



**EQUAL Implementation Update
October 2008**

ESF COMMUNITY INITIATIVE EQUAL

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I - EQUAL Projects

- EQUAL 3 – Encouraging Entrepreneurship among the unemployed in Malta – **Malta Enterprise**
- EQUAL 4 – Promoting Equal Opportunities through Empowerment - **NCPE**
- EQUAL 5 – HEADSTART – **Housing Authority**
- EQUAL 7 – Integration of Asylum Seekers into Maltese Society - **FSWS**
- EQUAL 8 – Creating employment opportunities for socially disadvantaged groups through conduct of small recycling activities - **WasteServ Malta**
- EQUAL Technical Assistance – **Ministry for Social Policy**

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II - EQUAL Projects Status

- **Project activities terminated**
- **Transnational Activities concluded**
- **All EQUAL projects formed part of the National Thematic Network (NTN)**
- **Disbursements of last EQUAL payments**
- **Actual Output, Result and Impact Indicators surpassed those planned in the Programme Complement**

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OUTPUT INDICATORS

Actually realised Indicators – Final

Measures

	1A Employability	2C Entrepreneurship	4G Equal Opportunities	5I Asylum Seekers	Totals	Planned PC Indicators
No. of persons trained	23 Men 24 Women	23 Men 27 Women	19 Men 181 Women	85 Men 22 Women	150 Men 254 Women	45 Men 55 Women
Volume of training	45,984 participant hours	9,300 participant hours	1,724 participant hours	38,400 participant hours	95,408 participant hours	63,000 participant hours

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RESULT INDICATORS

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Measures

	1A Employability	2C Entrepreneurship	4G Equal Opportunities	5I Asylum Seekers	Totals	Planned PC Indicators
No. of certified beneficiaries	23 Men 23 Women	5 Men 9 Women	6 Men 96 Women	85 Men 22 Women	119 M 150 W	30 M 35 W
Success/satisfaction rate	86.5%	74%	75%	100%	84%	68%

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IMPACT INDICATORS

Actually realised Indicators - Final

Measures

	1A Employability	2C Entrepreneurship	4G Equal Opportunities	5I Asylum Seekers	Totals	Planned PC Indicators
No. of jobs created / retained	12 Men 10 Women	9 Men 7 Women	27 Women	45 Men 18 Women	66 Men 62 Women	17 Men 28 Women
Business Start-ups	n/a	4 Men 8 Women	n/a	n/a	12 Businesses	5 Businesses

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III - Financial Data

position as at October 2008

- Committed total public cost - €1,654,884.00
- Amount of contracts awarded - €1,552,524.05
- Amount paid by Treasury - €1,451,395.92
- Expenditure Certified by PA - €1,369,588.06
- Interim Payment Received by European Union - €80,518.83

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IV - Publicity and Evaluation

- EQUAL projects carried out their own publicity and awareness campaigns
- Production and broadcasting of 6-minute documentaries on each EQUAL project on local TV stations
- Launch of EQUAL Website – www.equalmalta.org
- Information and Publicity Campaign on EQUAL Success Stories
- Participation in Notte Bianca activities (a yearly grand cultural event held during the night in Valletta and which draws thousands of persons)
- Adverts on personal experience of EQUAL participants in local newspapers
- Final EQUAL ongoing Evaluation Report presented in October 2008

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V – Monitoring

- Documentary and Training Spot Checks by NSS and MA
- ESF Audit in May/June 2007
- Checks during Statements of Expenditure
- SFD an important tool for monitoring expenditure
- Regular assistance by MA and NSS officials to EQUAL projects

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**VI - EQUAL Mainstreaming
Action 3**

- Individual projects carried out mainstreaming related activities at project level
- Action 3 at Programme Level will come to an end in the EQUAL Conference on 30th October 2008
- Main deliverable is the production of a Policy Brief with recommendations to Government

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