

**2024 Pre-Budget Document Proposals by  
The Malta Chamber of Commerce, Enterprise and Industry on:**

## **WATER**

1. **Map out Malta's industrial production processes** to identify resource flows, including potentially hidden resources, that can be extracted before mixing with other flows.
2. Incentivize **rainwater harvesting in both businesses and households** through the mandatory implementation of cisterns in new buildings and subsidised rates for renovations. Adequate **incentive schemes** should target:
  - a) Storage and use of rainwater in industrial estates.
  - b) Treatment and reuse of grey water in the hotel industry.
  - c) Investments in technology to improve irrigation efficiency in agriculture, public and private landscaping.
  - d) Rainwater harvesting from domestic structures for use as secondary water.
  - e) Reduction of water use through consumer behavioural changes.
3. Turning **public spaces and roundabouts into 'biodiversity hotspots'** that require minimal care and watering - this would save human resources, reduce water use and increase pollination.
4. Place a **restriction on lawns**, where size is determined by the volume of the water reservoir or property footprint.
5. Place a restriction on the **volume of swimming pools based on property footprint and water reservoir**, and **apply pool licensing fees according to the volume of the swimming pool**.

