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## MFSA Holds Leadership Training for Management and Stakeholders

The MFSA's Financial Supervisors Academy (FSA) hosted leadership training for the Authority's senior management team, and other stakeholders, including the FIAU, the Malta Gaming Authority, the Central Bank of Malta, the Malta Business Registry, the Malta Tax and Customs Administration, the Malta Police Force, the Malta Court Services Agency, and a number of Representative Bodies from the industry.

The event was addressed by Brent Gleeson, an award-winning entrepreneur, bestselling author and navy seal combat veteran. During the training session, Brent Gleeson guided the MFSA's leadership team and the other attendees on how best to foster resilience and adopt practical strategies for driving continuous improvement in their personal and professional lives.

MFSA CEO Kenneth Farrugia commented: "The MFSA is committed to the ongoing training and development of its employees. We are a people-centred organisation with a dynamic organisational culture. The event led by Brent Gleeson was an excellent opportunity for senior leaders at MFSA to enhance their leadership and management skills. We will continue to seek and provide every opportunity for talent at the Authority to thrive both professionally and personally."

Following the training workshop, Brent Gleeson commented: "The focus of our leadership training was on ethical leadership and values-based leadership, which are fundamental principles and core tenets of the highest-functioning teams and organisations in the world. We looked at how to align values and behaviours to achieve the best possible outcomes for the organisation."

The MFSA's Financial Supervisors Academy (FSA) Leadership Training Programme supports the ongoing development of the Authority's management, to foster growth of adaptable, high-performing teams.

The Financial Supervisors Academy (FSA) was established in 2020 as part the MFSA's strategic plan. Its mission is to enhance the skills and expertise of financial supervisors through a dynamic curriculum that aligns with international regulatory developments. Courses range from technical to soft skills, covering topics such as Sustainable Finance, Anti-Money Laundering (AML), Banking Regulations, Public Speaking, Leadership, and more.

Earlier this year, the MFSA collaborated with the University of Malta to launch a Postgraduate Diploma in Financial Regulation, featuring lecturers from the MFSA, local industry, and international experts. The Diploma aims to raise standards in financial regulation and compliance in Malta by offering a comprehensive programme that equips professionals with the necessary knowledge and practical skills, with a focus on real-world applications and case studies.

## About MFSA

The Malta Financial Services Authority (MFSA) is the single regulator of financial services in Malta, covering banks, insurance companies, investment services, trusts and pensions. In 2018, the MFSA became the first European regulator to develop a framework to regulate virtual financial assets. The MFSA's mission, as enshrined in its Strategic Statement, is to enhance its position as an independent, proactive and trustworthy supervisory authority with the main purpose of safeguarding the integrity of markets and maintaining stability within the financial sector, for the benefit and protection of consumers. The MFSA licenses over 2,000 entities to operate in the financial services sector.

