



Programme of Initiatives 2014

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The Digital Malta Strategy will be supported by a yearly Programme of Initiatives which will include detailed ICT initiatives that will contribute towards the objectives and actions of Digital Malta. This document presents the detailed ICT initiatives for 2014. For reference purposes, each initiative is being linked to an action within the Digital Malta Strategy.

The Programme of Initiatives is composed of 142 initiatives being implemented by various entities. These initiatives fall under the relevant Digital Malta Strategic Theme and the following table represents the breakdown of the initiatives under the Strategic Themes. In addition four initiatives are related to the setting up of operational bodies or structures to support the delivery of the strategy.

<i>Strategic Theme</i>	<i>Number of Initiatives</i>
<i>Digital Citizen</i>	13
<i>Digital Business</i>	13
<i>Digital Government</i>	65
<i>Regulation & Legislation</i>	8
<i>Infrastructure</i>	23
<i>Human Capital</i>	16
<i>Structures</i>	4
<i>Total</i>	142

DIGITAL BUSINESS

CLOUD COMPUTING STUDY	<p>Government will carry out a study to assess which areas of its business will benefit most from Cloud Computing. The study will establish which areas are feasible to be fast-tracked, which service delivery model is the more appropriate, and which deployment models should be adopted (public, private, hybrid or community clouds, e.g. a private cloud for schools, a community cloud for SMEs, etc.). Government will adopt the recommendations put forward in this study and initiate the planning and implementation processes.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 18
CLUSTERING FOR EXCELLENCE – CIP PROJECT	<p>The establishment of three formal clusters (one of them being highly ICT-driven) will be facilitated. Knowledge will be gained from other advanced operational clusters.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 20
EBUSINESS AWARDS (2014)	<p>eBiz Awards - The annual eBiz awards will be held with a view to showcasing and promoting the best 'ICT in business' solutions implemented in Malta.</p> <p><i>Owner: MCA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 16
E-COMMERCE STRATEGY	<p>An e-commerce strategy which will set out Government's policies on e-commerce will be published. It will identify a set of initiatives to be undertaken over the coming three years.</p> <p><i>Owner: MCA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 20
ICT SPONSORSHIPS	<p>A grant for the implementation of an innovative ICT project of value and relevance to society will be offered. It will be selected from a short list of projects presented during the Workshop ICT event organised by the University of Malta.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 25
INNOVATION AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT	<p>In 2014 the MCA will consolidated the forward looking aspect vis-a-vis innovation in the communications industry by setting up an internal function to oversee technology developments and related challenges and opportunities, and to ensure that Malta continues to provide a holistic supporting environment for newly emerging industries.</p> <p><i>Owner: MCA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 25

MITA INNOVATION HUB	<p>An ICT Innovation Platform will be set up at Smart City Malta. This initiative will represent seed investment to kick start the exciting prospects for a future vision of the township to become an emergent hi-tech web-enabled cluster. The platform will complement and support existing incubators and innovation centres offering another alternative to students, start-up founders, innovators and ICT companies. The platform will synergise efforts to show-case and implement the best innovations in areas of special interest to the national economy and society.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 25
OPEN CALL FOR STARTUPS – MIH2015/001	<p>Awarding of two €15,000 grants for two proof-of-concept projects combining public data with a mobile app to address pain points in two thematic areas in public administration.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 25
PARK MAJJISTRAL COMPETITION	<p>A call for applications for the development of an educational cross-platform mobile application for Park Majjistral will be issued. The application will support the aims of the Majjistral Nature and History Park with respect to the protection and awareness of Malta’s natural habitat, flora and fauna in the context of a healthy lifestyle.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 20
POLICY ON DISRUPTION TECHNOLOGY	<p>A High Level Working Committee will be set up to identify the benefits, challenges and opportunities for Malta to become a leader in the field of cloud computing. The study will furthermore establish a roadmap for a pro-innovative framework (security and legal, fiscal, standards and certification).</p> <p><i>Owner: MCA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 18
TRAINING FOR VULNERABLE ENTERPRISES	<p>Jointly with industry representatives, training providers and the Community Technology Learning Centres (CTLIC), Government will identify, promote and facilitate training opportunities for enterprises in sectors considered vulnerable.</p> <p><i>Owner: MCA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 15
WEBCHECK - HOSPITALITY SECTOR	<p>Assistance to organisations within the Hospitality sector to make better use of the Internet and social media. Participants receive free expert advice on how they can capitalise on these platforms and how to continue developing their online strategy.</p> <p><i>Owner: MCA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 12

WEBCHECK – SPORTS
ORGANISATIONS

Assistance to sports organisation to help them make better use of the Internet and social media. Participants receive free expert advice on how they can capitalise on these platforms and how to continue developing their online strategy.

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DIGITAL CITIZEN

BESMARTONLINE 2	<p>Internet safety for minors - In conjunction with key local stakeholders, Government will continue to participate in the EU Safer Internet Programme. This will include a series of media campaigns, publications, school campaigns and information days targeting children, their parents/carers, and educators.</p> <p><i>Owner: MCA</i></p>	<p>Related to Digital Malta Action: 3</p>
CTLC	<p>Consolidating the CTLC network - Together with non-governmental organisations (NGOs), local councils and other community organisations, Government will continue, to develop the existent CTLC network.</p> <p><i>Owner: MCA</i></p>	<p>Related to Digital Malta Action: 1</p>
EMPOWERING OLDER CITIZENS WITH DIGITAL SKILLS	<p>MITA has embarked on a pilot project aimed at empowering older citizens with basic digital skills while also exploring the effectiveness of peer training.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	<p>Related to Digital Malta Action: 3</p>
FITA - VODAFONE SPONSORSHIP SCHEME	<p>An agreement with Vodafone Foundation Malta to support persons with a visual or hearing impairment.</p> <p><i>Owner: FITA</i></p>	<p>Related to Digital Malta Action: 3</p>
FREE WI-FI ACCESS	<p>Free access to wireless Internet - A free Wi-Fi access service in public spaces will be coordinated. A wider and more resilient service will be provided.</p> <p><i>Owner: MCA</i></p>	<p>Related to Digital Malta Action: 6</p>
IT ACCESSIBILITY MINI EXPO	<p>Make IT About You! Half day event held on 2nd December with demonstrations and talks about accessible ICT.</p> <p><i>Owner: FITA</i></p>	<p>Related to Digital Malta Action: 4</p>
LIVEICT 'EAGEING' (PROJECT – EINCLUSION)	<p>Government will continue to promote ICT use by the elderly to encourage and facilitate active ageing and digital inclusion.</p> <p><i>Owner: MCA</i></p>	<p>Related to Digital Malta Action: 3</p>

