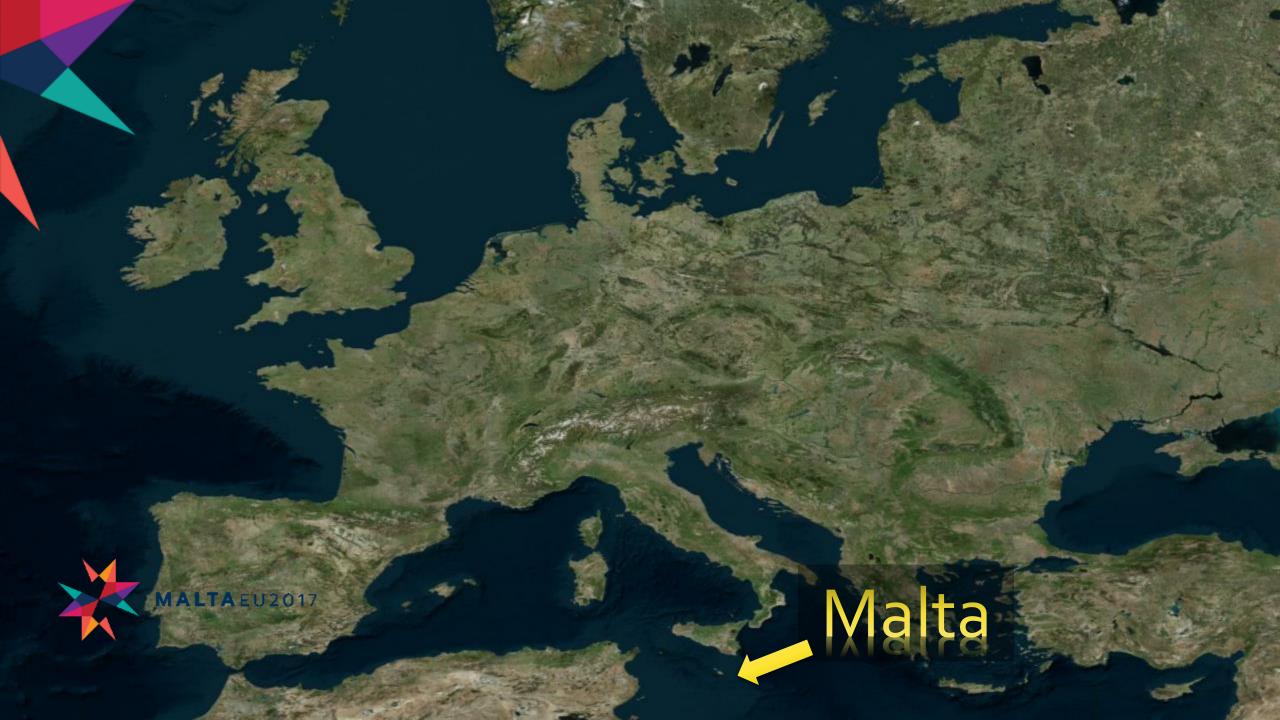


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Maltese Economy



- Industrialised, service based economy
- International Monetary Fund Classification: Advanced Economy
- World Bank Classification: High Income Country
- At par with European Average

• GDP growth rate: 7% annual change

• Unemployment rate: 5%

• GDP per capita: 27,000 Eur

Gross domestic product: 10 billion Eur

Maltese Economy



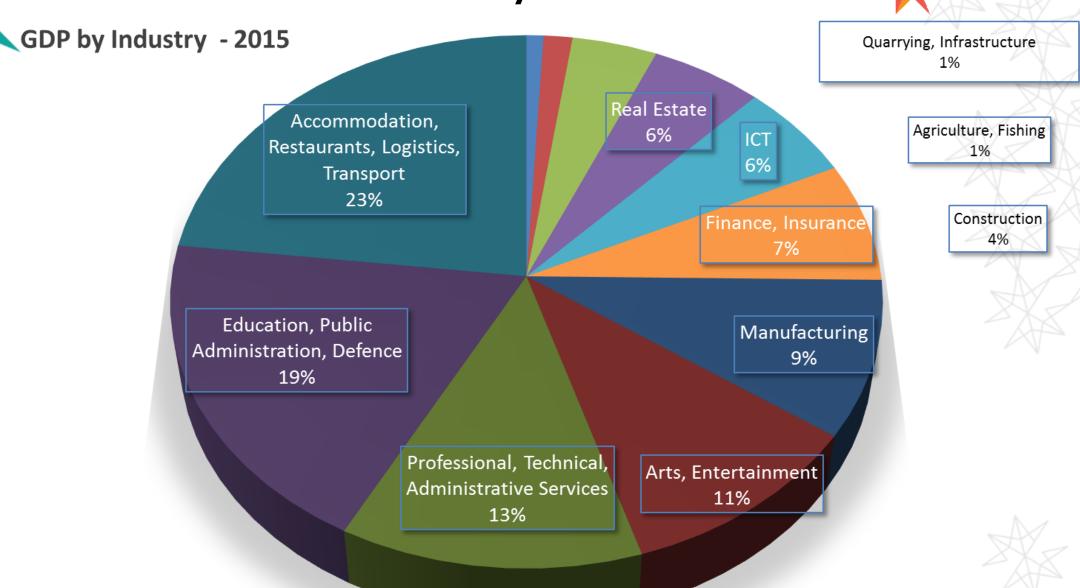


Figure 3.25 Total full-time programme student population following Further and Higher Education (provided during the day, evening, or through distance learning)

