EAP Spring Meeting
29-30 May, 2020 | Valletta, Malta
Invitation

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

We are proud to announce that the EAP Spring Meeting will take place from 29 – 30 May 2020 in Valletta, Malta.

This year we will meet at the Grand Excelsior hotel, nestled between the 16th century bastion walls of Valletta, the capital of Malta and a UNESCO World Heritage site. This is the perfect location and time to continue the mission of the European Academy of Paediatrics (EAP): to promote child health and to harmonize standards of paediatric training and services throughout Europe. Join our National delegates to discover new knowledge, promote research and ensure continuing professional development.

Now, more than ever, we need to support each other, and show that the welfare of children should transcend national boundaries and politics. In this increasingly fragmented society, there is no better forum than the EAP Spring Meeting to share knowledge, experience and expand personal contacts with colleagues across Europe and beyond.

We urge you to participate and to help us form a strong and unified team, working for the advancement of our children's health. See you there!

Prof. Adamos Hadjipanayis
EAP President
About

Valletta, where the past underlines the present
Valletta was declared European Capital of Culture (ECoC) on the 12th October 2012. The Valletta 2018 Foundation was responsible for compiling the bid for Valletta as an ECoC and is in charge of implementing the project.

Valletta hosted the title of European Capital of Culture in 2018 with a partner Dutch city, Leeuwarden. The ECoC included all the Maltese Islands, with an aim to spread its impact throughout the whole Maltese territory.

Unlike other European capitals, which grew from small settlements into villages, towns and eventually cities, Valletta was built on a plan. Highly advanced for the time, the Valletta city plan was based on a grid system - a bit like modern-day Manhattan - with parallel streets crisscrossed at right angles. This makes the Maltese capital very easy to navigate.

Valletta is small, and it is quite possible for most people to explore the whole city on foot. Get hold of a good street map - or use the one on your mobile device - and you can get around town without any problem. However, do keep in mind that Valletta is quite hilly, and some streets dip rather steeply towards the harbour. Luckily, the original town-planners thought of minimising discomfort for walkers by introducing steps on the steeper streets.
Local Attractions
1. Mdina
2. Valletta
3. Three Cities (Vittoriosa, Senglea and Cospicua)
4. Ggantija Temples (Gozo)
5. Gozo & Comino
6. Hal Salfieni Hypogeum
7. Malta National Aquarium
8. Marsaxlokk (a local fishing village)
9. Bird Park
Top activities to do in Valletta

Visit St Barbara’s Bastions for a breathtaking sunrise over the Grand Harbour
Stop by the Upper Barakka Gardens for the noon Saluting Battery
Walk around Fort St. Elmo
Attend a lunch time concert at the beautiful Baroque church of Saint Catherine of Italy
Catch the ferry to the Three Cities and/or Sliema
Take a boat ride on a typical Maltese ‘dghajsa’ across the harbour to the medieval town of Birgu and visit Fort St. Angelo, the scene of the valiant battle during the Great Siege of 1565
Attend a concert at Manoel Theatre, one of the oldest theatres in Europe

Recommended Museums to visit

National Museum of Fine Arts
National War Museum
Cathedral Museum
St. James’ Cavallier
National Museum of Archeology

Recommended Churches to visit

St John’s Co-Cathedral
Parish Church of St. Augustine
Carmelite Church
Anglican Cathedral of St. Paul
Church of St. Catherine of Italy
General Information

Meeting Dates: 29-30 May 2020
Meeting Venue: Grand Hotel Excelsior

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*Fees for full participant include: Meeting badge, participation in all sessions, printed material, invitation to the EAP dinner on Friday, Saturday night networking evening, lunch (Friday & Saturday), coffee breaks.

**Fees for participant meeting only include: Meeting badge, participation in all sessions, printed material, lunch (Friday & Saturday), Friday night EAP Dinner and coffee breaks.
Grand Hotel Excelsior

27-30 May 2020

Deluxe Room

Distance from Airport: 7 km
Transfer Duration: Approximately 15 minutes

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