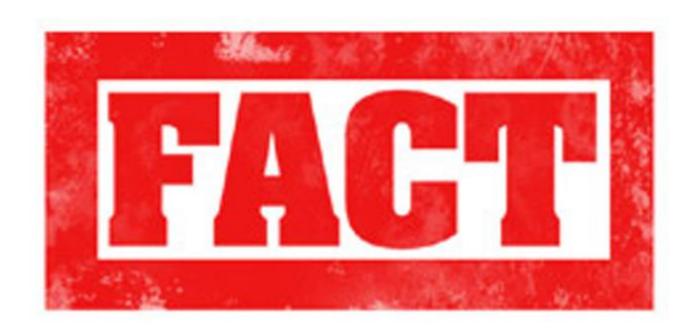




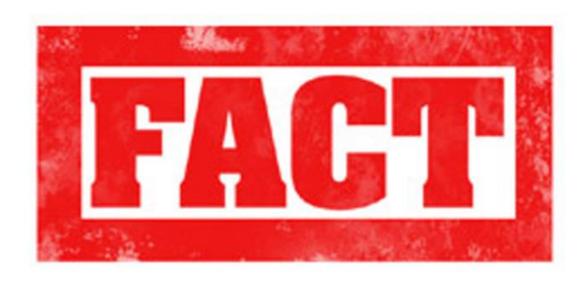
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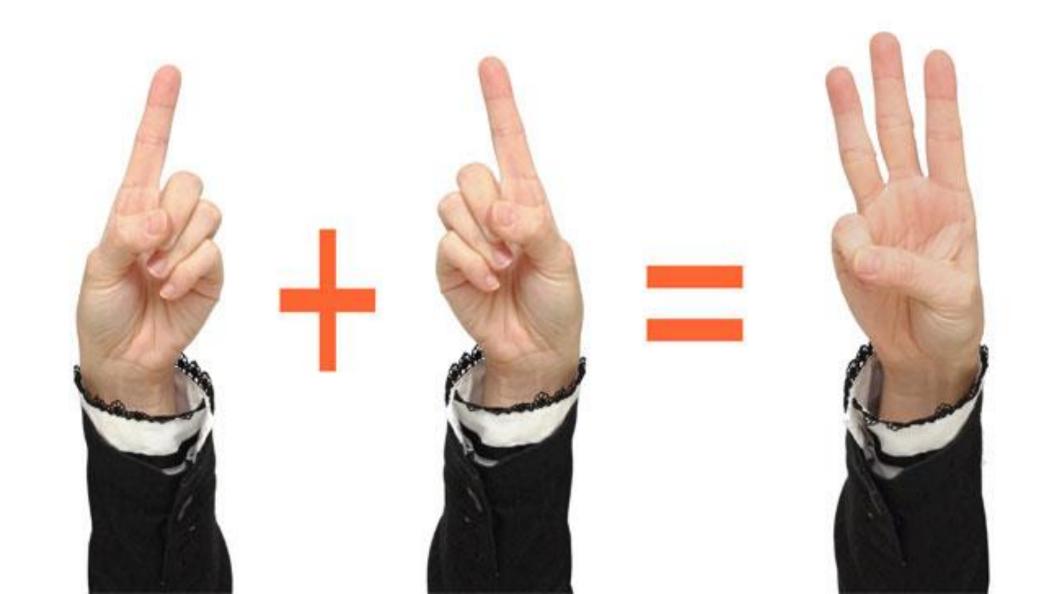
# Tourism is a key industry for the economy of Mediterranean countries.

The ratio of travel receipts to GDP was highest in Croatia (15.5 %), Malta (14.4 %) and Cyprus (11.4 %), confirming the importance of tourism to these countries and hence the rest of Europe!

