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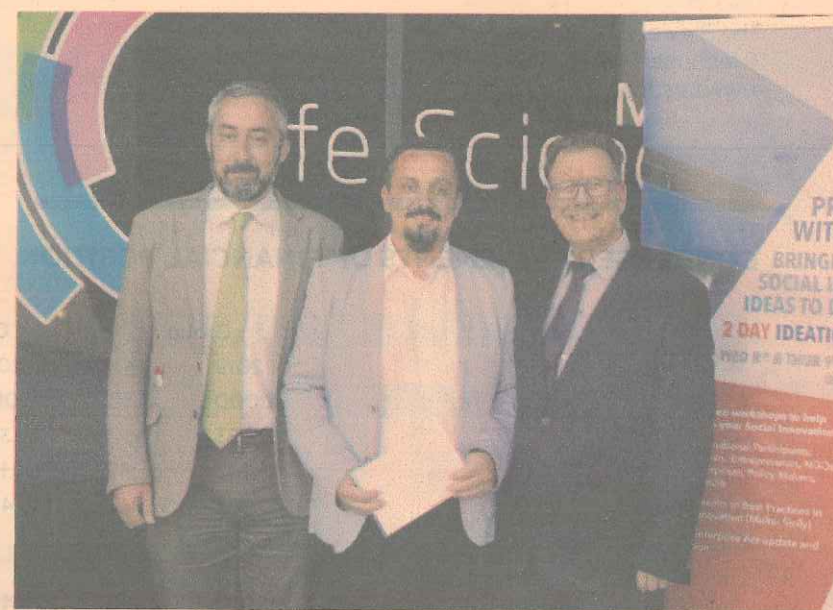


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By Christian Kneubühl - 17/05/2019



From left: Rafael Pascual Lema, Valletta Design Cluster Manager, David Callagy Floridia from Social Stories, and Joseph Sammut, Chairman of the Malta Life Sciences Park (Source: Profit with Purpose)

Awards worth of a total of €24,000 were distributed at the end of Profit with Purpose, a two-day social innovation ideation event held at the Malta Innovation Hub, which is part of the Malta Life Sciences Park, according to a press statement sent to Business Malta.

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EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND LOCAL COUNCIL ELECTIONS - 25TH MAY, 2019

Persons who have not yet received their voting document/s

The Electoral Commission notifies voters that today is the last half day in which they may call **personally** at their Local Police Station to collect their voting document/s by showing their Identity or Residence Card as follows:

Sunday 19th May:

8.00 a.m. until 1.00 p.m.

Voting documents registered under Marsalforn shall be collected from Kaċċatur Flats, Xagħra Road, Marsalforn. In the locality of St. Paul's Bay voting documents shall be collected from the Qawra Police Station. In the locality of Marsaskala voting documents shall be collected from St Joachim's Primary School. In the localities of Bormla, Fontana, Ghasri, Iklın, Lija, Marsaxlokk, Pembroke and Ta' Xbiex, voting documents shall be collected from the Local Council Office during the same days and hours.

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