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**Build-up Skills Malta  
Stakeholders' Platform Meeting  
Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> October 2012**

The large contribution expected from the building sector to the 2020 energy and climate change objectives is a major challenge to the construction sector and to industry as a whole, which needs to be ready to deliver high energy performing renovations and as well as new (nearly zero energy) buildings. This requires an increase in the number of qualified workers as well as new measures that facilitate decision making on energy related construction issues by building owners.

We are seeing, although still in small amounts, the introduction of measures which make buildings more energy efficient. These include new construction elements as well as a drive to install PV panels, amongst others. However training initiatives to upgrade the skills/competences of workers in these technologies are few and far between. The Build-up Skills Malta project is intended to address this gap resulting eventually in new/upgrading of existing courses, both for new workers as well as already existing workers. This will in turn generate the need for more trainers and certification schemes.

Build-up Skills Malta is a project financed by the European Commission under the Intelligent Energy Europe Programme. The Building Industry Consultative Council is the lead partner. Malta Chamber Foundation, Malta Intelligent Energy Management Agency (MIEMA) and Malta College of Art, Science and Technology (MCAST) are partners to the project.

This project represents Malta's strategic effort to reach a national agreement on priority measures for the provision of upgraded training and certification for the building workforce. To this end, the project envisages the set-up of a platform of relevant stakeholders in the field of constructions, vocational training and education to serve as a discussion and consultation forum.

In this context, a platform launch meeting will be held for stakeholders as follows:

Time and date: **Friday, 5th October 2012 at 1.30 pm** (*light snacks prior to meeting at 1 pm*)

Venue: **The Exchange Buildings, Republic Street, Valletta**

Programme: (*see next page*)

*This event is free of charge. Places are limited so prior registration is recommended.  
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- 1pm – 1.30 Light snacks / registration
- 1.30 – 1.40 **Introduction and Background to BuildUpSkills Malta**  
Hon. Perit Vincent Galea MP, Chairman and CEO, BICC
- 1.40 – 2.00 **Energy performance of buildings: The Regulatory Framework**  
Perit Stephen Pulis, Senior Architect, Building Regulations Office
- 2.00 – 2.20 **Vocational Training on renewables and energy efficiency**  
Martin Borg, Deputy Director, Institute of Building & Construction Engineering, MCAST
- 2.20 – 2.30 **Data collection for the BuildUpSkills Malta: Malta National Status Quo Report**  
Ian Borg Bellanti, Research Analyst, Malta Chamber Foundation
- 2.30 – 3.00 Questions and discussion
- 3pm End of meeting

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