NETWORKED (ENTER)	<p>ICT competences for better employability and workforce adaptability - Government will carry out a nationwide awareness campaign aimed at helping adults understand ICT and inspiring them to go online by explaining the benefits this can offer. In addition, two training programmes will be carried out. The first programme will introduce participants to the basics of ICT in daily life contexts whilst the second will focus on the use of ICT in work related scenarios.</p> <p><i>Owner: MCA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 1
ONE TABLET PER CHILD	<p>To introduce tablets in the Primary Classroom and maximise the benefits that this technology brings to teaching and learning.</p> <p><i>Owner: MEDE</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 7
ONE-TO-ONE MENTORING CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS	<p>In collaboration with MITA, FITA coordinates the provision of ICT mentoring services for disabled persons who for different reasons are not able other formal ICT courses.</p> <p><i>Owner: FITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 3
STOPHATE CAMPAIGN	<p>A campaign to raise awareness on cyber bullying. Further information is available on: www.stophate.org.mt.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 2
STUDENT ADVANTAGE SCHEME	<p>As part of its ongoing commitment to education, Government announced the Student Advantage - a new offer which will make it easy for students to use the latest version of Office at their education institution and at home. Through the new Student Advantage, the students will be able to use various Office 365 Education cloud based productivity tools that will help them to communicate and collaborate more efficiently, access assignments in shared workspaces, synchronise their notes using OneNote and use familiar applications such as Word, PowerPoint and Excel anywhere, anytime and across virtually any device (PC, Mac, Windows, Android, iOS). The offer allows students to synch up to five different devices.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 4
WIRELESS ACCESS FOR MOBILE DEVICES IN SCHOOLS	<p>This is a pilot project for the setting up of wireless access in schools.</p> <p><i>Owner: MEDE</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 7

DIGITAL GOVERNMENT

'ENERGY SAVING' GAME FOR MOBILE DEVICES	<p>A mobile app to educate on domestic energy consumption.</p> <p><i>Owner: MEH - Energy</i></p>	<p>Related to Digital Malta Action: 34</p>
ADVANCED PASSENGER INFORMATION SYSTEM	<p>A system whereby air flights/sea passenger vessels arriving from outside of the Schengen zone will electronically provide passenger manifest prior to arrival in Malta will be implemented. The system will automatically run a risk assessment on each passenger and flag any high risk passengers in advance of their landing in Malta. The system is planned to reduce immigration formalities while at the same time increasing border control security.</p> <p><i>Owner: MHAS</i></p>	<p>Related to Digital Malta Action: 34</p>
BACK OFFICE SYSTEM – COMMERCE DEPARTMENT	<p>The Commerce Department will implement a new back-office application which will improve the IP Office internal procedures in order to process trademarks and designs thus eliminating any manual processes. The new software integrates with the front office tools and is based on workflows / tasks which will improve the quality of work within the office.</p> <p><i>Owner: MEIB</i></p>	<p>Related to Digital Malta Action: 34</p>
CHILD CARE SYSTEM	<p>Education will implement an IT system which is to be used in monitoring attendance and remuneration of child care centres - Child Care Facilities.</p> <p><i>Owner: MEDE</i></p>	<p>Related to Digital Malta Action: 35</p>
CORPORATE TRAVEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM	<p>The Financial Policy and Management Directorate within the Ministry for Finance will be implementing a Corporate Travel Management System to automate the workflow for official travel involving Public Service employees. The system will be used to manage all supporting documentation, make the approval process more efficient and monitors all related travel expenditure for increased transparency, accountability and improved budgeting process.</p> <p><i>Owner: MFIN</i></p>	<p>Related to Digital Malta Action: 34</p>
COURTS SIMPLIFICATION MEASURES	<p>A number of initiatives will be implemented at the Law Courts. Legal Professionals will have on-line access to a more comprehensive set of court case information through a number of new electronic services using a device of their choice connected to the internet. A number of electronic (SMS/e-mail) notification services will be introduced. These will provide real time information to interested parties thereby expediting Court processes and increasing transparency. Acts originating from cases in Malta and Gozo can be filed irrespective of the location of the Court. This will expedite the filing process and eliminate the burden of travelling between islands.</p> <p><i>Owner: MJCL</i></p>	<p>Related to Digital Malta Action: 34</p>

