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LOUIS GALEA

As Member of the European Court of Auditors (2010 – 2016) Mr Galea sits in Chamber IV which prepares annual and special reports concerning the financial and performance audit in different EU budget policy areas – revenue, administrative expenditure of EU Institutions and bodies, research and internal policies, financial and economic governance.

Mr Galea was the Dean of Chamber IV for 2012 – 2014. Before that he was the Court's reporting member for the institutions' administrative expenditure and for the European Schools. Currently he is the reporting member for the EU Agencies and Joint Undertakings.

Mr Galea was the Court's *Rapporteur* for a number of special reports, including, on the External Borders Fund, the Eurostat's production of European Statistics, staff development in the European Commission, the management of the European Anti-Fraud Office, and an analysis of the EP report on the issue of the multi-site European Parliament facilities. He was also responsible for a number of Opinions issued by the Court.

Before being appointed to the Court Mr Galea was Speaker of the Malta Parliament. Before that he was Government Minister for close to twenty years (1987 – 2008) with responsibilities ranging from social development, including health, to education; from employment to home affairs, including national security and correctional facilities; from culture and the arts to women, family, children and special needs policy areas.

He was elected to the Malta Parliament in 1976 and continued to be an MP until 2008 when he was unanimously elected Speaker presiding Parliament and supporting different Parliamentary Committees, including the Public Accounts Committee, the National Audit Office and the Ombudsman. In the course of Malta's negotiations to join the EU Mr Galea was the Co-Chairperson of the Malta-EU Joint Parliamentary Committee for the years 1998-2004.

Between 1977 and 1987 he was the General Secretary of the Partit Nazzjonalista (PN).

Louis Galea studied at the University of Malta and is a lawyer by profession. For ten years between 1999 and 2010 he lectured on social and labour law in the Department of Public Law of the same University.

Mr Galea has been honoured by the Kingdom of Spain, and the Republics of France, Bulgaria and Cyprus.

Born in Malta in 1948, Louis Galea is married to Vincienne Zammit and they have four children.