

## **INFORMATION REQUESTED:**

### **FIONA HYSLOP'S VISIT TO BRUSSELS ON 19 OCTOBER 2016**

On 19 October 2016 Fiona Hyslop MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs and Michael Russell MSP, Minister for UK Negotiations on Scotland's Place in Europe, held meetings with Guy Verhofstadt MEP, Danuta Hübner MEP, a group of Scottish MEPs, Sebastian Remoy (President – Public Affairs, Kreab Consultancy), Vasco Cal (member of the First Minister's Standing Council on Europe) and Sir Ivan Rogers (former UK Permanent Representative to the EU).

Correspondence which is held relating to the visit is attached.

No minutes of the meetings are held.

### **FIONA HYSLOP'S VISIT TO MALTA ON 20 OCTOBER 2017**

On 20 October Fiona Hyslop MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs, visited Malta to attend the World Summit on Arts and Culture. She had lunch with Hon Owen Bonnici, the Maltese Minister of Culture, and she held meetings with Dr Ian Borg, Maltese Parliamentary Secretary for the EU Presidency and Dr George Vella, Maltese Minister for Foreign Affairs.

Correspondence which is held relating to the visit is attached.

Minutes of the meeting with the Maltese Minister of Culture are attached.

**From:** HUEBNER Danuta Maria [<mailto:danuta.huebner@europarl.europa.eu>]  
**Sent:** 19 October 2016 13:31  
**To:** [redacted] HUEBNER Danuta Maria  
**Cc:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting attendees - October 19th at 13:45

Hello,  
Thank you so much. I just checked the room ATR 08K002 and it's open. We will be leaving there in 10min.  
Warm regards  
[redacted]

[redacted]  
Office of Danuta Hübner, MEP  
European Parliament

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**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** 18 October 2016 18:37  
**To:** HUEBNER Danuta Maria <[danuta.huebner@europarl.europa.eu](mailto:danuta.huebner@europarl.europa.eu)>  
**Cc:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting attendees - October 19th at 13:45

Apologies, I realised I didn't include the name for the Minister for UK Negotiations on Scotland's Place in Europe, Michael Russell.

Kind regards,  
[redacted]

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**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** 18 October 2016 18:19  
**To:** 'danuta.huebner@europarl.europa.eu'  
**Cc:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** Meeting attendees - October 19th at 13:45

Hello,

Following up on our phone call, please find below a list of the people attending tomorrow's meeting at 13:45:

Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs, Fiona Hyslop  
Minister for UK Negotiations on Scotland's Place in Europe  
Ian Mitchell, Head of External Relations, Scottish Government

[redacted] Professor at The University of Edinburgh  
[redacted] Scottish Government EU Office  
[redacted] Scottish Government  
[redacted] Scottish Government

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,  
[redacted]

[redacted] | [Scottish Government EU Office](#) | Scotland House, Rond Point Schuman 6 | Brussels 1040  
[[redacted]

**From:** HUEBNER Danuta Maria [<mailto:danuta.huebner@europarl.europa.eu>]  
**Sent:** 10 October 2016 13:03  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting Scottish Ministers

Dear [redacted]

On behalf of Ms Huebner thank you so much for your kind request. It is with great pleasure that Ms Huebner meets the senior ministers next Wednesday. I could propose you 14 or 15h?

We could also organise the meeting in the office of Ms Huebner if you tell me how many people will accompany the ministers.

Warm regards

[redacted]

[redacted]

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**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** 05 October 2016 10:24  
**To:** [danuta.huebner@europarl.europa.eu](mailto:danuta.huebner@europarl.europa.eu); [redacted]  
**Subject:** Meeting Scottish Ministers

Dear Mrs Hübner,

I am writing to you to enquire as to your availability to meet two senior Scottish Ministers, Fiona Hyslop (Scottish Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs) and Michael Russell (Scottish Minister for UK Negotiations on Scotland's Place in Europe), on Wednesday 19 October between 11am and 4pm. We are in the process of creating a schedule for the two Ministers to engage in that day, but would like to see if you have a possibility that day

Many thanks,

[redacted]

[redacted] | **Scottish Government EU Office**  
Rond Point Schuman 6, Brussels 1040, BELGIUM |  
Email: [redacted] – Tel: +32 (0) 22 82 8334 – [redacted]



**From:** VERHOFSTADT Guy [<mailto:guy.verhofstadt@europarl.europa.eu>]  
**Sent:** 11 October 2016 11:37  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** Re: Meeting Scottish Government

Dear [redacted]  
That's perfect, our offices are PHS 5,5 C 06. Please call me if you need me to come and direct you.

