



The location of the Maltese islands has defined the nation's place both in history and in today's business and commercial world. Situated in the Mediterranean between Italy and the North African coast, Malta has been occupied by everyone from the Phoenicians to the Britons, and they all left their marks on the country. And the islanders' heroism in the last World War was rewarded with the George Cross from Britain – from which it gained its independence in 1964.

Today, Malta is a vibrant community of nearly 500,000, most of whom speak English. It is a member of the European Union and adopted the Euro as its currency in 2008. The Malta Financial Services Authority has helped attract businesses including those involved in aircraft and ship registration, fund administration and fiduciary and trustee businesses. And FinanceMalta promotes Malta as an international financial centre, with businesses attracted to the island by its low-cost environment and an advantageous tax regime.

ZEDRA's Malta office is situated in St Julian's and is staffed by experience professionals who offer a personalised service for both businesses and individuals requiring a presence in Malta.

## Corporate Services

ZEDRA Malta offers a wide range of corporate secretarial services, including:

- / The formation of companies and other legal entities;
- / Acting (or arranging for a person to act) as a director or secretary of a company or a partner in a partnership or a similar position in relation to other legal entities;
- / Providing registered office facilities and other related services for a company, partnership or other legal entities;
- / Assisting in incorporating companies and other legal vehicles from other jurisdictions. We can act as intermediary either through other offices of the Zedra Group or through our network of international partners in all major financial centres;
- / Opening and administering bank accounts;
- / Accounting, bookkeeping and liaising with the auditors in relation to the annual audit;
- / Helping with re-domiciliation of companies to and from Malta.

## Structuring Consultancy and Advisory Services:

ZEDRA Malta can provide advice in the structuring of legal entities before pre-incorporation. However, we do not offer investment advice, tax advice or legal advice so our role in providing such structuring consultancy involves:

- / Structuring advice and choice of jurisdictions;
- / Supporting the client and his qualified advisors with structuring proposals, ideas and practical information on different vehicles and jurisdictions;
- / Acting as intermediary or facilitator between the client and their different advisers including bankers, auditors, lawyers and accountants;
- / Advising on practical and administrative issues in the implementation of a certain strategy, structure or project;
- / Training of employees on local administrative matters.



## Assistance in the Establishment of a Local Presence:

Foreign clients want to set up structures in Malta for a wide range of purposes including conducting international trade, managing intellectual property, holding and managing yachts, shipping and property holding. We can help ensure that the necessary structures are set up in such a way that they comply with Maltese law and thus benefits from the tax benefits on offer in Malta. This means establishing a physical presence – an office - in Malta.

ZEDRA can help with:

- / Finding and setting up a fully-operational office;
- / Organising telephone lines, websites, servers and the IT infrastructure needed;
- / Recruiting local employees, relocating expatriate employees and organising payroll services

## Yacht and Aircraft related Structures:

Most ZEDRA clients will use Maltese companies as holding vehicles for their private and commercial yachts. Many do so to benefit from the special VAT treatment of yacht leasing arrangements under Maltese law. To help with this, we can provide yacht registration, yacht management and other necessary certain administration services. We can also offer similar services for corporate structures holding aircraft with the help of other ZEDRA offices.

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