

**The Seventh Framework R&D Programme:  
Opportunities for SMEs**

**12 June 2008  
Coastline Hotel, Salina Bay**

**Programme**

<b>8.30</b>	<b>Registration &amp; Coffee</b>
<b>9.00</b>	<b>Introductory Remarks</b> <i>Dr Gabriella Pace</i> <i>CEO – Forum Malta fl-Ewropa</i>
<b>9.10</b>	<b>Opening Address</b> <i>The Hon. Dr Chris Said</i> <i>Parliamentary Secretary for Public Dialogue and Information</i>
<b>9.25</b>	<b>The Seventh Framework Programme (FP7)</b> <i>Dr Brian Warrington</i> <i>CEO – MCST</i>
<b>9.45</b>	<b>Opportunities for SMEs in FP7</b> <i>Dr Barend Verachtert</i> <i>Head of Sector, DG Research - European Commission</i>
<b>10.30</b>	<b>Q &amp; As</b>
<b>10.45</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>
<b>11.15</b>	<b>Project Gallery - Experiences from Malta</b>
<b>12.00</b>	<b>Assistance for SMEs</b> <i>Ing. Samantha Runco</i> <i>Malta Enterprise</i>
<b>12.20</b>	<b>The National Research and Innovation Programme</b> <i>Eric Flask</i> <i>Consultant - MCST</i>
<b>12.45</b>	<b>Q &amp; As</b>
<b>12.55</b>	<b>Closing Address</b> <i>The Hon. George Pullicino</i> <i>Minister for Resources and Rural Affairs</i>

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