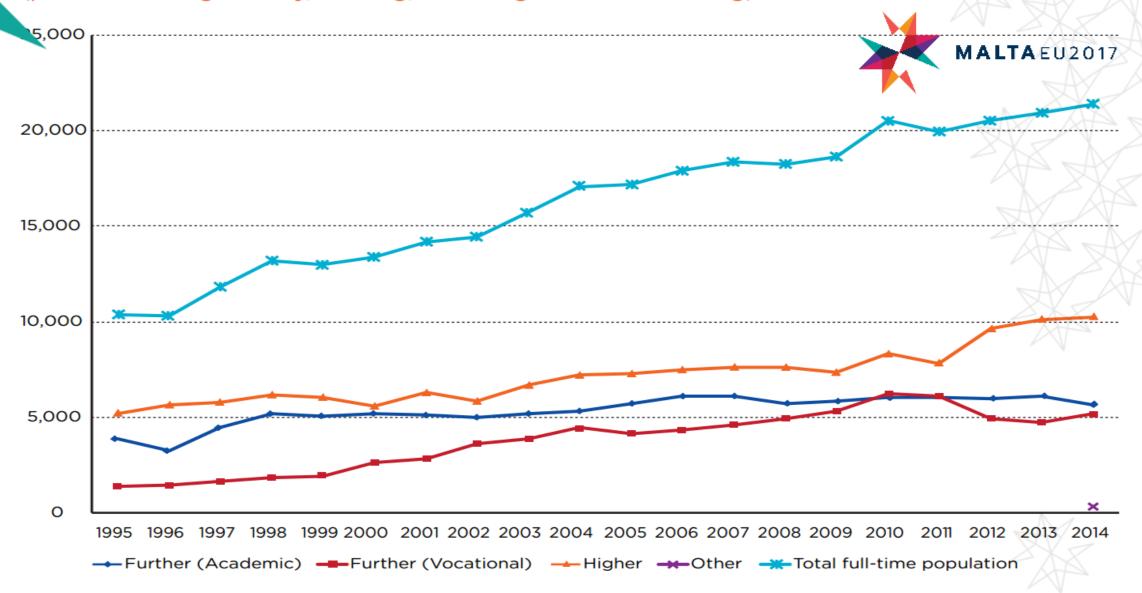
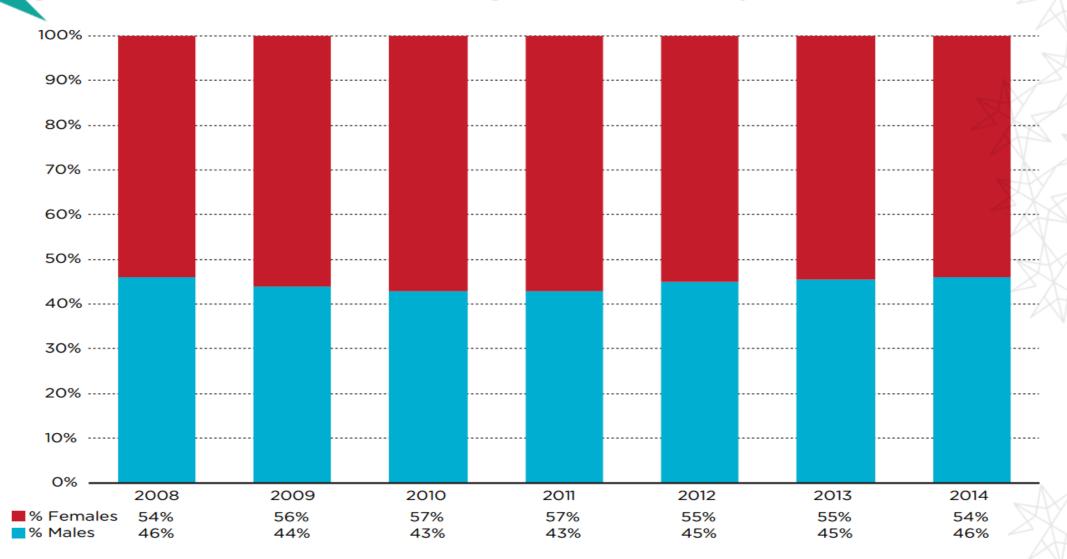




Figure 3.17 Share of males and females in Higher Education for the years 2008-2014













HE Education Policy Issues

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Schools

- Good practice for better transitions
- Inclusive education, migrants, refugees
- Follow-up to the Paris declaration
- Continuous professional development

Vocational Education and Training

- Access to VET
- Work-based learning, including apprenticeships in VET

Higher Education

- Modernisation of HE
- Digital education and blended learning





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DG Higher Education

13-14 March 2017

DG Schools

10-11 April 2017

• EQAR

24 May 2017

Bologna Follow-up Group

24-25 May 2017





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Education Week

16-20 January 2017

- Forum on Leadership Policy for Equity and Learning
- Joint PLA Digital Education and Higher Education
- Conference on the State of Digital Education

• Conference: Raising Achievements for All Learners European Agency for Special Needs and Inclusive Education 5-7 April 2017















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