



4th Geriatric Medicine Society of Malta Conference

Positive Ageing – A Holistic Approach

Friday, 4th November 2022 – Dolmen Hotel, St Paul's Bay

8.00 onwards	Registration and welcome coffee	
8.45 – 8.50	Welcome address	Dr Mark Anthony Vassallo Chairperson GMSM Dr Josianne Cutajar CEO – SVP-LTCF
8.50-9.00	Opening speech	Hon. Mr Jo Etienne Abela Minister for Active Ageing
Session 1	Hospital at Home	
Chairpersons	Dr Brian Farrugia & Dr Vanya Aquilina	
9.00-9.30	Novel models of acute geriatric care	Professor Daniel Lasseerson
9.30-9.50	Towards advancing dementia friendly communities in the Maltese Islands: The case of San Lawrenz 'Dementia-Friendly' Community Pilot Project	Ms Pauline Refalo
9.50-10.10	Pathways of obtaining Assistive Technology and their impact on older persons: a qualitative study	Ms Lindsay Spiteri
10.10-10.20	Question Time	
10.20-10.45	COFFEE BREAK & POSTER ROUND	
Session 2	Comprehensive Geriatric Assessment in the Acute Hospital	
Chairpersons	Dr Jonathan Calleja & Dr Mohamed Salem	
10.45-11.15	Holistic assessments of frail older people in the Emergency Department	Professor Richard Wong
11.15-11.35	Ambulatory Emergency Care: A novel paradigm (and solution) for the Maltese healthcare system?	Dr Martha Dimech
11.35-11.55	Development and Digitization of an Assessment Process for Rehabilitation Potential of the Older Adult	Ms Francesca Muscat
11.55-12.15	Cognitive Impairment in Older Persons admitted for Acute Medical Care in Malta	Dr Francesca Farrugia
12.15-12.25	Question Time	
12.25-14.00	LUNCH BREAK & POSTER ROUND	
Session 3	Anticipatory Care	
Chairpersons	Dr Marisa Abela & Dr Doriella Camilleri	
14.00-14.30	TBA	Dr María Luisa del Moral Leal
14.30-14.50	Advance Care Planning	Dr Joseph Dimech
14.50-15.00	Geriatricians' perception on patients' expressed preferences for their end-of-life care once decisional capacity is lost: a qualitative study	Dr Rebecca Ceci Bonello
15.00-15.10	Institutionalised older people's experiences and perceptions of death and their attitudes towards decision-making at end of life: A qualitative study	Mr Andre Bugeja
15.10-15.30	Autonomy: The Lived Experience of Older Persons Residing in Long-Term Care Settings	Ms Francine Borg
15.30-15.40	Question Time	
15.40-16.00	Prizes for best posters Closing Speech	Prof. Godfrey Laferla Commissioner for the Older Persons

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