

Thematic Lecture

Mental health risks and concerns

strategic goals and best practices for prevention, treatment and care



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DATE - 29th October 2026 - 9:00am
VENUE - Plenary Hall, Parliament of Malta


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Parliamentary Ombudsman - Malta

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PROGRAMME

29th October 2026 - 09:00am
Plenary Hall, Parliament Building

09:00 AM - 09:30 AM	Registration and Welcome Coffee • Arrival and Registration of Guests • Welcome Coffee
09:30 AM - 09:40 AM	Opening Remarks by the Speaker of the House, the Hon. Carmelo Abela
09:40 AM - 09:50 AM	Speech by the Parliamentary Ombudsman of Malta, Judge Joseph Zammit McKeon
09:50 AM - 10:10 AM	Keynote Speech by Dr Adrian James, Medical Director for Mental Health and Neurodiversity
10:10 AM - 10:55 PM	Thematic Lecture by Professor Sir Simon Wessely, GBE, FRS, Regius Professor of Psychiatry at the Institute of Psychiatry, King's College London
10:55 AM - 11:00 PM	Intervention by the Commissioner for Health, Professor Raymond Galea
11:00 AM - 11:15 AM	Keynote Speech by Professor Anton Grech, Chairman Department of Psychiatry
11:15 AM - 12:00 PM	Keynote Speech by Baroness Professor Clare Gerada of Kennington, a prominent Maltese British GP and mental health expert
12:00 PM - 12:45 PM	Question and Answer Session moderated by the Parliamentary Ombudsman, Judge Joseph Zammit McKeon and Prof. Raymond Galea, Commissioner for Health
12:45 PM - 1:00 PM	Closing Remarks by the Speaker of the House, the Hon Carmelo Abela
1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Standing Lunch