



The Kummer-Vanotti-Foundation Project Proposal: Afforestation in Malta

Our Foundation: The non-profit Kummer-Vanotti Foundation supports projects that deal with environmental and climate protection in a particularly creative way. It promotes the connection between art and the environment. To this end, an art prize is awarded regularly to encourage young artists in particular to apply. The winning art object is exhibited in public spaces in order to make the addressed motif accessible to a broad public. Furthermore, we support environmental and climate protection projects with the foundation's capital, in particular we want to engage in reforestation. After all, reforestation can save a lot of climate gas with few resources.



Why reforestation in Malta? Most important of all, forests are responsible for maintaining the balance of carbon dioxide and oxygen in the earth's atmosphere. Therefore, **reforestation** plays an important role in order to overcome deforestation and to restore the natural balance of plant life on the planet. Forest area (% of land area) in Malta was 1.09 as of 2016. Its highest value over the past 26 years was 1.09 in 2016, while its lowest value was 1.09 in 1990 (Sweden: 68 %, Germany: 32 %). This is why we want to work with the Maltese government to increase the proportion of forest cover, which will have a positive impact on air quality. Our foundation will provide financial means for the purchase of seedlings in the next few years.



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