CUSTOMS ACCOUNTING AND BONDED WAREHOUSE SYSTEMS	<p>The Customs Accounting and Bonded Warehouse Systems will be enhanced to interface with the new Customs Import/Export System.</p> <p><i>Owner: MFIN</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
CUSTOMS DUTIES CALCULATOR MOBILE APPLICATION	<p>To develop a responsive mobile application. This will be used by local citizens and/or economic operators, to calculate the duties and taxes when importing commodity goods to Malta.</p> <p><i>Owner: MFIN</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
CUSTOMS IMPORT / EXPORT SYSTEM	<p>The new Customs Import/Export System will be implemented together with all the integration and interfaces to other third party ancillary systems. The new solution will also serve as the platform for future requirements such as the Automated Import System (AIS), Automated Export System (AES) as well as the proposed EU centralised clearance.</p> <p><i>Owner: MFIN</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
DIER INSPECTORATE SYSTEM	<p>Perform enhancements to the DIER Inspection System</p> <p><i>Owner: MSDC</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
DIGITAL ASSET MANAGEMENT	<p>The Ministry for Tourism will be conducting research and testing the use of 'Digital Asset Management' solutions that can be implemented to facilitate the storage and management of media files generated in relation to EU funded projects.</p> <p><i>Owner: MOT</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AT THE NATIONAL BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE	<p>A document management system will be implemented at the National Blood Transfusion Service (NBTS) to cater for the review, revision, history and archival of documents. The system will provide the necessary functionality and audit facilities for the documentation of all steps pertaining to document and process management, training management and supplier management, which will be traceable and reliable, and changes to documents will be acted upon from within the system, reviewed, dated, and endorsed by the authorised person. The system will bring the NBTS in line with good practice as specified in the EU Blood Directive and in line with local legislation with regards to documentation.</p> <p><i>Owner: MEH - Health</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 36
DSS ONLINE SERVICES AND SIMPLIFICATION MEASURES	<p>A number of initiatives will be implemented to simplify a number of DSS services.</p> <p><i>Owner: MFSS</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34

DYNAMIC ENERGY SIMULATION	<p>Designing effective policies and energy efficient measures consistent with the Maltese Climate using state of the art dynamic energy simulation.</p> <p><i>Owner: MEH - Energy</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
EFEEES	<p>The project will primarily address the following recommendation made by the Justice Reform Commission – “Għandu jsir użu tal-ICT biex it-taxxi jkunu jistgħu jinħadmu b’mod kompjuterizzat. Din is-sistema għandha tiġi żviluppata b’mod li l-klijenti jkollhom idea tal-ispejjeż inkorsi man mano li l-kawża tkun għaddejja”. It will also bring about a much needed business process reengineering, a technology refresh and increase the transparency of the case taxation process.</p> <p><i>Owner: MJCL</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
E-LEARNING SOLUTION	<p>Implementation of new functionality in the E-Learning Solution</p> <p><i>Owner: MEDE</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 35
ENABLING IDEAS THROUGH THE CLOUD	<p>A joint event being organised with IBM at SmartCity to provide this technology vendor with the opportunity to illustrate their contribution to MITA Innovation Hub stakeholders. This initiative includes also a bootcamp offering Bluemix training by IBM experts to start-ups, software vendors and developers.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 31
ENTERPRISE COLLABORATION PLATFORM	<p>MITA will be offering a platform to the public service that will enable for the collaboration of information and documents. The platform will be made available to all government ministries and departments and each portal hosted upon will be managed by the respective function owner or Office of the CIO.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 28
EPROGESA	<p>New functionality to enhance the services used at the National Blood Transfusion Service (NBTS) will be established in a number of areas. These areas include the interfacing of automated instruments to eliminate the risk of human error, the implementation of a quality control module to eliminate the fragmentation of quality control data currently collected through in-house isolated systems, and a mobile laptop module to enable the NBTS to have access to the eProgesa data during blood donation sessions in offline remote sites. This new functionality will enable full traceability of blood donations from collection to distribution including those collected from remote sites, as well as compliance with the EU Blood Directive.</p> <p><i>Owner: MEH - Health</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 36

ESERVICES FOR THE COMMERCE DEPARTMENT	<p>The Commerce Department will implement a system which will allow users to: (i) Design View. This service will be used to check and visualize existing designs across Europe, check market tendencies, obtain easy access to post-registration services in a harmonized way, help users to check the novelty of a design and in legal administrative or legal processes; (ii) Register for a trademark (TM eFiling System); (iii) Register for a design (DS eFiling System).</p> <p><i>Owner: MEIB</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
ESERVICES TO THE LEGAL PROFESSION	<p>This project will extend the Case Management, Acts and Warrant information to the offices and mobile offices of the legal profession through the deployment of a web based system. Therefore it is anticipated that the online services will facilitate and possibly expedite Courts processes as information will be available online and therefore without the need to be physically present in the Courts to gain access to it.</p> <p><i>Owner: MJCL</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
ESF4.243 'STRENGTHENING COMPETENCES TO SERVICE THE PUBLIC EFFICIENTLY THROUGH EGOVERNMENT'	<p>This project consists of 3 main components: research services, a capacity building programme for public officials and local government officials, and an educational and awareness raising campaign, the latter being aimed at the general public.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 26
ETransfers	<p>An eTransfers service will be implemented by Transport Malta to cater for simple transfer of a vehicle from one owner to another through Agents. Payment of all arrears, late license payment fees and other related fees can also be settled as part of the transfer process. Upon completion of the transfer, the e-service will print an updated logbook for the vehicle being transferred and the road licence disc, if the licence is renewed as part of the eTransfers transaction. Various reporting facilities will also be provided. This service will contribute towards the reduction of front-office queues and back-office work.</p> <p><i>Owner: MTI</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 37
EUROPEAN CONSUMER CENTRE	<p>New web facilities for the provision of information and communication facilities regarding cross border consumer issues.</p> <p><i>Owner: MSDC</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
EXCISE MOVEMENT CONTROL SYSTEM	<p>The Customs Department will extend the Excise Movement Control System in order to conform to legislation in force, as well as to increase control on highly dutiable goods and therefore reducing possibilities of fraudulent movements.</p> <p><i>Owner: MFIN</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34

