



Programme

Competitiveness and medium-term challenges in small open economies

The challenge of Brexit for a small open economy with close links to the UK

Marina Hotel Corinthia Beach Resort, St Julian's
Friday, 16 June 2017

09:00 – 09:30 Registration and welcome coffee



Session I: Competitiveness and the sustainability of economic growth in Malta

09:30 – 09:40 [Introduction by Mr Alfred Mifsud](#)
Deputy Governor, Central Bank of Malta

09:40 – 10:25 Publication - *Challenges and opportunities of sustainable economic growth: the case of Malta*
[Presentation](#) by Dr Aaron G Grech
Chief Officer Economics, Central Bank of Malta

10:25 – 10:40 Questions and answers
Moderator: Mr John Caruana
Head, Monetary Policy & Operations and Eurosystem, Central Bank of Malta



10:40 – 11:05 Coffee break



Session II: Medium-term challenges in small open economies

11:05 – 11:15 [Introduction](#) by Mr Alexander Demarco
Deputy Governor, Central Bank of Malta

11:15 – 11:35 [The Estonian economy in the aftermath of global financial crisis](#)
Dr Ardo Hansson, Governor, Eesti Pank

11:35 – 11:55 [Assessing the sustainability of growth in Malta](#)
Dr Mario Vella, Governor, Central Bank of Malta

11:55 – 12:10 Questions and answers
Moderator: Mr John Caruana



Session III: The challenge of Brexit for a small open economy with close links to the UK

- 12:10 – 12:20 [Introduction](#) by Mr John Caruana
In his capacity as the Central Bank of Malta Representative on the European Central Bank's International Relations Committee's Task Force on Brexit
- 12.20 – 12.35 [The impact of Brexit on the Maltese economy](#)
Mr Noel Rapa, Senior Economist, Central Bank of Malta
- 12:35 – 12:55 Competitiveness of the UK economy following Brexit
Professor Karl Whelan, School of Economics, University College Dublin
- 12:55 – 13:15 Questions and answers
Moderator: Mr John Caruana