

# media release

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## Fireworks Festival 2014 Date Change Announcement

The Ministry for Tourism and the Malta Tourism Authority would like to inform the public that due to the forecasted inclement weather with high winds on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2014, regretfully the planned fireworks festival due to be held in Bugibba has to be postponed to the following day, **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April**, with the same scheduled programme.

This unfortunate decision had to be taken due to the predicted high winds on Saturday evening, which may have resulted in health and safety issues if the fireworks setup had gone ahead as originally planned.

We have no doubt that despite this postponement the event shall still be a success.

We apologize to the public for any inconvenience caused due to these unforeseen circumstances which are beyond our control.

The programme for **Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April** in Bugibba will be as follows:

## <u>Programme</u>

9.00pm National Fireworks competition – St. George's Fireworks Factory (Qormi, Malta)
9.20pm National Fireworks competition – Banda Sant'Andrija Fireworks Factory (Luqa,

Malta)

9.40pm National Fireworks competition – *Santa Marija Fireworks Factory (Mgarr, Malta)*10.00pm National Fireworks competition – *Banda I-Unjoni St. Andrew's Fireworks Factory* 

(Luqa, Malta)

10.30pm Lieto Fireworks – closing display by 2013 winner from Italy

11.00pm Winners' presentation ceremony

**Firing Point:** Barges in Bugibba Bay **Vantage Point**: Bugibba Promenade

### **About the Malta Tourism Authority (MTA):**

The Malta Tourism Authority (MTA) has a diverse role, but one which in essence is all about creating and fostering relationships. The MTA is the tourism industry's regulator and motivator, its business partner, the country's brand promoter with the intent to form, maintain and manage meaningful partnerships with all tourism stakeholders.

The main role of the MTA is to promote Malta as a leading tourism destination, with special emphasis on the unique selling propositions of the Maltese Islands; Heritage, Hospitality & Diversity.

Futhermore MTA is also here to help strengthen the industry's human resources, ensure the highest standards and quality of the Islands' tourism product, and foster relations with local and international media.

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