolution of the House of Representatives of Malta for a five-year term, taking an oath to "preserve, protect and defend" the Constitution
- Malta has two official languages: Maltese and English. Maltese is the national language
- The Bocci is the traditional Maltese Sport, a derivative of the Italian game 'Bocce', the French game 'Petanque' and the English game 'Bowles'
- Malta has a Mediterranean climate. Summer's longest day: 15 hours
- Malta became independent on 21st September 1964
- The Maltese drive on the left side of the road (Malta has long been part of the British Empire as a protectorate)
- Red and white, the flag of Malta flaunts the George Cross awarded on 15th April 1942 by the King of England. It symbolises the heroism of the Maltese during the Second World War.



Comino and the Blue Lagoon



Mdina



Marsaxlokk

INFORMATION

Must sees

- Valletta - the capital city with 16th century architecture and St John's Co-Cathedral
- Mdina - the Silent City and formerly Malta's capital city
- Gozo - Malta's sister island
- Comino and the Blue Lagoon
- Marsaxlokk - a traditional Maltese fishing village
- The Malta National Aquarium

Money exchange

The official currency of Malta is the Euro.

Credit cards

Major credit cards such as Visa and Mastercard are widely accepted. American Express is also accepted but to a lesser extent.

Time Zone

Time zone in Malta will be Summer Time (GMT+2).

Electricity in Malta (!)

In Malta the power plugs and sockets are of type G (UK-type), so we advise to bring your power plug adapter. The standard voltage is 230 V and the standard frequency is 50 Hz.



Local food

Food to try:

- Maltese Ftira – a sumptuous Maltese bread filled with tuna flakes and capers
- Pastizzi – a savoury ricotta or peas pastry
- Fenkata – The traditional dish of rabbit stew
- Torta tal-Lampuki – a dorado fish pie
- Timpana – Similar to baked macaroni with pastry



Gozo



Ftira



Fenkata

Basic phrases in Maltese

Useful phrases:

- Bongu (Hello)
- Kif int? (How are you?)
- Jekk jogħġbok (Please)
- Grazzi (Thank you!)
- Iva (Yes)
- Le (No)

Climate

Malta's climate is typical of the Mediterranean and is strongly influenced by the sea. The Maltese Islands have a pleasantly sunny climate with a daily average of around 12 hours sunshine in summer.

Summers are hot, dry and very sunny. Day-time temperatures in summer are often mitigated by cooling sea breezes.

PLAN YOUR TRIP

BY AIR



Malta International Airport

Malta International Airport LUQA (MLA) hosts around six million passengers annually. Malta is a short distance of maximum 2-3 hours from all the major European destinations. Malta International airport also serves as an airport for low cost carriers whilst it is also linked to all the major international airports with over 100 flights daily.

Travel time to the hotel: approx. 20 minutes (9 miles/14,5 km).



What you need to know

We strongly recommend you to book your flights to & from Malta well in advance/as soon as you can.

Since our Summer Session is taking place during a « long weekend » (Thursday 30th May = Ascension Day) flights may be busy with tourists heading to Malta.

Thanks for your understanding and taking the necessary action for smooth travel arrangements.

AIRPORT TRANSFERS

TAXI SERVICE (WHITE CARS)

Rate airport – Hilton: approx. € 21.00

Taxi services between Malta International Airport (MIA) and any destination in Malta are available 24 hours a day. Pre-paid tickets can be purchased at fixed rates from a booth at the Welcomers Hall. They accept cash in EURO and bank/credit cards. An ATM is available in the arrival hall, just next to the taxi booth.

A regular white taxi normally accommodates three persons, however the number of suitcases being carried must also be taken into consideration with regard to the space required in the vehicle.

PERSONALISED AIRPORT PICK-UP

If you want to book a personalised airport transfer, please download the eCab mobile app.

You can choose the option “Pick up later”, fill in your date and time of arrival and your flight number. You then can select a standard, executive or luxury executive car and pay on-line by credit card or indicate that you will pay cash.

A driver will be waiting for you in the arrival hall with a name card.



BOLT TAXI SERVICE (TXFY) APP – ONLY PAID BY CREDIT CARD

If you want to use the BOLT (formerly Taxify) App for Iphone or Android, we advise you to download it in advance (payment follows later by credit card, so no need for cash money). You can then order any taxi through this app wherever you are on the island. For a possible airport transfer the driver will not be waiting for you in the arrival hall with a name card but outside the terminal building.



PRIVACY STATEMENT/GDPR POLICY

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We are committed to respect and protect the privacy of personal data collected.

This registration procedure is made in accordance with “Regulation (EU) 2016/679 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 27 April 2016 on the protection of natural persons with regard to the processing of personal data and on the free movement of such data, and repealing Directive 95/46/EC (General Data Protection Regulation)”, EIGA AISBL as data controller and Destrée Organisation as data processor. The collection of personal information is intended only for the express purpose of organising and managing the event.

Full text of our Privacy Policy for EIGA events can be downloaded [here](#).

PICTURES AT THE EVENT

Please note that pictures and videos may be taken and used for promotional purposes on behalf of EIGA at this event. These pictures and/or videos may be used by EIGA for publicity reasons on its permanent website for an unlimited period of time.

If you do not wish to be photographed or recorded for the aforementioned purposes, please inform the photographer/cameraman at the event and/or indicate it to us at the following address dataprotection@eiga.eu before the event by sending us a clear picture of you (for identification purposes) as well as your full name.

You can exercise your rights (access, rectification, erasure, etc.) by sending an e-mail with a copy of your identity card/passport, including your picture, to dataprotection@eiga.eu.

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OUR CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT IN BRUSSELS: DESTREE ORGANISATION

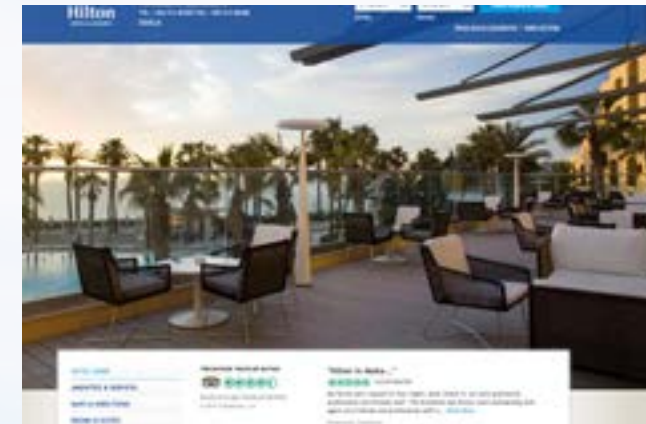


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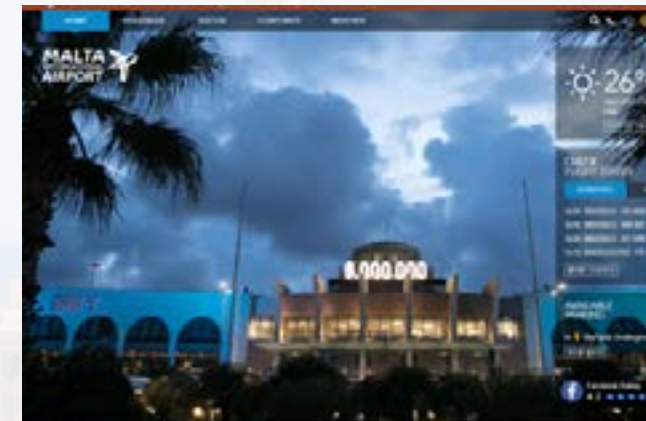
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WEATHER FORECAST

