

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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<i>Surname</i>	<b>Frendo</b>	
<i>Academic qualifications</i>	LLD, University of Malta, Malta (1977)	
	LLM (EU law), University of Exeter, United Kingdom (1979)	
<i>Professional qualifications</i>	Advocate (1978)	
<i>In public practice (from – to)</i>	<u><i>From (year)</i></u>	<u><i>To (year)</i></u>
	1978	
<i>Employment</i>	<u><i>Company</i></u>	<u><i>Position</i></u>
	Scordis, Papapetrou & Co	Partner
<i>Languages spoken</i>	English French Italian Maltese	
<i>Membership</i>	Chamber of Advocates, Malta, Member of the Maltese Parliament (Speaker)	
<i>Specialisation, Experience</i>	<p>- <b>LEGAL PRACTICE</b> Principal Partner, Frendo Advocates 2008-2012; Foreign Clients represented in Malta include global companies such as Odebrecht Group (Brazil), HNA Group (China) and QSI International (USA).</p> <p>Partner and Head, Telecommunications, IT and Media Practice, and European Law practice, Gatt Frendo Tufigno, Advocates (now GTG Advocates), 1997-2004 of which Managing Partner 1997-2002; Foreign Clients represented included companies such as Microsoft, SITTA, Cintra, Grupo Ferrovial, ACSA (Airport Company South Africa).</p> <p>Partner, Scicluna &amp; Frendo, Advocates, (General Civil/Commercial Practice) 1985 – 1990; Mainly local practice and referrals from London firms.</p> <p>- <b>CONSULTANCY</b> Principal, Salamander (Consultancy) Ltd assisting companies in business development, consultancy and government relations in Malta and in its immediate region as well as the Middle East and the Gulf and countries of the Commonwealth.</p> <p>- <b>UNIVERSITY</b> Senior Lecturer (Part-time) Faculty of Law, ICT Department. Has taught Telecommunications and E-Business Law (MA), European Law, Private International Law Since 1987. Co-ordinator of the Gaming Law unit, Course of Laws, University of Malta.</p> <p>Visiting Lecturer, Grenoble University, MA in E-Business teaching “The Legal Environment of E-Business” (2002);</p>	

Visiting Lecturer, Maastricht School of Management – Malta Institute of Management, Masters in Business Administration “Fundamentals of the European Union and its acquis”, (2003-2006).

- **SALES AND MANAGEMENT**

Training and Customer Liaison Manager, (1980-1982), earlier International Sales and Marketing Executive (1979-1980), Eurolex Ltd, Thomson Corporation now Thomson-Reuters, London, United Kingdom.

Authored the EUROLEX user handbook (Eurolex was the first British legal on-line database covering UK and European law and case-law, made available on a Europe-wide level).

- **GOVERNMENT**

**Minister of Foreign Affairs** with responsibility also for relations with the European Union, International Economic Organisations, External Trade, Development: 2004 – 2008;

**Minister for Transport, Communications and Technology** with responsibility also for Telemalta Corporation (now Maltacom Plc), Malta Council for Science and Technology, Civil Aviation, Malta International Airport, Maritime Affairs, Malta Maritime Authority, Postal Services, Public Transport Authority, Traffic, Major Roads Network: 1994-1996.

**Minister of State (Parliamentary Secretary) for Youth and the Arts** with responsibility for Broadcasting, Culture, Sport, Youth, Consumer Protection: 1990-1992.

- **PARLIAMENT**

Speaker, House of Representatives, Maltese Parliament 2010-;\*

Chairman, Foreign Affairs Committee, Maltese Parliament, 2008-2010; 2003-2004;\*

Member of Maltese Parliament, Since 1987-;\*

(Observer) Member of the European Parliament 2003-2004;

First Vice-President, Joint Parliamentary Committee, European Parliament-Maltese Parliament, 1999-2004; Member of the Joint Committee Maltese Parliament - European Parliament (EU) 1996-1998. Chairman (formerly Member) Maltese Parliamentary Delegation to the European Parliament (EU) 1987-1992;

Member, Foreign Affairs Committee, House of Representatives, 1999-2003;

Shadow Minister for Commerce, 1996-1998.

- **INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS**

• Member, European Convention on the Future of Europe, Brussels 2002-2003;

• Conciliator to the Court of Conciliation and Arbitration, Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), Vienna 2001-2004;

• President, Eurocontrol, Brussels 1995/6;

Member, Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, Strasbourg (Also Member of the Economic Affairs Committee; Member of the Environment Committee) 1987-1992;

- **PRESENTATIONS, PUBLICATIONS, BOOKS**

Numerous presentations on a number of subjects and is the author of many books and publications on law and on current affairs. A representative list follows:

