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To: College Principals, All Heads of Secondary Schools (State and Non-State) and Sections

From: Dunstan Hamilton and Stephen Camilleri –

Education Officers, Personal Social & Career Development (PSCD)

Subject: Educational Opportunities beyond Secondary Schooling Seminar for PSCD teachers

Heads of Schools are kindly informed that a seminar for PSCD teachers who are **not** Guidance teachers is being organized in collaboration with the Euroguidance Malta Network managed by the European Union Programmes Agency (EUPA).

Over these last few years the element of Careers has been included in the Personal and Social Development offered to students in schools through PSCD. Lessons have also been increased from 1 to 2 lessons per week, so as to have time dedicated to the aspect of Careers. PSCD teachers support learners in Year 11 (Form 5) to consider different options beyond secondary schooling and encourage them to positively consider furthering their studies in a post-secondary institution.

The seminar is one of 'information giving' (attached seminar programme). The target audience are PSCD teachers who are not Guidance teachers and who therefore may have limited knowledge of available options. PSCD teachers need to be aware of opportunities available at the major non-fee paying post-secondary institutions, to be able to discuss the options available in class.

Date: Monday 7th November 2016

Location: Le Meridien Hotel (Balluta), St Julian's

Time: 8.30am - 2.30pm

Participation is free of charge, on a first come first serve basis. Free parking inside the hotel will be available, also on a first come first served basis. Participants are to ask at the registration desk for parking vouchers on the day.

PSCD teachers wishing to attend, with the approval of the Head of School, are kindly asked to register by writing an email to Ms Lillian Mallia at emmanuela.mallia@gov.mt. The deadline date for registration is **Monday 31st October 2016 at noon**. There are only 100 places available.

Thank you for your cooperation.

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