FISHERIES INFORMATION SYSTEM (FIS)	<p>FIS simplifies the application of control rules. Harmonised standards for inspection activities and procedures, as well as common rules on issues such as weighing, will make for a uniform implementation of rules throughout the EU. The new measures will ultimately benefit all concerned: from Member State administrations to operators in the fisheries sector and consumers. The detailed rules set out in detail a new traceability system for the control of fisheries products. This traceability system translates the new approach into concrete practice. It will cover every stage in the chain that sees fish caught, landed, brought to market and sold. This system will allow inspectors to detect infringements at any stage of the supply chain. Citizens and businesses (e.g. restaurants, shops and retailers) will have full traceability on the fish catch in real time thorough apposite web site and mobile applications - “from net to plate”.</p> <p><i>Owner: MSDEC</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
GENDER BALANCE IN DECISION MAKING	<p>Online directory for the registration and publication of professional women in Malta.</p> <p><i>Owner: MSDC</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
GOV.MT MOBILE APP	<p>A gov.mt mobile application that will be accessible from a number of platforms will be launched.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 26
GOVERNMENT PAYROLL & HR	<p>A new version of the Government Payroll system will be launched.</p> <p><i>Owner: OPM</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
HOMER PROJECT	<p>Malta, through the Local Government Association is taking part in an EU funded project called HOMER. HOMER is the strategic MED project that focuses on the theme of Open Data, a world-wide policy aiming at making available and exploitable Public Sector Information (PSI). The overall goal of HOMER is to contribute to unlock the full potential of the PSI in the Mediterranean space, by contributing to make the area a competitive territory, able to match global competition and to ensure a sustainable growth and employment for the next generations. As one of the deliverables of the Project, a ‘HOMER Open Data Conference’ will be held during which various local and foreign stakeholders will be involved.</p> <p><i>Owner: Local Government Association</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 32
IMPORT – EXPORT SYSTEM – COMMERCE DEPARTMENT	<p>The Commerce Department will implement a system to automate and digitise the process of applications made to the Trade Services Department within Commerce Department to authorise licences in respect to import and/or export certain products which can be considered of Dual Use and of other nature.</p> <p><i>Owner: MEIB</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34

INTEGRATION OF MIGRANTS PORTAL	<p>A SharePoint web page for information and communication with third country migrants in Malta.</p> <p><i>Owner: MSDC</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
LEARNING PERMIT AND TEST SCHEDULING	<p>These two new online services have been requested by Transport Malta. These services are a breakthrough in the driving license business domain contemplating the involvement of Motoring Schools and members of the Medical profession to process the applications. These services will integrate with the DLS database through the use of adapters. Related processes will be simplified, streamlined and made more efficient always keeping in mind user centricity.</p> <p><i>Owner: MTI</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 37
LICENSING MANAGEMENT SOLUTION	<p>The Medicines Authority will implement a Licensing Management Solution to facilitate the interaction with its stakeholders and improve back-office processes. Through this implementation, the Authority aims to improve its business operations, facilitate operational efficiency, increase quality, and improve flexibility and processing lead times.</p> <p><i>Owner: MSDC</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
MEIB INTRANET	<p>The Ministry will introduce an internal intranet in order to improve employees' productivity by facilitating communication, collaboration, business process automation and analysis.</p> <p><i>Owner: MEIB</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
MFSS CASE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM	<p>The Foundation for Social Welfare Services will implement a case management system which will address the needs of the three agencies – Appogg, Sedqa and Sapport, and the foundation itself. The case management system will serve as a management tool as well as support front-line workers in their daily activities. The system will also help the foundation keep track of the current customer and community needs as well as facilitate the anticipation of future needs.</p> <p><i>Owner: MFSS</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
MITA INFORMATION SECURITY EXPO	<p>Supported an information security hackathon organised at SmartCity Malta jointly with TrustedSec.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 31

NEW CORPORATE FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SOLUTION	<p>The Treasury Department will implement a new Corporate Financial Management Solution. The new system will facilitate the implementation of Accrual Accounting methodologies and will provide a consolidated financial system, incorporating other currently isolated systems like e-ordering, invoicing, and eProcurement, for example. This system will also provide solid reporting tools that are required to provide reliable, dependable and timely information for the local and foreign requirements.</p> <p><i>Owner: MFIN</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
NSO SURVEY - BUSINESS REGISTER (BR) ENHANCEMENT	<p>The NSO regularly updates the BR for Malta by means of a Business Register Questionnaire mailed originally to all new enterprises. During 2014, Eurostat in collaboration with its European Statistical System (ESS) partners, was developing a revised model of statistical units within the Business Register. In this context the ESS members may choose profiling to define the enterprises in the frame of multinational enterprise groups. For that purpose, Eurostat wished to develop common ESS practices on profiling. Profiling aims to improve the consistency and the relevance of European business statistics.</p> <p><i>Owner: MFIN</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
NSO SURVEY - LABOUR FORCE SURVEY (LFS)	<p>The LFS is an annual review conducted among the households for the purpose of gathering information about the labour force using internationally agreed concepts and definitions. The survey is carried out using a random sample of 2,500 private households per quarter. The objective is to have a continuous assessment of labour market trends given that the reference weeks are evenly spread throughout the 13 weeks of a quarter.</p> <p><i>Owner: MFIN</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
NSO SURVEY - STRUCTURAL BUSINESS STATISTICS (SBS)	<p>The SBS [Council Regulation (EC, EURATOM) No 251/2009 of 11 March 2009] is an annual survey concerning structural business statistics, which compiles data on the structure, activity and performance of business. The SBS system contains a comprehensive set of basic variables describing business demographic and employment characteristics, as well as monetary variables (mainly concerning operating income and expenditure, or investment). The SBS survey requires restructuring each year in order to satisfy the new NSO requirements.</p> <p><i>Owner: MFIN</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34

