Stakeholder consultation: extracts

Valletta Cultural Agency
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VCA management identified the following key stakeholders by way of individuals/entities who could provide insights about the effects (both positive and less positive) of Valletta 2018 being felt on the ground. The identification of the following key stakeholders was guided by the principle of capturing, as practicably as possible, the views of a diverse cohort of individuals and the stakeholder groups/entities they represent.

1) Mr Albert Marshall, Executive Chairperson, Arts Council Malta.
2) Mr Reginald Fava, Vice President, Republic Street Business Community Association.
3) Mr Anthony C. Camilleri, President, Merchants’ Street Business Community Association.
4) Dr Andrei Imbroll, Group Chairman, Valletta Boutique Living.
5) Ms Maria Micallef, CEO, ‘Is-Suq tal-Belt’.
6) Ms Marcia Grima, a) Regional Co-Ordinator (Valletta), VCA; and b) a Valletta resident.
7) Dr Victor Jacono, Project Coordinator, Community projects facilitating the cultural expression and creative participation of the Valletta residents, pre- & post- Valletta 2018.
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The Renewal of Valletta

Valletta 2018 led to significant public & private investment

Major spin-offs in hospitality services

Valletta 2018 acted as a catalyst for this renewal

Gentrification, leading to financial pressures

Regeneration concentrated around the city’s centre
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Business in Valletta

+ Valletta 2018 had a pronounced positive effect on business in Valletta

Effective marketing efforts by the Valletta 2018 Foundation which attracted foreign patrons

Positive outlook in terms of stepping up the city’s retail profile

- Gentrification, leading to financial pressures

Positive outlook in terms of legacy management through the VCA

Noise pollution, waste generation & encroachment of public spaces

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Infrastructure

Ferry connections to Valletta lauded as a success

Car parking facilities were a significant contributor to parking management

Improved waste management

less +

Over-development

Encroachment of public spaces
Sustainability

Valletta 2018 left a strong legacy for the VCA to build on and further nurture

Co-creation, a winning notion

Valletta 2018 and the ECoC ‘phenomenon’ largely widened the cultural fabric

Unprecedented public awareness of the cultural sector

Positive outlook in terms of legacy management through the VCA

Gentrification, leading to financial pressures

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Other

Democratization of public funds in the cultural sector

Valletta 2018 provided an international platform to local artists

Zealousness for investment in ‘infra-cultural’ assets

Events programming could have been more focused

+  

less  

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