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**MIRIAM DALLI**

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## CLEANER AIR AND ENERGY

Cleaner air and energy sources lessen health problems such as respiratory conditions and cancer. In this context, the environment and energy sectors are a priority for Miriam Dalli.

Miriam worked on the **EU's Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG)** strategy, to address the dependence on polluting sources by various countries. She's working on EU legislations to further reduce pollution from different industries, including transport, construction and waste. Miriam's work in these sectors was recognised in March 2016, when she was chosen as the MEP of the Year for her commitment towards clean energy and climate change.



## SOCIAL JUSTICE

Miriam is aware of several social challenges and thus, she committed to be the MEP who gives a voice to vulnerable members in our society. Throughout 2016, she worked relentlessly for greater **access to education** to all students.

She discussed the needs of students with **Autism, Dyslexia** and **ADHD** with the University Rector, and afterwards, successfully organised a seminar on Autism & Education to continue creating awareness on the different needs of these students.

Miriam also sought to increase awareness on **Mental Health**, with regular meetings with local stakeholders and mental health patients. In 2016, she also focused on cyberbullying and other aspects which can affect the mental health of children and adolescents.



## SECURITY AND IMMIGRATION

Miriam was one of the MEPs who called for more **children protection**, through improved alert mechanisms and increased cooperation between countries, so that children declared missing are rescued or found at the earliest.

On Immigration, Miriam served as one of the main negotiators on the **return document for third-country nationals** staying illegally in the EU.

She also worked on short-stay VISA waivers for small countries who have good relations with the EU.



## COLLABORATION WITH STUDENTS

### MORE CIVIL RIGHTS

Miriam Dalli is vociferous on LGBTI rights. In 2016, she contributed in a position paper of the Socialists & Democrats, which called for safeguarding of civil rights and a coordinated effort to extinguish **homophobia**.

Miriam believes that students have an instrumental role to put into practise what is being decided on a European level. Throughout the past year, Miriam Dalli collaborated with various students on projects related to **water conservation, environment and sustainability**.



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“I entered politics to make a difference, and to give a voice to all those who every day face great challenges in their personal lives. This is what I've done in 2016, and during the upcoming year I want to continue representing the Maltese and Gozitan citizens to the best of my abilities, in aspects which may affect them both personally and professionally.”

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## TO DATE

 **99%**

**participation in votes** taken during plenary sessions

 **235**

**meetings held in Brussels** held with International Organisations and high officials of European Institutions

 **167**

**meetings held in Malta** with local stakeholders, government entities, unions and civil society.

 **157**

**Parliamentary Questions** on the Youth Guarantee, vehicle emissions, Libya and Syria, Immigration, forced marriage of children, Geo-Blocking, sexual abuse on children, coordinated efforts against terrorism and radicalisation, and the use of wild animals in circuses, among others.

### MIRIAM DALLI CONCLUDED HER WORK ON 14 REPORTS:

- The activities of the European Ombudsman in 2015
- Short-stay visa waivers for Tuvalu, Marshall Islands, Micronesia, and Solomon Islands
- European Travel Document for the return of third-country nationals staying illegally in the EU
- Fight against human trafficking in the EU's external relations
- Reduction of pollutant emissions from road vehicles
- The European Fund for Strategic Investments
- Blue Economy
- EU Energy Security Strategy
- European Ombudsman Report on Frontex
- Anti-Bureaucracy measures through digital systems
- Legislation on vehicles' surveillance

## Miriam Dalli is a member of:

- **Committee on the Environment, Public Health & Food Safety**
- **Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice & Home Affairs**
- **Committee on Industry, Research & Energy**
- **Committee on Petitions**
- **Committee of Inquiry into Emission Measurements in the Automotive Sector**
- **Delegation for relations with the Maghreb countries & the Arab Maghreb Union**
- **Delegation for the EU-Armenia, EU-Azerbaijan and the EU-Georgia Parliamentary Committees**

## Highlights of the year:

- Chosen as the MEP of the Year for her work on climate change & the energy sector
- Elected to serve as the S&D Coordinator of the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety Committee
- Worked on the European return travel document regulation and visa waiver legislations.

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