NSO SURVEY - SURVEY ON INCOME AND LIVING CONDITIONS (SILC)	<p>The Survey on Income and Living Conditions (SILC) is a source of statistics on income distribution and aims to provide a complete set of indicators on poverty, social exclusion, pensions and material deprivation. This survey has first been conducted in the year 2005 and is currently being conducted on an annual basis in order to monitor changes in income and living conditions over the years. All data collection and analyses are carried out in line with the harmonised Eurostat methodologies so as to ensure comparability with all other EU Member States.</p> <p><i>Owner: MFIN</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
ONE STOP SHOP FOR CITIZENS - TECHNOLOGY SOLUTION	<p>The Office of the Prime Minister is working on a Project to establish a 'One-Stop-Shop for Citizens'. To facilitate the operations of this setup, an information system requires to be implemented. This information System will provide management and staff with the information and functionality required to handle a Service Request Order from the initial inquiry to the final post-delivery customer satisfaction review stage.</p> <p><i>Owner: OPM</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 27
ONLINE ELECTRONIC FORMS	<p>Government intends to increase the number of online electronic forms made available to citizens and businesses. In this respect a project to improve the central electronic forms solution has commenced which aims at significantly simplifying the form creation process. Apart from reducing the costs and efforts to deploy new electronic forms, the eForms simplification project will enable a larger number of forms to be published.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 26
ONLINE SERVICE TO LAUNCH AN APPEAL WITH THE DEPARTMENT FOR SOCIAL SECURITY	<p>A person can lodge an appeal against the Director's decision before the Social Security Umpire. Appeals may be lodged only on particular articles of the Law or important principles emerging from the Director's decision. The written appeal has to be lodged within 30 days of the day you have been informed of the decision.</p> <p><i>Owner: MFSS</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
ONLINE SERVICE TO OBTAIN A SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER	<p>If a person residing in Malta does not have a Social Security Number yet, first time applicants will need to obtain this number from the Department of Social Security.</p> <p><i>Owner: MFSS</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
OPTIMISING EGOVERNMENT SERVICES	<p>Government will commission a study to analyse how Government web sites and eGovernment services can be optimized for mobile device consumption following which Government will gradually enhance the online services.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 26

PASSPORTS SYSTEM	National Identity Management will adopt additional systems to allow for the issuance of Supplemental Access Control passports and to introduce a Single Point of Contact for the exchange between Member States of those digital certificates which enable passport security. <i>Owner: Identity Malta</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MONITORING SYSTEM (PIMS)	MITA has embarked on an initiative to transform the Manifesto Implementation System (MIS) into a common and shared application (PIMS), which can be used by a wider range of clients to monitor the implementation of projects and programmes. <i>Owner: MITA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON LAWS OF MALTA	A SharePoint web page with access across Ministries for the online submission and publication of public recommendations related to the revision of local legislation, regulation and policy, in its various stages of enactment. <i>Owner: MSDC</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 33
PUBLIC REGISTRY SYSTEM	The objective of the new system Public Registry System is to facilitate service delivery both for G2C and for G2G which will meet current and known future emerging demands, trends and legislative changes. <i>Owner: Identity Malta</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
RESIDENCE PERMIT SYSTEM	The Citizenship and Expatriate Affairs Department will implement a number of business-related enhancements aimed at facilitating foreign investment opportunities and others in accordance with the EU legislation. Enhancements will include the upgrading of the Residency Permit Card to the Supplemental Access Control protection profile and may include the implementation of a Single Application Procedure. <i>Owner: Identity Malta</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
SAP STARTUP FORUM	A workshop organised jointly with SAP on the SAP Startup Focus program for students, start-ups and ISVs – MITA Data Centre. HANA bootcamp and training workshop – MITA Data Centre. Press event to announce signing of MoU between MITA and SAP covering tuition, support and mentorship to students, academics and start-ups. <i>Owner: MITA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 31

<p>SECURE INFORMATION SHARING IN FEDERATED HETEROGENEOUS PRIVATE CLOUDS (SUNFISH)</p>	<p>The Ministry for Finance is participating in a Research and Innovation Project under the EU Funding Programme Horizon2020. Today the European Public Sector Players lack the necessary infrastructure and technology to allow them to integrate their computing clouds. Furthermore, legislative, privacy and security concerns often make it difficult to use available commercial technological solutions. The SUNFISH project aims to provide a specific and new solution to face these issues. SUNFISH will enable the secure federation of private clouds based on the Public Sector needs.</p> <p><i>Owner: MFIN</i></p>	<p>Related to Digital Malta Action: 34</p>
<p>SERVICE PROVISIONING, DISCOVERY AND GOVERNANCE PLATFORM</p>	<p>Government shall provision middleware that enables and accelerates: Data interchange between government department and entities via web oriented implementations and Publishing of data services both within the Public Administration and the General Public.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	<p>Related to Digital Malta Action: 32</p>
<p>SIMSTAT (NSO)</p>	<p>Intra-EU trade statistics (Intrastat) is the statistical domain which imposes the heaviest statistical reporting burden on businesses. For this reason, the Council asked the Commission to come up with measures to significantly reduce this burden. SIMSTAT, which stands for 'single market statistics', is the answer of Eurostat to this request. While reporting burden on businesses will be reduced, the data quality will be improved.</p> <p><i>Owner: MFIN</i></p>	<p>Related to Digital Malta Action: 34</p>
<p>SINGLE EURO PAYMENTS AREA (SEPA) PAYMENTS</p>	<p>As a result of the EU Payment Service Directive and SEPA rulebooks issued by the European Payment Council, the framework for the SEPA ePayment standard was set for all Member States to create a "single euro area in which all payments are domestic, where the current differentiation between national and cross-border payments no longer exist and therefore carrying the same basic conditions, rights and obligations, regardless of their location". Several Government financial applications have been identified and are in the process of compliance to the SEPA guidelines and migration onto a secure e-Payment Gateway through Central Bank of Malta (CBM). CBM completes the electronic settlement through beneficiary accounts held at local and international financial institutions.</p> <p><i>Owner: MFIN</i></p>	<p>Related to Digital Malta Action: 34</p>

