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To the attention of: All Heads of Schools, All Educators

Subject: Webinar for Parents and guardians - Human Potential Project Proposal - Future Skills for Malta – 22nd April 2021

Application Link: [WEBHSBC01/02/2021](https://www.hsbc.com/ma/education/parents-guardians-webinar)

Deadline: 16th April 2021

The Institute for Education in collaboration with HSBC Malta Foundation is offering parents and guardians the opportunity to join a free online webinar **Human Potential Project Proposal - Future Skills for Malta** on the **22nd April 2021** at **16:00-17:00**.

This webinar first sets out the economic background of Malta, with a focus on the labour productivity of the different economic sectors. It then provides a discussion on the labour market forecast and the skills this is likely to impact on, which then leads us to the role of education for the economy to remain competitive in a post-pandemic world.

Economies grow and develop, demanding new skills from workers. Recent decades have brought significant new changes in the way businesses operate and this had an impact on the loss of jobs, the creation of new ones, the obsolescence of skills and the need to equip oneself with new knowledge and capabilities. The 2004 EU membership, the 2008 recession and the 2020 pandemic have all necessitated focuses and a new skills-set. This is expected to be more intense in the coming years.

The key speakers of this webinar will be **Dr Rose Marie Azzopardi** and **Prof Alexiei Dingli** who will be presenting their research recommendations in terms of the industries this project will focus on. This is based on the belief that these industries have the potential to continue to grow, but also need new skills to flourish and remain competitive. The webinar will conclude with an open discussion.

Interested applicants are kindly asked to submit an online application by following the link: [WEBHSBC01/02/2021](https://www.hsbc.com/ma/education/parents-guardians-webinar) by **Friday, 16th April 2021**.

Thank you.

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