

NCFHE COMMUNICATION NCFHE/02/2020

Title: Updated Statement on coronavirus (COVID-19)

From: CEO, NCFHE **Date:** 18/03/2020

Dear colleagues,

With reference to the press conference held on the 12th March 2020, where the closure of schools and all other educational institutions was announced, as to prevent the spread of Covid-19, the Government after consultations with the Health Authorities is announcing today that the period of closure of these institutions is being extended till Friday 17th April, the end of the Easter holidays. Closer to date (i.e. 17th April) Government reserves the right to issue further communications after consulting with the Health Authorities.

The National Commission for Further and Higher Education remains on schedule. We are actively monitoring the situation surrounding the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak, and based on the current Malta Government advice, we ask stakeholders for their full cooperation in line with the press releases issued by the OPM from time to time.

We advise all stakeholders to monitor advice from the national government and to ensure that they have adequate measures in place. In light of this situation NCFHE will not be holding any meetings in person at our premises in Hamrun until further notice. We will continue to monitor the development of the situation closely and will post updates if and when required.

Regards,

CEO, NCFHE