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## **Modulo per la ricerca di partner / Partner search form**

per la presentazione di progetti di cooperazione a valere sull'Avviso pubblico 2/2025 – Targeted Call del Programma INTERREG VI-A Italia-Malta / for the submission of cooperation projects under the Public Notice 2/2025 – Targeted Call of the INTERREG VI-A Italia-Malta Programme

**SEZIONE A: CARATTERISTICHE DELL'ENTE CHE RICERCA ALTRI PARTNER / SECTION A: CHARACTERISTICS OF THE ENTITY SEEKING OTHER PARTNER/S.**

**1. Anagrafica Ente / Entity data**

<b>1.1 - Nome e Cognome / Name and Surname</b>	Christopher Galea
<b>1.2 - Nome dell'ente / Name of the organization</b>	Planning Authority (PA)
<b>1.3 - Tipo di beneficiario / Type of beneficiary</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Autorità pubblica (locale, regionale o nazionale) / Public Authority (local, regional or national) <input type="checkbox"/> Agenzia Pubblica / Public agency <input type="checkbox"/> Università o Centro di ricerca / University or Research centre <input type="checkbox"/> Impresa / Enterprise <input type="checkbox"/> Organizzazione di sostegno alle imprese / Business support organisation <input type="checkbox"/> Camera di commercio / Chamber of commerce <input type="checkbox"/> Cluster / Cluster <input type="checkbox"/> Incubatore / Incubator <input type="checkbox"/> Living lab / Living lab <input type="checkbox"/> Istituto Tecnico Superiore / Higher Technical Institute <input type="checkbox"/> Istituto scolastico (di ogni ordine e grado) / Educational institution (of all levels) <input type="checkbox"/> Corpo di protezione civile e servizi di emergenza / Civil protection corp and emergency services <input type="checkbox"/> Organizzazione della società civile / Civil society organisation <input type="checkbox"/> Ente gestore di siti, riserve, parchi, aree protette / Managing body of sites, reserves, parks, protected areas <input type="checkbox"/> Associazione attiva nei settori ambientali / Association active in the environmental sectors <input type="checkbox"/> Associazione attiva nei settori della valorizzazione del patrimonio naturale e culturale / Association active in the enhancement of natural and cultural heritage <input type="checkbox"/> Ente e/o associazione di promozione della partecipazione attiva di soggetti svantaggiati / Body and/or association promoting the active participation of disadvantaged subjects <input type="checkbox"/> Associazione di consumatori / Consumer association
<b>1.4 - Status giuridico / Legal status</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ente pubblico / Public entity <input type="checkbox"/> Organismo di diritto pubblico / Body governed by public law

	<input type="checkbox"/> Ente privato dotato di personalità giuridica / Private body having a legal personality <input type="checkbox"/> Ente del terzo settore iscritto nel Registro unico nazionale del terzo settore (Runts) / Third sector entity included in the Italian National Register for Third Sector (Runts) <i>oppure / or</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Ente del terzo settore iscritto nel registro del Commissioner for Voluntary Organisations / Third sector entity registered with the Maltese Commissioner for Voluntary Organisations
1.5 - E-mail	eufunding.planning@pa.org.mt
1.6 - Website	<a href="https://www.pa.org.mt">https://www.pa.org.mt</a>

## 2. Esperienza / Experience

2.1 - Settore di esperienza / Field of experience	<input type="checkbox"/> Ricerca e Innovazione / Research and Innovation <input type="checkbox"/> Capitale umano / Human capital <input type="checkbox"/> Cambiamento climatico / Climate change <input type="checkbox"/> Rischi naturali e antropici / Natural risks and deriving from human activities <input type="checkbox"/> Economia circolare / Circular economy <input type="checkbox"/> Patrimonio naturale e biodiversità / Natural heritage and biodiversity <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Beni culturali / Cultural heritage <input type="checkbox"/> Inclusione sociale / Social inclusion <input type="checkbox"/> Turismo / Tourism <input type="checkbox"/> Innovazione sociale / Social innovation <input type="checkbox"/> Cooperazione istituzionale e reti di cooperazione / Institutional cooperation and cooperation network
2.2 Competenze dell'ente / Competences of this organisation	<p>The Planning Authority (PA) is the national agency responsible for spatial planning in the Maltese Islands. The national agency was established to regulate maritime, urban and rural planning on the Maltese islands and thus includes responsibilities related to geospatial mapping and spatial information systems, heritage management and development management services. More details may be found at: <a href="http://www.pa.org.mt">www.pa.org.mt</a></p>
2.3. - Partecipazione a precedenti progetti del Programma IT-MT / Participation in previous IT-MT Programme projects	None.
2.4 - Partecipazione a programmi e progetti finanziati da altri fondi europei / Participation	Over the past years, the Planning Authority has delved into various projects, running into millions, within the following funding programmes:

