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UMAR GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO BE HELD IN MALTA THIS WEEKEND

Please find attached a press release issued by the Union of Mediterranean Architects (UMAR), regarding the UMAR 14th General Assembly which is to be held in Malta on Saturday 5th of April.

On the occasion of this Assembly, a seminar entitled "Architecture & Politics – Partnering for sustainable development in the Mediterranean", will be held on Friday 4th and enjoys the patronage of Hon Dr. Lawrence Gonzi, Prime Minister of Malta. This seminar will be attended by a number of Ambassadors, UMAR delegates, representatives from a number of local related organisations and members of the Council of the Kamra tal-Periti.



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PRESS RELEASE

UMAR GENERAL ASSEMBLY BEING HELD IN MALTA

The Union of Mediterranean Architects (UMAR) is holding its 14th General Assembly in Malta on the 5th of April. The event, which is being held in a leading hotel in Sliema, is being hosted by the *Kamra tal-Periti*.

Founded in Rabat (Morocco) in 1994, UMAR represents all but two of the architects' national organisations from countries in and around the Mediterranean basin. It aims to reveal Architecture to be of public interest, Architecture and the organisation of space being expressions of culture. It also acts as a forum for encouraging relationships of friendship, solidarity and confraternity between all architects, while acting as a representative for more than 300,000 architects in a dialogue with governments, regional and international institutions.

The *Kamra tal-Periti* is a founder member and has been prominently active within the organisation. In fact Malta is the official seat of the organisation and its Secretary-General is David Pace, a past President of KTP.

Apart from dealing with internal procedural matters, the Assembly will be discussing the projects that UMAR is currently involved in, dealing with diverse themes such as Heritage, Technology in Construction, Sustainability and Ethics.

The Assembly will be preceded by a meeting of the Executive Bureau, while a seminar entitled: **PARTNERING FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN THE MEDITERRANEAN - ARCHITECTURE & POLITICS** will be held on Friday evening, where the Prime Minister Dr. Lawrence Gonzi is expected to deliver a keynote address. Other speakers shall be H.E. The Ambassador to France, Prof. Lino Briguglio, Chairperson of the National Committee for Sustainable Development, Patrice Genet, UMAR President, and Perit David Felice, KTP President.

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