Best  
[redacted]

Sent from my iPad

On 11 Oct 2016, at 10:51, [redacted] wrote:

Dear [redacted],

Thanks for your answer, 16h00 is perfect for us, we will be in the Parliament then. Would it be possible to have the meeting in your offices?

Many thanks and best regards,

[redacted]

[redacted] | **Scottish Government EU Office**

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[redacted]

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**From:** VERHOFSTADT Guy [<mailto:guy.verhofstadt@europarl.europa.eu>]  
**Sent:** 10 October 2016 16:59  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** VERHOFSTADT Guy  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting Scottish Government

Dear [redacted]

We could do 16h00on that date, the rest is totally full.

Can you let me know.

Best  
[redacted]

**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** 03 October 2016 15:39  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** Meeting Scottish Government

Dear Madam,

I sent this email last week to [redacted], and have not received an answer as yet regarding a meeting between MEP Verhofstadt and two senior Scottish Ministers, Fiona Hyslop (Scottish Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs) and Michael Russell (Scottish Minister for UK Negotiations on Scotland's Place in Europe). Do you know if there would be a possibility for a meeting on 19 October between 11am and 4pm?

Many thanks,  
[redacted]

**European Parliament Liaison Officer | Scottish Government EU Office**  
Rond Point Schuman 6, Brussels 1040, BELGIUM |  
[redacted]

[redacted]

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**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** 27 September 2016 11:33  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** Meeting Scottish Government

Dear [redacted]

I hope this email finds you well, since we saw each other at the Scottish First Minister's visit in June.

I am writing to you to enquire as to the availability of MEP Verhofstadt to meet two senior Scottish Ministers, Fiona Hyslop (Scottish Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs) and Michael Russell (Scottish Minister for UK Negotiations on Scotland's Place in Europe), on Wednesday 19 October between 10am and 5pm. We are in the process of creating a schedule for the two Ministers to engage in that day, but would like to see if Mr Verhofstadt already has a possibility that day.

Thank you and best regards,

[redacted] | **Scottish Government EU Office**  
Rond Point Schuman 6, Brussels 1040, BELGIUM |  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

<b>EU ENGAGEMENT REPORT</b>	
<b><i>This Report Should Be Submitted To Ministers And Relevant Officials Within 3 Working Days Of Engagement</i></b>	
<b>Minister (or Senior official)</b>	Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs
<b>Type of engagement</b>	Lunch meeting
<b>Date</b>	20/10/2016
<b>Who</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maltese Minister for Justice, Culture and Local Government, Owen Bonnici</li> <li>• Albert Marshall, Chair, Arts Council Malta</li> <li>• Toni Attard, Director Strategy, Arts Council Malta</li> <li>• Annabelle Stivala Attard, Arts Council Malta</li> </ul>
<b>Key Points</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Maltese Arts Council has recently published a culture strategy, Create 2020. Ms Hyslop was interested to understand more about the drivers for this work and Malta's experience in the development of its strategy.</li> <li>• The potential of developing an international collaboration fund between interested EU member states was discussed with both Creative Scotland and Arts Council Malta interested in exploring this idea.</li> <li>• The Year of Young People in 2018 and potential links with Valetta hosting the European City of Culture in the same year was discussed with particular reference to youth arts and the potential of Scottish organisations participating in events in Valletta.</li> <li>• Annabelle Stivala Attard noted current links between Maltese festivals and Scottish counterparts with particular reference to Imagine and the influence that it had on the development of Malta's Festival for Youth.</li> <li>• Ms Hyslop noted Malta's strong cultural heritage and the importance of this to tourism. The importance of cultural heritage in attracting visitors to a country who will then often experience other aspects of its culture and make return visits based on that was discussed. It is therefore of much importance for countries to present a contemporary cultural face as well as a strong heritage offer.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms Hyslop asked about Malta's position on the EU Digital Single Market proposals. Dr Bonnici noted that during their EU Presidency in the first half of 2018 there would be key aspects of these proposals that progress.</li> <li>• [redacted].</li> <li>• The Valletta Film Festival was first held in 2015 and has used elements of its programme to explore issues particular to islands. Ms Hyslop noted the experience of the Scottish islands in relation to film and suggested that there may be potential links with the Valletta Film Festival that could be developed.</li> <li>• Ms Hyslop extended an invitation to Dr Bonnici to attend the Edinburgh Festivals.</li> </ul>
<b>Actions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Potential links between The Year of Young People in 2018 and Valetta hosting the European City of Culture in the same year to be explored further.</li> <li>• Creative Scotland to share information with Arts Council Malta on Commonwealth Games Cultural Programme event held on Canna.</li> <li>• Thank you letter to be sent from the Cabinet Secretary to Dr Bonnici.</li> </ul>
<b>Attending Official(s)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• [redacted]</li> </ul>
<b>Copy List</b>	<p><b>Copy List:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minister for International Development and Europe</li> <li>• [redacted]</li> </ul>