<p>in progame and projects financed by other European funds</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• European Social Fund - PA+, SpatialTrain</li> <li>• European Regional Development Fund - Sintegram</li> <li>• European Maritime and Fisheries Fund – Simwestmed, MSPMED</li> <li>• Interreg Europe – ThreeT Project</li> <li>• URBACT – Healthy Cities Project</li> <li>• Erasmus+ Key Action 1 - Accredited VET Organisation</li> <li>• Structural Reform Support Service (now TSI)</li> <li>• Horizon 2020 Cost Actions</li> </ul> <p>More detailed Information may be found at:  <a href="https://www.pa.org.mt/en/international-funded-projects">https://www.pa.org.mt/en/international-funded-projects</a></p>
<p>2.5 – Specificare se l'organizzazione intende svolgere il ruolo di capofila o partner / This organisation is willing to be a Lead Partner or partner in this IT-MT call</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Capofila / Lead Partner <i>oppure/or</i></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Partner</p>

**SEZIONE B: IDEA PROGETTUALE / SECTION B: PROJECT IDEA**

**3. Campo di interesse della candidatura e ricerca Partner / Field of Interest of the Application and partner search**

<p>3.1 - Priorità e Obiettivo Specifico/ Priority and Specific Objectives</p>	<p><b>PRIORITÀ 1 - Un'area di cooperazione più intelligente per promuovere la ricerca e l'innovazione e lo sviluppo delle competenze per la specializzazione intelligente / PRIORITY 1 – A smarter area of cooperation to promote research and innovation and the development of skills for smart specialisation</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> OS 1.1 - Sviluppare e rafforzare le capacità di ricerca e di innovazione e l'introduzione di tecnologie avanzate nell'area transfrontaliera / SO 1.1 – Developing and enhancing research and innovation capacities and the uptake of advanced technologies in the cross-border area</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> OS 1.2 - Sviluppare le competenze per la specializzazione intelligente, la transizione industriale e l'imprenditorialità dell'area transfrontaliera / SO 1.2 - Develop skills for smart specialisation, industrial transition and entrepreneurship in the cross-border area</p> <p><b>PRIORITÀ: 2 - Un'area di cooperazione resiliente, che rafforza la protezione e la preservazione della natura anche attraverso l'uso efficiente delle risorse / PRIORITY 2 - A resilient cooperation area, which strengthens the protection and preservation of nature also through the efficient use of resources</b></p>
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	<p><input type="checkbox"/> OS 2.1 - Promuovere l'adattamento ai cambiamenti climatici, la prevenzione dei rischi di catastrofe e la resilienza dell'area transfrontaliera / SO 2.1 – Promoting climate change adaptation, disaster risk prevention and resilience in the cross-border area</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> OS 2.2 - Promuovere la transizione verso un'economia circolare dell'area transfrontaliera – SO 2.2 - Promoting the transition to a circular economy in the cross-border area</p> <p><b>PRIORITÀ 3 – Un'area di cooperazione efficiente in capitale sociale attraverso il ruolo della cultura e del turismo sostenibile nello sviluppo economico / PRIORITY 3 - An area of efficient cooperation in social capital through the role of culture and sustainable tourism in economic development</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OS 3.1 - Rafforzare il ruolo della cultura e del turismo sostenibile dell'area transfrontaliera nello sviluppo economico, l'inclusione sociale e l'innovazione sociale / SO 3.1 - Enhancing the role of culture and sustainable tourism in the cross-border area in economic development, social inclusion and social innovation</p> <p><b>PRIORITÀ 4 – Un'area di cooperazione con una migliore governance tra l'Italia e Malta / PRIORITY 4 - An area of cooperation with better governance between Italy and Malta</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> OS 4.1 - Aumentare l'efficienza e l'efficacia della cooperazione nell'area transfrontaliera / SO 4.1 - Enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of cooperation in the cross-border area</p>
<p><b>3.2 - Breve descrizione dell'idea progettuale / Brief description of the project idea</b></p>	<p>The Planning Authority is interested in joining a project focused on the digitisation of heritage data. Specifically, it is interest in joining a project that would allow it to update, modernise and enhance its Scheduling/Inventory GIS database, which contains geospatial and attribute information on Malta's legally protected cultural heritage assets. The data, which was originally created in 1994 and utilised a different GIS tool; Mapinfo, migrated to ArcMap and currently ArcGIS Pro, having a total of circa 4000 items within the dataset) and now requires a comprehensive overhaul to improve its geospatial accuracy, attribute structure, data integrity and long-term sustainability.</p> <p>The project seeks to upgrade this database to enhance its usability for the various PA functions (assessment of development planning applications, policy making, plan making) and to facilitate access to this database by the wider community (including the European cultural heritage community, NGOs, academia, professionals in the field of cultural heritage and the general public) for</p>