- *Telecommunications, Media and IT*

- Data Protection in Malta: Compliance with the EU Directive and Maltese Law, in conference “Ensuring Compliance with Your Data Protection Obligations – Tips, Traps and Techniques for Business”, Malta Business Bureau, Valletta, Malta, February 2004
- Telecommunications Liberation for Economic Growth, Keynote presentation in ENCIP/ European Commission/Malta Communications Authority conference on Telecommunications Reforms, A Euro-Mediterranean Dialogue, Meda Telecom Project, Malta, October 2002
- Money Laundering, Taxation and all that: Serious regulation of I-Gaming, in Small Jurisdictions I-Gaming Seminar, PKF Malta, Barcelona, October 2002
- A Strategy for a Legal Framework of E-Commerce in 'From Digital Divide to E-Economy: Strategies for Public Policy', The Commonwealth Network of Information Technology for Development, Malta, July 2002
- Adopting the new EU Acquis on electronic communications in candidate countries, in European Ministerial Conference, “The Information Society - Connecting Europe”, European Commission-Slovenian Government, Thematic Session 2, Information Infrastructure, Ljubljana, Slovenia, 3- 4 June 2002
- The Legal Aspects of E-Commerce, in Managing E-Commerce, The Institute for the Management of Information Systems (IMIS) Malta Branch, Malta, May 2002
- Course on Compliance with Data Protection Legislation, (E-Tech and Malta Institute of Management), Malta, April, 2002
- Aspects of European Regulation of E-Commerce, in Id-Dritt, Law Journal, Volume XVIII, 2002, University of Malta.
- Clients’ Rights in a Liberalised Telecommunications Environment, in Forum organised by the Malta Communications Authority, November 2001
- The eEurope Initiative. A regional ICT Plan to Compete Globally, a presentation at the Regional Initiative for Information and Communications Technology Strategies Conference, Kuala Lumpur, July 2001
- The Regulation of Telecoms in Malta, in Telecoms 2001, telecoms in 32 jurisdictions worldwide, Global Competition Review, London
- Legal Aspects of e-Commerce, a presentation at the Regional Initiative for Information and Communications Technology Strategies Conference, Kuala Lumpur, July 2001
- The Regulation of Telecoms in Malta, in Telecoms, in 32 jurisdictions, Getting the Deal Through, Global Competition Review, Law, Business Research Ltd, 2001
- In Information Technology, the Law is an Ass, in Managing IT, a Deloitte Touche Tomatsu International Conference, Malta, October 2000
- The New Maltese Cyberlaws and developments in the European Union, in The New Cyberlaws and Your Business, a EuropAdvise international conference, in collaboration with Gatt Frendo Tufigno, Advocates, Malta, June 2000 (Conference Chairman)
- E-Commerce: The Need to Legislate for Developing Countries, in Information Technology & Globalisation, Implications for People-Centred Development, The Commonwealth Network of Information Technology for Development, (COMNET-

IT), Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting, Durban, South Africa, December 1999.

- Legal Aspects of E-commerce, a presentation at a KPMG International Conference, “E-commerce”, Malta, November 1999
- Legal Aspects of E-commerce, a presentation at the World Jurist Associations Bi-annual Conference in Budapest and Vienna, October 1999
- Telecommunications and the Euro-Med Process, paper presented at the EDS International Conference “Euro-Med: More than a Geographic Expression?”, Valletta, July, 1999
- Legal Issues of Y2K, A presentation with Thelen Reid & Priest and KPMG, Malta, March 1999
- The Liberalisation of Broadcasting in Malta, Keynote Speech in the National Conference on Redefining the role of Public Broadcasting in Malta, 11-15 January 1999
- Telecommunications in “Small Island States”, in Law and Technology Journal, WJA, Washington D.C., U.S.A, 1999
- Competition or Cooperation?, Policy Roundtable Panel Member and presentation (chaired by Yoshio Utsumi), Strategies Summit, Telecom '95, International Telecommunications Union, Geneva, October 1995
- Progressive Liberalisation : The Key to Telecommunications Sector reform, Paper presented at 17th Annual Conference of the Pacific Telecommunications Council (PTC); Honolulu Hawaii, January 1995
- Why should Lawyers bother about computerised legal research?, De Jure Law Journal, 1985
- Computer Contracts – the right way, in Informatics, August/September 1984

*Books on ICT Issues:*

- Eurolex, Computerised Legal Research Handbook, European Law Centre, London, 1982

*Books on European Issues:*

- The Future is Europe, Valletta, (covering also contributions to the European Convention, Brussels) 2003
- Europe, The Case for Membership, Valletta, 1996
- Malta in the Council of Europe, NSTF, Valletta, 1990
- Malta in the European Community, Commercial and Legal considerations, Chamber of Commerce, Valletta (co-author with Professor Josef Bonnici) 1989

*Shipping:*

- The Future of Open Registers in the European Union, in Lloyds Maritime and Commercial Law Quarterly, London, UK, August 2000, 2000 L.M.C.L.Q 383
- Current Trends in the regulation of ship registration, (with Jonathan Pace), in Vol I, of Studi in Onore di Antonio Lefebvre d’Ovidio in occasione dei Cinquant’Anni del Diritto della Navigazione, Giuffre’, Facolta di Giurisprudenza, Universita’ di Macerata 1995 Two Volumes, Elda Turco Bulgherini ed., at pp457-465.

*\*In Malta, the Speaker of the House and Members of Parliament, including Chairmen of Committees, are part-time and are expected to be in full-time employment or professional or other practice. Only holders of Government Office (Ministers and Junior Ministers) are fulltime during their tenure.*