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7<sup>th</sup> December

Dear High Commissioner

It was a pleasure to meet with you in London on 22 November and thought you might be interested in my recent visit to Malta.

I had the opportunity to attend a number of sessions at the 7<sup>th</sup> World Summit on Arts and Culture during my visit. It was a very interesting conference and I was impressed by the dynamism with which contributors addressed the common issues that cultural and creative practitioners and leaders around the world currently face.

Minister for Justice, Culture and Local Government, Hon. Owen Bonnici, kindly invited me to meet with him and representatives of Arts Council Malta over lunch and we discussed our many shared interests and areas in which we might encourage greater collaboration between Malta and Scotland into the future. For example, the Create 2020 Strategy recently launched by Arts Council Malta provides a strong example as we seek to develop a culture strategy for Scotland. We discussed collaboration between Malta and Scotland, perhaps around our Year of Young People in 2018 and Valetta's holding of the European Capital of Culture title in the same year. 'Chrysalis', Scotland's new festival of theatre for young people recently hosted a youth theatre group from Malta, Teatru Manoel Youth Theatre. They performed in one of Edinburgh's most prominent theatres, the Traverse, and have received good reviews. I would be pleased if Dr Bonnici could visit me in Scotland, perhaps during August so he can take part in our world-leading festivals.

I had a meeting with Dr Ian Borg, Parliamentary Secretary for the 2017 Presidency and EU Funding, it was interesting to hear about Malta's preparations for the forthcoming EU Presidency and how Malta are determined to lead the Presidency and re-connect with EU citizens over issues that mattered to them.

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I also met with Dr George Vella, Minister for Foreign Affairs for Malta and we had a discussion on a number of topics such as European issues, historic links with Europe and the Commonwealth. We also discussed Scotland's position on the EU Referendum result and the work of the Scottish Government in seeking to protect Scotland's place in Europe.

I found all the meetings during my visit to Malta very valuable. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all the best for your forthcoming Presidency.

I look forward keeping in touch and to further strengthening the relationship between Scotland and Malta.

*Kind regards  
Fiona Hyslop*

**FIONA HYLSOP**

**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** 19 October 2016  
**To:** [redacted] redacted] 21:10

CLASSIFICATION:OFFICIAL

Hi [redacted], I am at the airport waiting for the flight. I explained to Arts Council Malta that the LO would not need to shadow the Minister throughout. [redacted]. I will speak to them first thing. [redacted].

**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, October 19, 2016 07:33 PM  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** Re: MALTA

[redacted]

I've just had a word with Myriam Vassallo who will be our Liaison officer for tomorrow. She is suggesting that her role would normally be to shadow the minister for the whole visit. Is this your understanding and what usually happens?

[redacted]

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 18 October 2016 14:50  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: MALTA

Yes indeed. Please give me a call in the morning. [redacted]

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**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** 18 October 2016  
**To:** [redacted] redacted] 14:49  
**Subject:** RE: MALTA (Sensitive)

Perfect, thank you [redacted]. I'm travelling to Malta tonight (leaving Edinburgh right now), so perhaps we could catch up tomorrow? [redacted]

**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** 18 October 2016  
**To:** [redacted] redacted] 13:41

**To:**  
**Subject:** MALTA

[redacted])

Hi [redacted],

I'm sorry I missed your calls earlier, I was in a meeting. I had been planning to make contact with you at the hotel at some point, so it's good to be in touch.