	<p>personal, work, research and tourism use. The full scope of this project is to achieve a product that is:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. more user-friendly;</li> <li>b. INSPIRE compliant</li> <li>c. easier to maintain;</li> <li>d. more widely accessible;</li> <li>e. future resilient;</li> <li>f. easier to compile statistics from;</li> <li>g. able to assimilate information from various sources and resources in a pre-ordained manner.</li> </ol> <p>This project is therefore envisaged to lead to a more informed wider society and an improved development consent process. By-products are envisaged to include greater transparency, a higher educational and research value, better prospects of utilisation by other sectors of administration, the private sector, tourism and the wider society.</p> <p>This initiative will also be in line with the EU's Innovation policy whereby through this project opportunities for innovation and the use of emerging technologies can provide new ways of collecting, storing, presenting and disseminating information and increase cultural heritage awareness. It is through information that awareness is raised, through awareness appreciation, and through appreciation one achieves conservation.</p>
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**SEZIONE C: CARATTERISTICHE DEL PARTNER RICERCATO / SECTION C: CHARACTERISTICS BEING SOUGHT IN OTHER PARTNER/S.**

**4. Caratteristiche del partner ricercato / Characteristics of the entity being sought**

<p><b>4.1 Tipologia di partner ricercato tra quelli elencati al punto 1.3 / Type of partner being sought among the ones listed in point 1.3</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public Authority</li> <li>• Association active in the enhancement of natural and cultural heritage</li> <li>• Public agency</li> <li>• University or Research centre</li> <li>• Enterprise</li> </ul>
<p><b>4.2 - Competenze richieste del partner ricercato / Requested competence of the sought partner</b></p>	<p>The Planning Authority is looking for a lead partner with experience in project management and coordinating projects under this programme and any other partner that is interested in addressing a similar challenge of digitising heritage data. Specifically, partners with expertise and experience in the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Software development</li> <li>• Cultural heritage research</li> <li>• Cultural heritage data administration</li> </ul>

<p><b>4.3 - Attività che dovrebbero essere realizzate dal partner ricercato / Activities that should be carried out by the sought partner</b></p>	<p>Project Management: A Lead partner to draft and submit the application, coordinate the overall project, manage the consortium, carry out reporting, financial administration and communication requirements.</p> <p>Software Development: A partner to create a new digital platform and integrated web-based application for the storage and presentation of the Planning Authority's cultural heritage data. The platform should be able to consolidate all the information (text, images, and other media including audio files, VR, 3D, LIDAR, etc.) related to both existing scheduled buildings and buildings listed for scheduling and allows for the continuous updating of the inventory by non-technical PA staff. The integrated web-based application should be able to allow the public to both access and submit information on scheduled properties.</p> <p>Cultural Heritage Research and Data Administration; A partner to analyse the Planning Authority's current cultural heritage data assets and inventory system, standardise and update the way the information on each scheduled building is inputted and presented, identify information gaps and carry out the required research to obtain this information and input the data in a new platform specifically designed to store and present information related to scheduled buildings. The partner is also requested to provide training to Planning Authority staff on the methodology used on data collection and inputting so that the staff is able to seamlessly input new data in the future.</p>
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Inviare la scheda compilata all'indirizzo [stc.italia-malta@regione.sicilia.it](mailto:stc.italia-malta@regione.sicilia.it). Il Segretariato Congiunto provvederà a pubblicare la scheda di ricerca partner sul sito del programma [www.italiamalta.eu](http://www.italiamalta.eu).

Please, send the fulfilled template to [stc.italia-malta@regione.sicilia.it](mailto:stc.italia-malta@regione.sicilia.it). The Joint Secretariat will publish the partner search form on the programme website [www.italiamalta.eu](http://www.italiamalta.eu).