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COMMUNICATION ON ENGAGEMENT (COE)
SANTA LUCIJA LOCAL COUNCIL : MALTA: EUROPE

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From: QTR 4 2013 To: QTR 4 2015

STATEMENT OF CONTINUED SUPPORT BY THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OR EQUIVALENT

Date: 20 December 2015

To our stakeholders and citizens:

I am pleased to confirm that the Santa Lucija Local Council reaffirms its support to the United Nations Global Compact and its mission of promoting corporate sustainability in the areas of Human Rights, Labour, Environment and Anti-Corruption.

In this Communication on Engagement, we describe our actions to continually support the Global Compact and its principles and to engage with the initiative. We also commit to sharing this information with our stakeholders using our primary channels of communication.

Sincerely yours,

Mr Terrence Ellul

Mayor

DESCRIPTION OF ACTIONS

(1) Have a dedicated sustainability plan or a holistic city/regional plan that incorporates the ecological, economic, political, and cultural dimensions of the region's sustainability;

The Santa Lucija Local Council between 2013-2015 continued to implement its Action Plan and Environmental Programme Living Greener Living (2012-2020) which responds directly to actions that support the UNGCCP principles. The sustainable plan for this Covenant of Mayors signatory considers a number of flagship projects.

- (1) The re-use of the area adjacent to Pjazza 7 ta' Lulju;
- (2) The Trim-Trail and Olive Garden;
- (3) The Margret Mortimer School.
- (4) The areas in between Blocks XI-XIV;
- (5) The parking area opposite Binja tal-Faqqanija;
- (6) The revamping of Blocks I-VIII;
- (7) The revamping of other Apartment Blocks;

The Council continued with works in the listed areas and was targeting mostly the upgrade of social-housing blocks and the environs and there was extensive work directed at the expansion of the recreational areas including the Trim-Trail upgrade and the Chinses Garden (The Garden of Serenity).

(2) Engage at the Innovating Level – undertaking a multi-year project to address a complex or seemingly intractable issue(s) within the city or region, which is supported by leaders across business, civil society and Government.

All the projects Santa Lucija Local Council developed through its Action Plan have had an element of innovation and research. The strategic commitments of the Council are very similar to the planning commitments listed in the Local Plan that is the following targets;

1. encourage the dual or multi-purpose use and impact of existing educational facilities,
2. consolidate the provision of additional social and community facilities,
3. facilitate the 'aging in place' concept,
4. improve health facilities.

Environment is at the centre of political focus and it is crucial to harness this to the town's advantage. The environment of Malta's Garden Town is the *raison d'être* not only of its citizens but also of its visitors. For the Environmental Programme the following are the topmost priorities;

1. Wise use of resources;
2. A cleaner quieter town;
3. Redevelopment of Green amenities;
4. Sustainable Agriculture;
5. Protection of Water resources;
6. Protection of nature;

(3) Implement and promote the ten principles of the UN Global Compact in the management and administration of the city or region;

The projects delivered by Santa Lucija Local Council in the past two years which includes the Sustainable and the rehabilitation of public spaces sought to develop further the 10 principles through; democratisation in planning, transparency and new governance opportunities. These included;

- (1) Upgrade of social-housing and the environs;
- (2) Upgrading and extending recreational and Green areas;
- (3) Water Management as part of infrastructural redevelopment;
- (4) Use of Energy Efficient Lighting in the public spaces.

MEASUREMENT OF OUTCOMES

Project	UNGCCP Principle/s	Output Indicator	Result Indicator
ACTION 1	7,8,9	7 projects	60%
ACTION 2	7,8,9 & 6	2 Projects	100%
ACTION 3	7,8,9	4 Projects	100%

Project	Project Name	Output Indicator	Result Indicator	Value
ACTION 1	LIVING GREENER LIVING	1	1	NA
ACTION 2	DAY CARE INITIATIVES	1	1	NA

Project	Project Name	Output Indicator	Result Indicator	Value
ACTION 3	Refer to Section 3 Projects	4	4	c. 3M Euro investment