

**EDUCATION ACT
(CAP. 327)**

Statute I 15 — European Documentation and Research Centre

IN exercise of the powers conferred upon him by sections 30 (5) and 31 (6) of the Education Act (Cap. 327), the Chancellor of the University of Malta has promulgated the following statute made by the Council of the University of Malta by virtue of the powers conferred upon it by sections 33 and 48(3) of the said Act:

1. This statute may be cited as Statute I 15 — European Documentation and Research Centre.

2. There is hereby established the European Documentation and Research Centre, hereinafter referred to as “the Centre”, at the University of Malta, incorporating the European Documentation Centre established to serve as a repository of European Community documents as well as a resource centre for students and the general public, and furthermore act as a focal point for the promotion of European Studies, in particular by:

(a) organising and running specific courses in European Studies;

(b) organising interdisciplinary studies;

(c) undertaking and publishing research;

(d) collaborating with other University bodies, with the Academy for Diplomatic Studies, and with Governmental and Non-Governmental organisations in projects of mutual interest.

3. The Centre will continue to provide the services of a Documentation Centre which will house Community Documentation in an area designated as such and clearly distinct from any other library facilities.

4. (1) The Centre shall be governed by a Board which shall be composed as follows:

Chairman: The Rector or his deputy;

Vice-Chairman: The Director of the Centre;

A person appointed by Council;

Two members appointed by Senate;

Three members co-opted by the Board.

The Board may also appoint a panel of foreign advisers.

(2) The functions of the Board shall be the following:

(a) to determine the policy of the Centre in conformity with the objectives stated in this statute;

(b) to oversee the general and financial administration of the Centre; and

(c) to encourage collaboration with other bodies, local and foreign, in order to achieve the aims of the Centre.

5. (1) The Centre shall have a Director and staff.
- (2) The Director, appointed by the Council of the University following a call for applications, shall hold office for a period of three years.
- (3) The Director shall be responsible for coordinating the courses run by the Centre and for its day-to-day administration according to the policy established by the Board.
- (4) The Director shall prepare the annual budget of the Centre and submit it to the Board for approval. The Director shall also submit a financial statement to Council and an annual Report to Senate and Council on the activities of the Centre.
- (5) Full-time academic and non-academic staff shall be appointed by the Council on the recommendation of the Board.
- (6) The Board may appoint part-time members of staff for a period not exceeding one calendar year.
6. The Centre may provide consultancy services to public and private institutions requiring expertise in European and Community matters.
7. The Finance Officer of the University of Malta shall be the Treasurer of the Centre.
8. Amendments to this statute may be proposed by the Board and shall require the approval of Council.