I attach the programme I have drawn up for Ms Hyslop, which I understand has been agreed with the Private Office.

Please do get in touch if you have any questions. I am back at my desk for the next hour or so.

Best regards,  
[redacted]

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-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted]  
Sent: 18 October 2016 06:27  
To: [redacted]  
Cc: [redacted]  
Subject: RE: 7th World Summit on Arts and Culture, Valletta, Malta

[redacted]

Very good . So we shall meet tomorrow hopefully. Until then may you have a splendid day.

[redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted]  
Sent: Monday, 17 October 2016 15:11  
To: [redacted]  
Cc: [redacted]  
Subject: RE: 7th World Summit on Arts and Culture, Valletta, Malta

[redacted]

Yes, 19.00 on Wednesday at the Grand Hotel Excelsior would be fine. I'll look forward to meeting you then. I already have your contact number - mine is [redacted]

[redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted]

Sent: 17 October 2016 13:24

To: [redacted]

Cc: [redacted]

Subject: RE: 7th World Summit on Arts and Culture, Valletta, Malta

Dear [redacted]

Hello and hope this email finds you well.

I refer to your email below. I will be delighted meeting you Wednesday, but only in the evening say 19:00 at the Grand Hotel Excelsior's foyer if that is possible from your end .

Hoping to be hearing from you in due course.

Regards,

[redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted]

Sent: Monday, 17 October 2016 12:41

To: [redacted]

Cc: [redacted]

Subject: RE: 7th World Summit on Arts and Culture, Valletta, Malta

[redacted]

Thank you for getting in touch. I will be supporting our Minister at the conference along with Chris Nicholson, so will look forward to meeting you. I will be attending the conference on Wednesday, so perhaps we could meet then and speak about arrangements for Ms Hyslop's attendance on Thursday?

Best wishes, [redacted]

[redacted] | Culture and Historic Environment Division | Directorate for Culture, Tourism and Major Events | Scottish Government | 2H-North, Victoria Quay, Edinburgh, EH6 6QQ | [redacted]

-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted]

Sent: 17 October 2016 07:48

To: [redacted]

Cc: [redacted]

Subject: RE: 7th World Summit on Arts and Culture, Valletta, Malta

Hi [redacted],

Please see the Liaison officer details below for Malta.

Thanks,

[redacted]

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-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted]

Sent: 17 October 2016 07:38

To: [redacted]

Cc: [redacted]

Subject: FW: 7th World Summit on Arts and Culture, Valletta, Malta

-----Original Message-----

From: [redacted]

Sent: Sunday, 16 October 2016 17:15

To: [redacted]

Cc: [redacted] Subject: 7th World Summit on Arts and Culture, Valletta, Malta

Kindly pass on to the person concerned.

Dear [redacted]

For the Kind Attention of Mr. [redacted]

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you most cordially to our Maltese Islands for the 7th World Summit on Arts and Culture.

My name is [redacted] and I shall be performing my duties as a Liaison Officer with Her Excellency Fiona Hyslop during the day of the 20th October.

On the day I shall present myself at the Grand Hotel Excelsior at 7 30 am, an hour prior the pick up to the Mediterranean Conference Centre where the event is taking place and will accompany Her Excellency all day through according to her exigencies and requests.

Should you request further information kindly contact me on my mobile no [redacted] or on my email.

Looking forward for this great event.

With sincere regards.

[redacted]

**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** 14 October 2016 14:10  
**To:** [redacted]  
Dear [redacted],

I can confirm that Ms Archer will attend the lunch, detailed below.

Kind regards,

**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** 14 October 2016 12:57  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Malta

Thanks [redacted]– details below from Ms Hyslop's briefing pack. [redacted]

12.30-14.00 Lunch Venue: Sacra Infermeria

Ms Hyslop has been invited to join Hon. Owen Bonnici, Minister of Culture; Mr Albert Marshall, Arts Council Malta, Chair; Mr Toni Attard, Arts Council Malta, Director Strategy; and Ms Annabelle Stivala Attard, Arts Council Malta, Director Festivals and Events

**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** 14 October 2016 12:55  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** Malta

Dear [redacted],

I will be seeing Janet this afternoon and will ask her about her availability for the lunch on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> October in Malta with Ms Hyslop, etc.

