

7. CONFERENCES AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

Godfrey Baldacchino

2010:

- November: Visiting Associate Professor at the University of Malta, Malta. Teaching courses in the Department of Sociology and the Centre for Labour Studies.
- October: Keynote speaker at the University of the Azores, Portugal, on the occasion of the international year for biodiversity. Lectures on both São Miguel and Terceira campuses.
- October: Expert member of team undertaking an external evaluation of tourism education at the University of Iceland and Hólar University College, Iceland, requested by Ministry of Education and Culture.
- September: Chair, Review Meeting of the Scientific Committee, Åland Islands Centre for Comparative Island Studies, Åland Islands, Finland.
- September: Visiting Professor, Department of Human Geography, Lund, Sweden.
- August: Co-organizer and keynote speaker at 2nd international conference of the Islands Commission of the International Geographical Union, Ven, Sweden.
- August: Participant in 11th International 'Islands of the World' Conference in Gudhjem, Bornholm, Denmark.
- July: Discussions on 2nd stage submission of a Major Collaborative Research Initiative application to the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council on employment related mobility, Halifax, Nova Scotia.
- June: Faculty, 7th Summer School on Small State Studies, University of Iceland, Reykjavik, Iceland.
- June: Participant in international workshop discussing trans-boundary governance and development, Havsvidden Resort, Geta, Åland Islands, Finland.
- May: Guest paper presenter at international workshop on sovereignty games and sub-national jurisdictions, Copenhagen University, Denmark.
- March: Guest lecturer at the Atlantic Rural Centre, Dalhousie University, Halifax NS.

2009:

- November: Paper Presenter at Workshop on Mainstreaming Small State Studies in Education, University of Malta.
- November: Paper Presenter at Workshop on the Study of Small States, Sidney Sussex College, University of Cambridge, UK.
- September: Paper Presenter at the North Atlantic Forum meeting in Bornholm, Denmark.
- September: Guest of the Giorgio Cini Foundation to discuss the Politics of Landscape, Venice, Italy.
- June: Keynote address at the 8th European Conference on Business Research Methodology, Valletta, Malta.
- May: Discussant in public forum discussing nascent neo-nationalism in Newfoundland, Memorial University, St John's, NL.
- April: Presentations and Discussions at Centre for Regional and Tourism Research, Bornholm, Denmark; and Åland Centre for Comparative Island Studies, Åland Islands, Finland.
- March: Forum Panel Member and Paper Presenter at National Metropolis Conference, Calgary, AB, Canada.
- February: Guest Lecturer at College of the Bahamas and Radio Talk Show Guest, Nassau, New Providence, Bahamas.

Anna Borg**2010:**

- December: Key speaker during a conference organised by the Department of International Relations and the European Commission Representation in Malta on National Responses to European & Global Issues – The role of gender in International Relations.
- December: Gave speech at a fund raising activity organised by the American Embassy.
- December: Speaker at a seminar "Why Are Women Always Demanding More Rights" organised by the Malta Confederation of Women's Organisations (MCWO).
- October: Participated in the United Nations review on Malta's progress made in respect to the Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) in Geneva.
- September: Attended pre-budget meeting with social partners.

- September: Delivered a presentation on training material available for increasing awareness on gender equality as part of the Valorising Rural Women Project.
- July: Delivered training to various groups on the importance of financial independence to women victims of domestic violence as part of the Dignity for Domestic Violence Survivors Project organised by the Commission on Domestic Violence.
- June: Attended the Annual General Meeting of the European Women's Lobby in Madrid.
- July: Gave input on the pension reform from a gendered perspective.
- May: Opened seminar on cohabitation organised by the Malta Confederation of Women's Organisations.
- May: Addressed a seminar organised by the Spanish Embassy.
- May: Opened an Art Exhibition held at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs called A Tribute to Mothers and gave a speech on maternal health and Sexual Health Issues organised by SOS Malta.
- May: Addressed Business Breakfast organised by MEUSAC on the occasion of Malta's 6th anniversary on joining the EU.
- April onwards: Elected as representative of the Civil Society on the core group of the Malta European Union Steering Committee (MEUSAC).
- March: Participated in the TV programme Dissett on the issue of the extension of the maternity leave.
- March: Participated in the Bondi+ TV Programme on issues related to gender equality.
- March: Organised and attended a meeting with the President of Malta and gave a speech on issues related to the advancement of women.
- March: Attended meeting at Office of the Prime Minister on the occasion of Women's Day.
- March: Gave a talk at Dingli Local Council on the occasion of Women's' Day.
- March: Attended the annual meeting organised by the Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions.
- February: Chaired part of the tripartite conference organised by the International Training Centre (branch of ILO) on 'Anticipating and Managing Restructuring' held in Malta.
- January: Organised and attended a meeting with the Archbishop of Malta – Fr Paul Cremona and gave a speech on issues related to the family and work.