SITI-AGRI (CAP REFORM 2014-2020)	<p>With the implementation of the CAP 2014-2020, new measures will be introduced to promote the use of the SITI-AGRI system. A number of online services will be provided related to investment measures. These services will target the delivery of electronic exchange between a beneficiary and ARPA during the various stages within the life cycle of a project after that a grant agreement has been endorsed by the concerned parties. The Project also includes the deployment of an interoperable GIS platform which will act as a central node for the collection, maintenance and graphical representation of all the agricultural information. The system will be also open to possible integration with other ministries/entities data and it will allow web-services and third party applications to connect and pull/push data and information.</p> <p><i>Owner: MSDEC</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
SPATIAL DATA IN RELATION TO WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT	<p>A GIS platform to enable the processing of spatial data in relation to water resources management in scope of developing the national water demand map.</p> <p><i>Owner: MEH - Energy</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
SWIFT SYSTEM	<p>The Treasury Department will implement the SWIFT system which provides a secure and robust system to automate the payments and communication flows from the Treasury Department to the Central Bank of Malta and vice-versa. These payments will be in SEPA format; hence the project complements the SEPA credit transfers process.</p> <p><i>Owner: MFIN</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
TM & DS ESERVICES – COMMERCE DEPARTMENT	<p>The Commerce Department will implement a system which will allow users to online execute various services being offered by CD related to Trademarks and Designs. eServices will include: (i) Renewal of a trademark & design; (ii) Limitation of Goods and Services of trademark; (iii) Surrender of trademark; (iv) Change of name or address of trademark & design; (v) Assignment, merger of trademark & design; (vi) Licence of trademark and design; (vii) Change of a design..</p> <p><i>Owner: MEIB</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
USER EXPERIENCE	<p>Government is committed to improve the online user experience. Citizens should not be expected to access government services based on the entity which provides such services. In this respect Government will continue packaging online information and services based on 'Life events' which are domains that make sense to the citizen. It is envisaged that information and services pertaining to residency formalities, family benefits, consumer affairs, environment and finance will be implemented in the central government portal.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 27

VAT AND IRD SYSTEMS MERGER	The VAT and IRD information systems will be enhanced to support the merger of Inland Revenue and VAT Departments within the Commissioner of Revenue and to comply with EU Directive.	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
	<i>Owner: MFIN</i>	
WEAPONS REGISTRATION SYSTEM	A new Weapons Registration System will be implemented Malta Police Force. Apart from providing administrative and investigative services, the new system will take into consideration the recommendations of the National Audit Office. Furthermore, the system will provide a framework to allow the extension of user centric e-services while retaining the necessary balance with national and international security requirements.	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
	<i>Owner: MHAS</i>	
WEBIFICATION OF THE INTRASTAT CLIENT SERVER APPLICATION (NSO)	The Intrastat system is made up of 2 applications, the public website and the client server application. A number of high-level technology principles have been laid out so that the Government ensures the maximum benefit and operational efficiency from all technology investments. In order to bring the supplementary declaration (Intrastat) client server application in line with these guiding technology principles it was necessary that the solution is decoupled from the desktop to the maximum extent possible. For this reason, it was recommended that the client server application is refreshed from a technology perspective and is re-written on a web environment.	Related to Digital Malta Action: 34
	<i>Owner: MFIN</i>	

HUMAN CAPITAL

CHAMPION THE APPLICATION OF AN ECOMPETENCE FRAMEWORK	<p>The eSkills Malta Foundation will champion the application of an eCompetence Framework</p> <p><i>Owner: eSkills Malta Foundation</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 64
CODERDOJO	<p>The MCA is teaming up with the CoderDojo Foundation to open the first Coderdojo in Malta. Through this initiative MCA is collaborating with established local software development companies to provide free lessons in basic computer coding in a number of the Community Training learning centres. The programme will consist of 12 two-hourly sessions and is intended for children and adolescents from 7 to 17 years of age.</p> <p><i>Owner: MCA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 60
ENGAGE WITH UPCOMING EDUCATORS	<p>Jointly with the Faculty of Education, explore a programme for B.Ed students to explore cross-disciplinary approaches and embrace technology. The programme will celebrate innovative teaching and aim to build a community of best practice.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 61
ERASMUS + STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP	<p>MITA will lead this EU-funded Erasmus + Strategic Partnership which unites the ICT sector with Academia for the delivery of a 2-year project that promotes the use of game-based learning pedagogies to alleviate early school leaving in Malta and across Europe.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 59
ESTABLISH A STRATEGIC ALLIANCE WITH UOM	<p>Work with the FEMA and Faculty of Education to consolidate the activities that are currently ongoing. Effort will also be employed to contribute to University launching a new BSc. Business and ICT course and MITA will deliver a credit within the new BSc. Further areas of collaboration and research will be explored.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 60
ICT AND COMPUTING CURRICULUM REFORM	<p>Jointly with the Ministry for Education and Employment the 'ICT' and 'Computing' curriculum will be revised and new materials and pedagogy will be created.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 59
ICT CAREER EXPOSURE	<p>Contribute to the Ministry for Education and Employment's week-long campaign and place young students in ICT job exposure placements.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 59

