



MALTA RESOURCES AUTHORITY

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**MALTA LAUNCHES A CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR
OFFSHORE WINDFARM DEVELOPEMNT**

The Malta Resources Authority, acting on behalf of the Government of Malta is launching a Call for Expressions of Interest from interested parties that are capable and willing to undertake offshore wind projects with a final capacity of between 75 and 100 Megawatt (peak) in Maltese territorial waters on a public private partnership basis.

Responses will help the Government of Malta to proceed with the next phase of the process leading to the exploitation of offshore wind energy.

The developer/s who will subsequently be granted authorisation(s) will be expected to finance build, and operate offshore wind farms, with the Government providing the marine site(s) on a concessionary basis and the distribution network operator (Enemalta Corporation) purchasing the energy so produced at agreed fixed tariff(s) and terms.

The Call is being published in the Government Gazette and in the Official Journal of the European Union on Friday 4th August 2006 and submissions will be received until 3rd October 2006.

Copies of the Call may be obtained from the:

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