



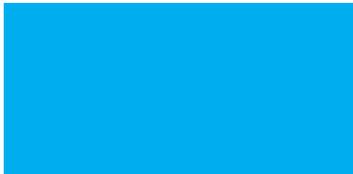
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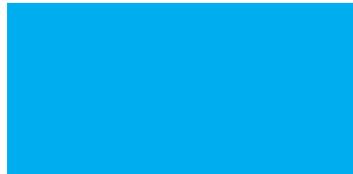
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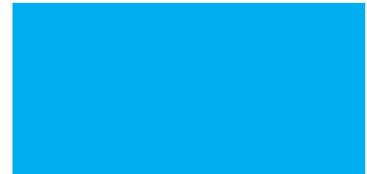
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Open Borders for Cheap Labour: A Race to the Bottom



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This government's open-door migration policy goes hand in hand with the quest to attract cheap labour for business enterprise to thrive on. The economy has grown and GDP rates have risen, but this is having two direct consequences on the labour market:

- ▶ Job competition that has led to wage contraction: lower wages for working class and mid-blue collar.
- ▶ Housing problems for working class families who cannot afford skyrocketing property and rental prices, and who cannot be expected to share a flat with several others, as many migrant workers do.

This policy in itself generates the need for even more cheap labour if GDP rates are to be sustained. In the longer term, cheap labour is not sustainable and at some point it will have to cease. But the consequences will last much longer.

A visa system is to be implemented to allow people in as and when required for a finite time. Visa will be renewed as required.

2

Over-Development:

Over-Population with no Social Planning



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Land is scarce in the Maltese islands and the countryside needs to be safeguarded. But ever-rising population levels have led to a construction boom both vertically (high-rise buildings) and horizontally (countryside encroachment). Meanwhile, social investment has been dwarfed by private investment, which is mainly rewarding business enterprise over social needs.

There can be no social planning without demographic data, and yet actual population figures remain unknown. Government figures have not been updated since 2015 and the official estimate of 475,000 is not trusted by most sectors. Many claim that the population has actually surpassed the 750,000 mark and that foreign residents are far more than the official 60K estimate, with claims of between 220,000 and 320,000 foreigners currently residing in Malta and Gozo.

Government needs to clarify the following (tourists apart):

- ▶ How many EU citizens are officially residing in Malta? How many remain unregistered?

- ▶ How many non-EU citizens have arrived from the Schengen area?
- ▶ How many residents are from East European accession and third countries?
- ▶ How many economic migrants and refugees from Africa and Middle East are residing in Malta?
- ▶ How many migrants are 'clandestine'? Is anything being done in this regard?
- ▶ How many residents are from across the world on work permits?

This lack of demographic data is having an impact on housing and social planning, as well as on resources and infrastructure, such as energy, transport, road network, water, drainage system, sea pollution, waste.

(i) statistical analysis which is ongoing and updated is needed.

(ii) merging of infrastructural services so when new roads are proposed, all infrastructure is in place, not excavated afterwards to be re-inserted.

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Mass Migration:

Stop Human Trafficking and Save Lives



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The Dublin Regulation stipulates that entry-point countries are made responsible for each asylum seeker that enters the EU wherever they may subsequently travel across the EU. Given that Malta is an EU-entry point in the middle of the Mediterranean, our government should be at the forefront to reform the Dublin Regulation. This has placed a burden on countries like Malta, leading to a forced burden-sharing strategy that has largely failed. It has also attracted more migrants and more deaths at sea.

The EU needs to tackle mass migration rather than facilitate it under the ploy of assisting asylum seekers, the majority of which are economic migrants. As such, the role of Frontex should be changed from a facilitator to one that engages human traffickers with the help of member states' forces.

Alleanza Bidla believes that more focus should be afforded to both the sources and causes of mass migration. What has been happening in the Mediterranean needs to be investigated, especially the role of human traffickers operating across Sub-Saharan Africa through Libya and the NGO rescue ships that make it all possible. This, in the light of the fact that no dinghy is ever meant to cross the Mediterranean - and none has been seen doing so. In this context, less human trafficking means less deaths at sea. Are we ready to be complicit with smugglers and ensure more deaths?

Moreover, the Libya visa scandal has proven how vulnerable European security is to terrorist infiltration, and not just through illegal migration. Alleanza Bidla has been a prime mover in alerting EU citizens to this threat, having exposed a visa racket that involved Maltese government officials.

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The Family:

Safeguarding our Christian Values



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Over the past decade, Malta's open-border policy has attracted an influx averaging well over 10,000 foreign residents annually. That is like adding a Maltese town or village every year! Along with other evident causes, this sudden foreign influx is changing Maltese society faster than Maltese culture can ever shape the ever-rising number of foreigners. The very fabric of the Maltese family, once deeply ingrained in Christian values, is at great risk. The results today are far from auspicious.

While acknowledging civil rights and freedom of choice, Alleanza Bidla gives significant value to our Christian foundation, especially in aspects of family, gender, education and the right to life from conception.

Every step against the anti-conservative, so-called 'progressive' agenda is a step towards freeing our minds of delusions.

5

Decision-Making:

EU Governance vs. National Democracy



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The current political divide at EU level is not Left vs Right, as much as Globalism vs. National Democracy. And the concept of EU Governance, now firmly ingrained in the mind of every EU-federalist, is indeed a prototype of what the global elite have in mind across the world. In this context, the EU debate revolves around extents of decision-making powers at supranational (EU) and national levels.

The question here is whether we want 'More Europe' with more supranational powers, or less Europe; whether we want a Europe governed by unelected bureaucrats in the Commission proposing and determining in even more areas of national governance, or whether we should reform the EU in a way for member states to regain control over important areas of governance, especially in the economic, financial and fiscal fields.

'More Europe' essentially means that the EU will further encroach over the governance of member states and move on towards EU tax harmonisation as well as direct EU taxation (federal tax). 'More Europe' also means the now manifest thrust towards a European army with meddling, expansionist aims.

With 'More Europe', not only national democracy suffers, but democracy in Europe as a whole.

Alleanza Bidla is the only party advocating for a European Union that respects the national decision-making and sovereignty of all states.



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