NATIONAL CODING COMPETITION	Run a national coding competition building on the success of the Only Girls Allowed 2013. <i>Owner: MITA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 62
PARTICIPATION IN THE GRAND COALITION – CIP THEMATIC NETWORK	Government will partner in a network to promote SPP across Europe through Grand Coalition Consortium. <i>Owner: MITA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 59
PARTNERSHIP WITH ETC TO TRAIN THE UNEMPLOYED IN SOCIAL MEDIA AND SALES	MITA has partnered with the ETC to assist in the delivery of one component of the ESF 2.201 ‘Enhancing Employability through Training’ project run by the ETC. <i>Owner: MITA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 63
RECOGNITION OF ICT AND RELATED INDUSTRY CERTIFICATIONS AGAINST THE STANDARDS AND THE MQF	Map a number of CEN Role Profiles from the EU e-CF will be mapped with the Standards for ITalent and MQF; correspondingly promote the mapping of a number of ICT-related certifications. <i>Owner: eSkills Malta Foundation</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 66 & 67
SCHOOL VISITS TO COMPANIES	Co-ordinate the remaining school visits to ICT and ICT-using companies for secondary school children. <i>Owner: MITA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 62
STANDARDS FOR ITALENT	Create/make available a simple online tool for HR managers to apply the Standards for ITalent in their HR materials, create ‘starter-packs’ of Job Role Profiles and provide one-to-one consultancy to a target number of firms to use the Standards. <i>Owner: eSkills Malta Foundation</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 64 & 65
STEM ‘EASTER’ CLUB	Jointly with industry and stakeholders, a STEM Club was set up successfully in 2014 and will be continue during the Easter holidays and during the summer months. The Club aims to increase the attractiveness of STEM education and to organise frequent hands-on fun workshops where students create artefacts through science, technology, engineering and maths. Particular attention to gender equality will be given. <i>Owner: MITA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 62

STEM 'SUMMER' CLUB Jointly with industry and stakeholders, a 'club' will be set up to increase the attractiveness of STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) education and to organise frequent hands-on fun workshops where students create artefacts through technology. Particular attention to gender equality will be given.

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Owner: MITA

STUDENT PLACEMENT PROGRAMME (2013 & 2014)

Government will continue with the placement of summer students with public and private employers. Public sector placements are fully reimbursed. Private sector placements are reimbursed at 50% of the cost. Costs are to be contained within budgets allocated.

Related to Digital Malta Action: 59

Owner: MITA

INFRASTRUCTURE

CONNECTIVITY GOZO	<p>The Ministry for Gozo is currently conducting a feasibility study to assess various options for a second Internet connectivity link between Malta and Gozo.</p> <p><i>Owner: MGOZ</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 52
EID CARDS	<p>Government will continue and conclude the project for the delivery of a solution capable of issuing eID Cards for the citizens of Malta. The eID Card shall be used as a representation of sovereign authority, certifying that the holder is in a legitimate legal position with respect to their national jurisdiction, a means for citizens to access services and exercise their rights and duties with respect to the public authorities and a genuine seal of authenticity that the citizen can use to authenticate his or her actions, since the data used to ensure security and trust also guarantee the legal validity of any certified transactions certified.</p> <p><i>Owner: Identity Malta</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 54
EIDENTIFICATION	<p>The current eID system remains critical for the delivery of the eGovernment programme which is currently reliant and shall remain reliant on its functionality even after the introduction of the new eID Card system. Government intends to invest in a technology upgrade for the eID solution so as to update the development platform, migrate to a new hosting platform and develop a federated authentication mechanism. This would then provide a consolidated infrastructure upon which to develop an Interoperability Framework with other Member States and thus contribute to the promulgation of the digital economy.</p> <p><i>Owner: Identity Malta</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 54
ENTERPRISE ARCHITECTURE & GOVERNANCE	<p>Government shall continuously maintain a technology strategy that is aligned with its vision. This shall be effectively driven through rigorous Governance, and facilitated through the formulation of blueprints, roadmaps, and policies. The technology strategy shall be revised and kept up to date to reflect updated technology directions. A number of road- mapping initiatives shall be triggered covering infrastructure and application domains.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 56
FIBRE TO THE HOME (FTTH) - TM/MCA FTTH JOINT COMMITTEE	<p>A series of measures for promoting broadband rollout are currently being undertaken. These include investment friendly regulation, the reduction of administrative complexity in exercising rights of way, reduction of any administrative complexity associated with civil works, permits for road works, etc. and the establishment of in-house wiring regulations.</p> <p><i>Owner: MCA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 45

FTTH - REDUCING COST OF BB DEPLOYMENT	Transposition of EU Directive 2014/61/EU. <i>Owner: MCA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 45
INTERNATIONAL CONNECTIVITY	The MCA will be carrying out a detailed technical, economic, and financial feasibility analysis for a new submarine cable link connecting Malta to other alternative locations on the European continent with the objective of enhancing the resilience and quality of the current international telecommunications connectivity. The feasibility study of laying a new submarine cable is an EU Funded project. <i>Owner: MCA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 51
NETWORK SERVICES WITHIN NEW PARLIAMENT	The project includes the setting up of the network infrastructure within the new Parliament. <i>Owner: MITA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 56
NETWORK SERVICES WITHIN THE ONCOLOGY HOSPITAL	The project includes the setting up of the network infrastructure within the Oncology Hospital. <i>Owner: MITA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 56
NEXT GENERATION ACCESS (NGA) NETWORKS - VULA (VIRTUAL UNBUNDLED LOCAL ACCESS) FOR FIBRE NETWORKS	The rollout of Next Generation Access Networks will continue to be facilitated by developing regulatory approaches and practices that sustain competitive practices. <i>Owner: MCA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 45
NGA NETWORKS - BUSINESS AND CONSUMER PERCEPTION SURVEYS	MCA will issue a Business and Consumer Perception Surveys <i>Owner: MCA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 46
NGA NETWORKS - COMMUNICATIONS MARKET REVIEWS	MCA will perform a Communications Market Reviews <i>Owner: MCA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 46
OPERATING SOFTWARE MODERNISATION (MS WINDOWS 7/8 MIGRATION PROJECT)	Government will upgrade the Windows software utilised throughout the public service to improve its security posture and capitalize on modern end user devices, form factors and interaction patterns. <i>Owner: MITA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 56
QOS - BROADBAND MEASUREMENT	A public consultation on the format to be used by operators for publishing QoS of their broadband packages will be issued. <i>Owner: MCA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 50

