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Malta-India Women's Chamber (WICCI Malta) joins the Malta Chamber

Announcement of Women's Economic Forum Summit taking place in Malta, in March.

The Malta Chamber and the Women's Malta Chamber of Commerce & Industry, an affiliate of WICCI India, agreed to co-operate actively to nurture a climate of economic diversification, development and cooperation between Malta and India, within a global network led by women.

The agreement falls squarely within Malta Chamber's drive to promote the visibility, development, and advancement of women in business leadership positions, which includes the internationalisation front.

Presiding on the signing of the Cooperation Agreement between the two entities was Perit David Xuereb, President of the Malta Chamber, Dame Jane Chircop, President of the WICCI Malta and Doreen Cutrona, Vice President of WICCI Malta.

"We are excited to have the Malta India Women's Chamber joining us as corporate members. We are eager to embark with this organisation on this journey towards promoting commercial exchanges for our members with such an important country. But it is not just that. We consider women in business to be a strongly developing entrepreneurial and leadership resource. Leveraging on women talent is becoming a key competitive advantage for progressive economies like ours. I believe that coupled with our respective organisational expertise, the prospects for Maltese business to engage in valuable cross continental projects is promising" – Perit David Xuereb.

During her intervention, Dame Jane Chircop remarked;

"Today it is a milestone and we wrote history for our country. Two chambers with one goal. The empowerment of women in our country is long due and that is what we want to achieve."

Participating virtually in the signing ceremony, Dr Harbeen Arora, Founder and President of Women's Indian Chamber of Commerce, and Industry (WICCI) congratulated the Malta Chamber



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for its exceptional work towards advocating a truly inclusive economy where women are given the merited importance, hence the symbolic ceremony taking place under its auspices. In her keynote address Dr Arora besides explaining the role of WICCI India as a global organisation connecting women around the world promoting entrepreneurship.

She also announced the first Women's Economic Forum Summit, which is taking place in Malta between the 8th and 10th March 2021, expecting to host around 1,500 attendees from various destinations. The event will take place in a hybrid format in full respect of the public health and safety measures.

The terms of agreement signed place both Chambers at the disposition of each other to exchange information and undertake joint initiatives based on their respective contacts and expertise within identified sectors which could lead to bilateral projects.

WICCI India brings together over two thousand members from around 110 countries, 22 of whom form part of the newly established chamber in Malta, who are professionals from different walks of life.

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