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Presidents of Latvia and Malta to discuss challenges in the East and South of the EU, cooperation in international organisations

On 22-23 March, H.E. Dr George Vella, President of Malta, and his wife Mrs Miriam Vella will pay an official visit to Latvia. The Presidents of Latvia and Malta will discuss challenges in the East and South of the European Union, as well as cooperation in international organisations.

Media accreditation for the official visit of President and First Lady of Malta, George Vella and Miriam Vella, to the Republic of Latvia is open **until 20 March 2023**. Media representatives are invited to fill in the application form prepared by the Chancellery of the President of Latvia for each person to be accredited. Accreditation applications received after the deadline will not be processed.

Media are required to **follow the formal dress code** for media events.

Media events, 22 March

	Official welcoming of H.E. Dr George Vella, President of
	Malta, and Mrs Miriam Vella (POOL 1)
10.00	Riga Castle square
	Photo and video opportunity
	NB! Live broadcast on <i>LTV1</i> .

Media arrival by 9.30

Media in POOL 1 will not be allowed into POOL 2 events.

	Signing of Guest Book (POOL 2)
10.15	Riga Castle, White Hall
	Photo and video opportunity
	NB! Live broadcast on <i>LTV1</i> .

Media arrival by 9.30

Media in POOL 2 will not be allowed into POOL 1 events.

	Latvian and Maltese delegations meeting
10.45	Riga Castle, Coats of Arms Hall
	Photo and video opportunity before meeting

Media arrival by 10.15

	Andra Levite and Miriam Vella give speeches at the discussion "The Right to a Dignified Death" organised by the Hospiss LV	
	~10.30	Foundation
		University of Latvia, Large Auditorium, Riga, Raiņa bulvāris 19
		Photo and video opportunity

Media arrival before the start of the debate

	Joint press conference by President of Latvia Egils Levits and
	President of Malta George Vella
	Riga Castle, White Hall
11.20	Photo, video and questions opportunity
	NB! Press conference will be livestreamed on Presidential Chancery
	webpage www.president.lv and President Levits' social media pages
	YouTube, Facebook and Twitter.

Working languages: Latvian, English (with simultaneous interpretation)

Media arrival by 10.50

	Flower laying ceremony at the Freedom Monument
12.00	
	Freedom Square
	Photo and video opportunity

Media arrival by 11.45

12.20	Meeting between President of Malta George Vella and Deputy Speaker of the Saeima Zanda Kalniņa-Lukaševica
	Saeima (Parliament of Latvia) Photo and video opportunity before meeting

Media arrival by 12.00

Visit of the President of Malta George Vella and First Lady Miriam Vella to Latvian Museum of Occupation
Latvian Museum of Occupation Photo and video opportunity

Media arrival by 15.45

Media events, 23 March

	President of Malta George Vella and First Lady Miriam Vella
11.35	donate a book for the People's Bookshelf
	Nacional Library of Latvia, 3rd floor Atrium
	Photo and video opportunity

Media arrival by 11.20