- January: Attended the European Women's Lobby board meeting in Dublin.
- Board Member of the Cooperatives Board of Malta

2009:

- November: Attended the Domestic Violence Conference organised by the Commission for Domestic Violence.
- October: Attended the European Women's Lobby (EWL) Board meeting in Brussels.
- October: Attended pre-budget meetings and gave feedback on gender related issues.
- June: Attended the European Women's Lobby (EWL) Board meeting in Brussels.
- May: Organised a seminar at the University of Malta on Multi Ground Discrimination Seminar.
- Board Member of the Cooperatives Board of Malta

Manwel Debono

2010:

- December: Extraordinary General Conference & Training Seminar organised by the Malta union of Teachers. Key Note Speech entitled 'Il-Qaghda tat-Trade Unions f'Malta u r-Rwol taghhom fil-gejjieni'.
- November: Meeting in Mons (Belgium) as part of an international project called APENCH about anticipating restructuring processes. The project involves several Trade Unions and Universities across Europe. Malta is represented by the General Workers' Union and myself. In 2011 I will submit a report about a restructuring case in Malta and present it in Pescara (Italy). Another meeting will be held in Lisbon (Portugal) in June 2011 and a final conference in Malta (October 2011) (*In progress*).
- July: Meeting organised by GHK Consulting Limited about the European Employment Observatory (Belgium).
- April: Conference entitled 'Xoghol prekarju! L-uniku triq li fadal?' organised by the General Workers' Union. Contributed with a presentation entitled '*Precairous Work in Malta*'.
- March: Meeting organised by the Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Ireland).

- February: Tripartite conference organised by the International Training Centre (branch of ILO) located in Turin on 'Anticipating and Managing Restructuring' held in Malta.
- January: Meeting organised by GHK Consulting Limited about the European Employment Observatory (Belgium).
- Consultancy services to the committee in charge of setting up the Malta Career Guidance Association and subsequently to the Executive Committee of the association.
- Represented the CLS on the Board of Studies of the Master in Counselling offered by the Faculty of Education.
- Consultancy services to the DG Employment and Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities on specific employment issues.

2009:

- November: Peer Review Meeting about the topic of "Professional Traineeships for Young Adults" (Portugal). Presentation of country comments paper.
- October: Meeting organised by the Foundation for the Improvement of Living and Working Conditions (Ireland).
- June: Meeting organised by GHK Consulting Limited about the European Employment Observatory (Belgium).
- May: Peer Review Meeting about the topic 'Towards a new vocational training system more adjusted to the new competencies and skills requirements of the labour market' (Spain). Presentation of country comments paper.
- May: First Malta Career Guidance Association Annual Meeting held at the University of Malta. Presentation called 'The need for a Career Guidance Association in Malta'.
- January: Ended collaboration with the Ministry of Education on a course called: "Training for Counsellors and Guidance teachers" as part of a programme of Continuous Professional Development, organized for guidance teachers and counsellors. Four presentations were delivered about career guidance at the National Curriculum Centre, Hamrun.
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- Consultancy services to the DG Employment and Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities on specific employment issues.

Saviour Rizzo

2010:

- December: A lecturing session followed by discussion on 'The Maltese Labour Market – Current Scenario on Challenges & Trends' to guidance officers as part of a Career Related Programme organised by the Guidance Unit of the Ministry of Education.
- October: A panellist in a workshop at the international conference on 'Anticipating and Managing Restructuring in Socially Responsible Way' organised by the Belgian Presidency of the European Union in Brussels. A presentation was made about the policies and strategies related to restructuring adopted by Maltese policy makers
- July: One of the main speakers during seminar on "The Role of the Shop Steward in the 21st Century" organised by the General Workers' Union (GWU).
- March: A Presentation on "Society and the World of Work" during a seminar entitled 'Greater Needs for Well Trained Career Specialists' organised by the Malta Career Guidance Association.
- February: Two key note presentations during a tripartite conference organised by the International Training Centre (branch of ILO located in Turin) on 'Anticipating and Managing Restructuring' held in Malta.

2009:

- September: 'Corporate Strategy and Monitoring in the European Company (SE) at a time of Crisis', organised by the European Trade Union Institute (ETUI) in Vienna.
- September: 'Malta in the European Union: Five Years On and Looking to the Future' Organized by the European Documentation and Research Centre (ERDC) of the University of Malta in Radisson Blu Resort St Julian's. Presentation of paper: 'Not quite There; Europeanising Malta's Industrial and Employment Relations'.

- June: 'Developments in Workers' Involvement and Corporate Governance' Organised by the European Trade Union Institute (ETUI) in Brussels. Presentation of paper.
- March: 'European Survey on Working Conditions' organised by European Foundation for the Improvement of Working and Living Conditions in Brussels.

Edward Zammit

2010 and 2009:

- Directed the Commission for the Strengthening of Cooperatives in Malta which was established by the Ministry for Social Policy under my chairmanship. The report of the Commission was presented in January 2010 and was subsequently published by the Government.
- Board Member, *Malta Statistics Authority*.
- Chairman, *Centre for Labour Studies (until December 2009)*.
- Chairman, *Employment Relations Board, Ministry for Social Policy*.
- Editorial Board Board member, *South East Europe Review*.
- Editorial Board Board member, *FEMA Research Bulletin*.



An intervention during the tripartite conference organised by the International Training Centre (Italy) about 'Anticipating and Managing Restructuring' in February 2010