In the meantime, can you please let me know the venue for the lunch and also the start time ?

Many thanks.

Kind regards,

[redacted]

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<b>From:</b>				[redacted]
<b>Sent:</b>	10	October	2016	17:13
<b>To:</b>				[redacted]
<b>Cc:</b>				[redacted]
<b>Subject:</b>	7th World Summit on Arts and Culture, Valletta, Malta			

Dear [redacted],

H.E. Fiona Hyslop's voucher code to register for the 7th World Summit on Arts and Culture is **AC077**. She is kindly requested to register at her earliest on the summit's official website [www.artsummit.org](http://www.artsummit.org).

Please also note that accommodation for H.E. Fiona Hyslop covering the 19th and 20th October at the Grand Hotel Excelsior, Floriana is confirmed.

Should you have any difficulty do not hesitate to contact us.

Thanks and regards,



[redacted]

Festival Officer

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**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** 14 October 2016 09:49  
**To:** [redacted]; [redacted]  
**Subject:** FW: 7th World Summit on Arts and Culture, Valletta, Malta

[redacted]

Just so there is no confusion Ms Hyslop will be met by the Deputy High Commissioner and travel with her in the Embassy car from the hotel to where the conference is being held.

Thanks

[redacted]

**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** 14 October 2016 08:39  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** 7th World Summit on Arts and Culture, Valletta, Malta

Dear [redacted],

Kindly note that [redacted] will be the liaison officer for H.E. Fiona Hyslop during her stay in Malta. As advised she will come to meet her at the Grand Hotel Excelsior on 20 October 2016. [redacted] may be contacted on [redacted].

Thanks and regards,

[redacted]

[redacted]

t: +[redacted]

w: [www.artscouncilmalta.org](http://www.artscouncilmalta.org)

**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 13 October 2016 16:03  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Minister of Culture attending from Scotland

Dear [redacted], just a couple of points. H.E. Hyslop will be met by the British High Commission at the airport and have organised a VIP transfer. Therefore the liaison office will be able to meet Ms Hyslop on arrival at the Summit on the morning of the 20 October. [redacted] will make contact with you the day before (19 October) to confirm all the arrangements.

Please note that [redacted] and [redacted] will also need to be at the lunch with H.E. Hyslop as her official support. For the Gala Dinner can I request that they are seated nearby (not on the same table).

Kind regards  
[redacted]

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[redacted] [http://www.scotland.org/assets/International\\_Narrative\\_Mar\\_2016 - Culture - print ready - FINAL.pdf](http://www.scotland.org/assets/International_Narrative_Mar_2016_-_Culture_-_print_ready_-_FINAL.pdf)

**From:** [redacted] **Sent:** 13 October 2016 14:38  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** [redacted] **Subject:** RE: Minister of Culture attending from Scotland

Dear [redacted]

Many thanks for your e-mail and confirmation that H.E. Fiona Hyslop MSP, will be attending the 7<sup>th</sup> World Summit on Arts and Culture.

We have noted that H.E. Fiona Hyslop will be arriving late on the 19<sup>th</sup> and leaving on the 21<sup>st</sup> October in the morning. We have been in touch with the British High Commission and we have been informed that the Private Secretary and [redacted] will also be travelling to Malta for the Summit. We would greatly appreciate if you could forward flight and accommodation details for both and if they need accreditation. Kindly note that we will be providing a liaison officer who will be greeting the delegation on arrival and accompanying the delegation throughout.

Can you kindly let us know if H.E. Fiona Hyslop has the pleasure of joining our Minister of Culture, Chair Arts Council Malta Mr Albert Marshall, Director Strategy Mr Toni Attard and myself for a working lunch at the host venue, the Mediterranean Conference Centre on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> at 1230hrs. In terms of the Gala Dinner kindly note that H.E. will be seated on the same table as our Minister of Culture, Hon. Owen Bonnici and the dress code is lounge.

We will forward more details by end of business tomorrow.

Thanks and regards,

[redacted]

[redacted]

Director Festivals & Events

Chair – Local Committee 7<sup>th</sup> World Summit on Arts and Culture

**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 October 2016 12:39  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Minister of Culture attending from Scotland

Thank you for your response. She will require accommodation for the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> October – she flies in late on Wednesday evening and departs early on the morning of 21<sup>st</sup>.

