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New Catalysts to Sustain Future Growth

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Programme

8.15am **Registration and Coffee**

9.00am **Welcome Address**
Mr Kenneth Farrugia - Chairman, Malta Funds Industry Association

9:15am **The Importance of the Financial Services Industry to the National Economy**
Hon. Professor Edward Scicluna – Minister for Finance, Government of Malta

9:35am **Keynote Speaker – Trends in the Asset Management Industry**
Mr Peter de Proft - Director General, European Fund and Asset Management Association

10:00am **Panel Discussion – Legal and Regulatory Innovation in the Malta Funds Industry – Key Catalysts to Sustain Business Growth Going Forward**
Malta has experienced consistent growth in the funds industry. This is due to a number of key benefits. However, this success and these benefits cannot be taken for granted. As the industry grows in size and complexity, the competitive dynamics become more sophisticated. The discussion aims to identify the key innovations that build upon the many strengths of the industry and which meet the challenges of the fast growing evolving industry.

Dr Andre Zerafa – Partner, Ganado Advocates
Dr Michael Xuereb – Director Regulatory Development, Malta Financial Services Authority
Mr Joe Camilleri – Partner, PricewaterhouseCoopers
Mr Ronald Attard – Managing Partner, EY
Ms Sarah Camilleri – Director, KPMG
Dr Kurt Hyzler – Associate, GVZH Advocates

10:40am **Coffee Break**

11:00am **Panel Discussion - Opportunities for Malta's Fund Industry in the Alternative Investment Fund Space**
Amongst the various alternative investment fund structures, private equity, venture capital, loan funds and infrastructure funds have become a fast growing market which provides significant investment opportunities. However, their controversial financial model has both critics and advocates. The panel seeks to identify investor trends, assess the impact of new regulatory regimes such as the EUVECA Regulations as well as highlight how typical structures might be set up.

Dr Louis de Gabriele – Partner, Camilleri Preziosi
Dr Marina Grech – Associate, Ganado Advocates
Mr Marc Alden – Tax Services Leader, Deloitte Malta
Mr Chris Casapinta – Country Leader, Alter Domus
Mr Joseph Camilleri – Head of Business Development, Valletta Fund Services Limited

11:45am **Panel Discussion – Custody – Challenges and Opportunities**
The number of Custodians operating in Malta presents a challenge for the growth of the industry. Is the Custody passport the solution? Will the growth in the industry drive Custodians to operate from Malta? What are the other challenges and opportunities that Custodians face? What are the strategies that may be considered to attract business which is not necessarily dependent on domestic custody service obligations?

Ms Natacha Ebener – Chief Operations Officer, Reyl & Cie (Malta) Ltd
Mr Francesco Scotto – Chief Executive Officer, Zarattini International Limited
Mr Andrew Zarb Mizzi – Senior Executive Officer, Swissquote Financial Services (Malta) Ltd
Mr Paul Mifsud – Managing Director, Sparkasse Bank Malta plc

12:15am **Increased Supervision in Asset Management – MFSA's Thematic Reviews**
Dr Christopher Buttigieg – Director Securities and Markets Supervision Unit, Malta Financial Services Authority

12:45pm **Closing Remarks and Networking Lunch**

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