QOS – ONLINE PRICE COMPARISON PORTAL	Provide consumers with the tools to ensure that they are aware of alternative suppliers and services, so that they can compare information on prices, features and quality. <i>Owner: MCA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 50
QoS - REVIEW OF QUALITY OF SERVICE OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION MARKETS	A survey will be commissioned to assess the QoS experience by consumers and assess any issues / concerns with QoS provided. The results of this survey will be published and ongoing monitoring performed. <i>Owner: MCA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 50
QUALITY OF SERVICE (QOS)	Government will continue to ensure that consumer rights with respect to operator contracts, switching between providers and provision of information, are protected so that they can enjoy the benefits of competition to the fullest possible. <i>Owner: MCA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 50
SHARED INFRASTRUCTURE ACCESS - ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL PLAN FOR TELECOMS INFRASTRUCTURES (TOWERS)	The MCA will work on the establishment of a national plan for telecoms infrastructures (towers). <i>Owner: MCA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 48
SHARED INFRASTRUCTURE ACCESS - FRAMEWORK FOR ACCESS TO IN-HOUSE WIRING	Government will put in place a framework whereby for sharing of electronic communication wiring inside building. This framework should serve to facilitate the roll-out of NGA networks. <i>Owner: MCA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 48
SHARED INFRASTRUCTURE ACCESS - SYMMETRIC REGULATION OF PHYSICAL NETWORK INFRASTRUCTURE SHARING	Government will put in place a framework whereby authorised undertakings may share the physical network infrastructure. This framework should serve to facilitate the roll-out of NGA networks. <i>Owner: MCA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 48
STRATEGY RELATED TO SPACE COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES	The MCA will issue a request for Proposals (RFP) for the use of Malta's ITU-allotted satellite slots. The issuance of the relevant licences for the use of Malta's satellite network filings will follow. <i>Owner: MCA</i>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 45

UPGRADING OF CORE
INFRASTRUCTURE
WITHIN THE DC

Government will modernise enabling infrastructure which is a better fit for governments' requirements and which will enable allows MITA to offer the offering of better user user-centric services.

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UPGRADING OF
GOVERNMENT
NETWORK

Government will consolidate its network infrastructure to address future connectivity and bandwidth requirements including wireless access.

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Owner: MITA

REGULATION & LEGISLATION

DATA PROTECTION TRAINING	<p>In preparation for the Proposed General Data Protection Regulation for the EU, this project will enhance competencies in the Public Service by providing Data Protection Officers with theoretical specialised training to be followed by practical sessions under the guidance of experts, leading to certification which varies from participation to a recognised qualification by the Information and Data Protection Commissioner.</p> <p><i>Owner: MSDC</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 44
GOVERNMENT DESKTOPS POWER MANAGEMENT INITIATIVE	<p>Monitoring a sample of PCs within MITA to measure current PC power consumption and thus establish a benchmark across Government and the implementation of appropriate measures to reduce PCs' power consumption and establish energy efficiency gains.</p> <p><i>Owner: MEH - Energy</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 42
RADIO SPECTRUM - ASSIGNMENT OF SPECTRUM FOR WIRELESS BROADBAND	<p>The MCA will make available to the market additional spectrum for the provision of high speed broadband networks using 4G technologies.</p> <p><i>Owner: MCA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 39
RADIO SPECTRUM - REVIEW OF THE UMTS LICENCES FOR 2.1GHZ BAND	<p>A project to introduce 4G technologies in the 2.1 GHz radio spectrum bands.</p> <p><i>Owner: MCA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 39
REVAMP OF GOVERNMENT ICT POLICIES	<p>MITA will work with relevant stakeholders to review and to update the Government ICT Policies to reflect business requirements and technological trends. Apart from regulating the use of ICT within Government, these policies will aim at enabling simplification and innovation. Consideration will be given to the extent and scope of applicability of the respective policies to the different business areas within government (e.g. hospitals and schools).</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 42
REVIEW OF UNIVERSAL SERVICE / DESIGNATION	<p>This project is intended to ensure that the basic set of electronic communications services continue to be made available to all citizens at affordable prices.</p> <p><i>Owner: MCA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 38
REVISE AND REVAMP THE NATIONAL INTEROPERABILITY FRAMEWORK	<p>Government shall revise and revamp the current National Interoperability Framework including related policies. Through this initiative Government shall provide the required direction towards improving national and pan European Interoperability.</p> <p><i>Owner: MITA</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Action: 42

SAFEGUARDING THE
UNIVERSAL SERVICES

Government will continue to ensure that a basic set of electronic communication services (such as the availability of fixed telephony, access to a basic broadband connection) is available to all at affordable prices.

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Owner: MCA

STRUCTURES

DATA GOVERNANCE COUNCIL	<p>A Data Governance Council will be set up to ensure that an authorised group within Government is tasked with the policy and direction of the data created and maintained across the public administration. Moreover it will introduce organisational structures and processes to ensure that data is used and treated as a corporate asset to be shared and reused according to the classification and consent given in this respect. The council will serve as a forum for all data related issues, recommendations and decisions required at the national level.</p> <p><i>Owner: OPM</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Structures
DIGITAL MALTA GOVERNING BOARD	<p>The Governing Body will steer the implementation of the Strategy, bring about a coordinated effort across all stakeholders, address issues and mitigate risks, capitalise on opportunities and overcome the challenges ahead.</p> <p><i>Owner: MEIB</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Structures
ESKILLS MALTA FOUNDATION	<p>The eSkills Malta Foundation is a coalition of various representatives from Government, industry and education with the following mandate: to advise Government and stakeholders on matters related to eSkills policy. The foundation brings together Government representatives from Education and MITA together with key entities in investment employment and Industry, including Malta Enterprise, Malta Communications Authority, The Lotteries and Gaming Authority, the Employment and Training Corporation and The Chamber of Commerce.</p> <p><i>Owner: eSkills Malta Foundation</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Structures
ICT MALTA	<p>The setting up of a multi-stakeholder body that will be responsible to establish Malta as a centre of excellence for ICT and to promote the Maltese ICT product internationally.</p> <p><i>Owner: MEIB</i></p>	Related to Digital Malta Structures