We would appreciate receiving the following information for logistical purposes:

- Full name and designation : Fiona Hyslop, Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs, Scottish Government

- Flight details : 19th October, Brussels – Malta departing at 19:50 arriving at 22:35:

21<sup>st</sup> October, Brussels departure 07:20 to London Heathrow –

the British High Commission in Malta have organised a car for her arrival and departure.

- Dietary requirements: no oysters

Can you please provide details of the Gala Dinner and what the seating arrangements will be. Are you able to provide details of other Minister, Ambassadors or High Commissioners attending the event? Could you send me through the full registration pack.

Regards

[redacted]

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**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** 10 October 2016 11:29  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** RE: Minister of Culture attending from Scotland

Dear [redacted],

On behalf of the International Federation of Arts Councils and Culture Agencies (IFACCA), Arts Council Malta and the Ministry of Justice, Culture and Local Government, I write to express thanks for H.E. Fiona Hyslop MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Europe and External Affairs of Scotland's interest in attending the 7<sup>th</sup> World Summit on Arts and Culture being held in Valletta, Malta.

As per e-mail below does H.E. Fiona Hyslop MSP, requires accommodation for the night of 20<sup>th</sup> October, 2016 only? Please also advise regarding details requested for Gala Dinner.

We would appreciate receiving the following information for logistical purposes:

- Full name and designation
- Flight details
- Dietary requirements

Should you have any queries or requests concerning registration or general information, please contact:  
[redacted]

Yours sincerely,

Arts Council Malta

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t: [redacted]w: [www.artscouncilmalta.org](http://www.artscouncilmalta.org)

**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 October 2016 11:03  
**To:** [redacted]ACM  
**Cc:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** Minister of Culture attending from Scotland  
**Importance:** High

Dear [redacted], please see the email below from Fiona Hyslop, Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs, accepting the invitation from Minister Bonnici to attend IFACCA. Could you please send me through confirmation of accommodation for the Minister, contact information about a Liaison officer and details on the Gala Dinner on the evening of 20<sup>th</sup> October.

Ms Hyslop will attend only for Thursday 20 October as she has other business to attend before then. Please let me know if you require any further details and I look forward to hearing from you.

Regards

[redacted]

[redacted] | Culture, Tourism and External Affairs | Scottish Government | 2H-North, Victoria Quay, Edinburgh, EH6 6QQ | +44 [redacted][http://www.scotland.org/assets/International\\_Narrative\\_Mar\\_2016 - Culture - \\_print\\_ready - FINAL.pdf](http://www.scotland.org/assets/International_Narrative_Mar_2016_-_Culture_-_print_ready_-_FINAL.pdf)

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**From:** [redacted] **On Behalf Of** Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs  
**Sent:** 05 October 2016 15:50  
**To:** 'Owen.bonnici@gov.mt'  
**Cc:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** World Summit on Arts and Culture in Malta  
**Importance:** High

Dear Minister,

Thank you for your invitation to Fiona Hyslop MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs, to attend the World Summit on Arts and Culture in Malta.

The Cabinet Secretary would be pleased to accept your kind invitation. Could you please contact [redacted] [redacted] to confirm the arrangements.

Regards,

[redacted]

[redacted]

Office of Fiona Hyslop, Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs

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**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** 17 October 2016 12:39  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** FW: Fiona Hyslop attendance at IFACCA  
**Importance:** High

Dear [redacted],

As per our telecon, hereunder please find request from Scotland,

[redacted]

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t: [redacted]

w: [www.artscouncilmalta.org](http://www.artscouncilmalta.org)

**From:** [redacted]  
**Sent:** Monday, 17 October 2016 13:36  
**To:** [redacted]  
**Cc:** [redacted]  
**Subject:** [redacted]  
**Importance:** High

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I am looking to finalise our Cabinet Secretary's briefing for her attendance at the conference on Thursday. I hoped you may be able to provide the following information as soon as possible:

- biographies (including photographs) of:

- Hon. Owen Bonnici
- Mr Albert Marshall
- Mr Toni Attard
- Ms Annabelle Stivala Attard

- further details of the Gala Dinner, such as a running order, and any further details (including biographies if possible) of others that will be joining the same table as the Cabinet Secretary.

Thank you and best wishes,

[redacted]

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