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MEA supports PL’s pronouncement on the Minimum Wage

The Malta Employers’ Association agrees with Dr. Joseph Muscat’s pronouncement that the minimum wage should not be raised beyond cost of living adjustments. The MEA maintains that the best way to move people out of poverty is have competitive enterprises which are in a position to create more jobs, whilst ensuring that minimum labour standards are enforced. The Association added that a more effective alternative to raising the minimum wage would be to increase living standards by moving as many employees as possible out of low paid jobs through the generation of higher value added jobs, training and education.