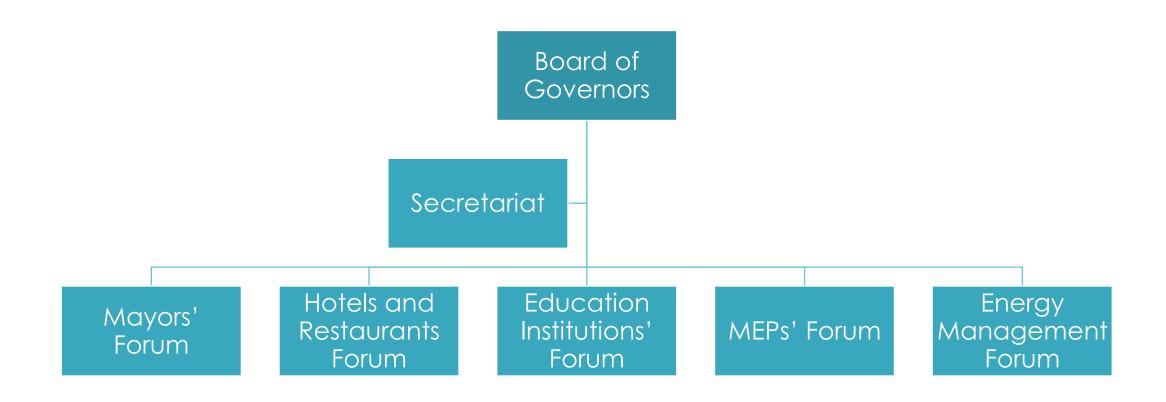


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## Tourism needs different metrics of success - Vella

#### Vanessa Macdonald

The way in which we measure the success of tourism has to move beyond arrival figures and revenue, Tourism Minister Karmenu Vella said.

He was speaking during the Mediterranean Tourism Conference organised by the Malta Hotels and Restaurants Association, which saw Tony Zahra step down after his two-year term as president to be replaced by Corinthia Hotels' chief financial officer Paul Bugeja.

In his farewell speech, MrZahra said that a record winter was forecast, bolstered by a nine per cent increase in seat capacity.

The conference was aimed at pushing the idea of a Mediterranean vision for the tourism sector, and brought together a dozen foreign speakers from the various destinations to discuss how the coherent regional brands and collaboration of the north could be replicated in the south.

Mr Zahra said that this vision was especially relevant given the rise in tourism from the BRIC countries, as they would want to visit several countries on each trip.



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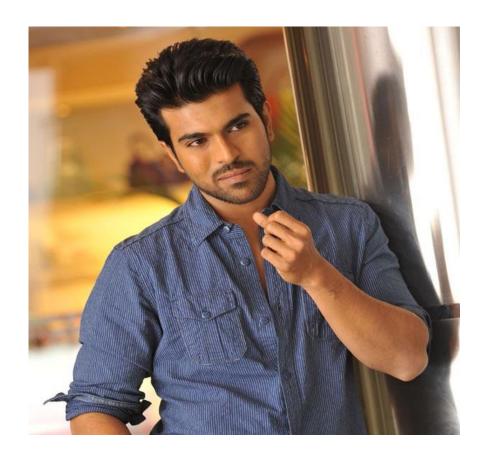
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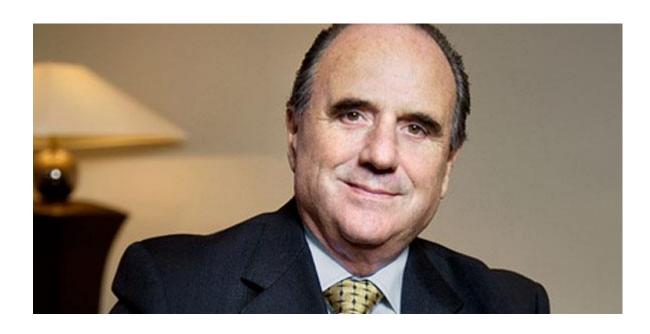
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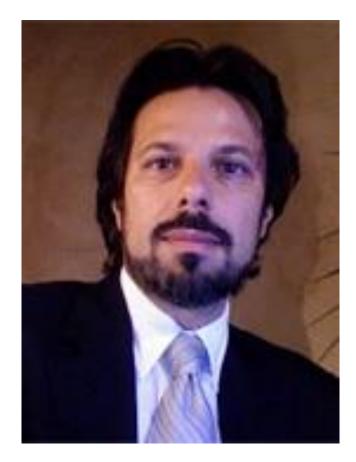
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