

# **Caritas Malta Epilepsy Association**

**The First 10 Years**

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# 1996 The Birth of: Caritas Malta Epilepsy Support Group.

## Objectives of the Support Group

- People with epilepsy meeting together to share their experiences.
- Professionals delivering talks on epilepsy.
- One becomes aware that he / she is not the only person suffering from epilepsy.



**16th May 2001 Change to:**  
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- The Core Group agreed to join an International Organisation to help us in our work. The group became an association and applied for membership with the International Bureau of Epilepsy.



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## **Main Objectives of the Association:**

- Promote public awareness and education and epilepsy.**
- Improve public image of the person with epilepsy.**
- Enhance the self image and self confidence of persons with epilepsy.**



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- To stifle local discrimination of people with epilepsy and minimise the social consequences brought about by this condition.
- To counsel and educate persons with epilepsy and their families on coming to terms with, and adapting to epilepsy.



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- To present the interests, rights, needs, grievances and problems of persons with epilepsy to the notice of policy makers.
- To promote the exchange of information with other organisations.

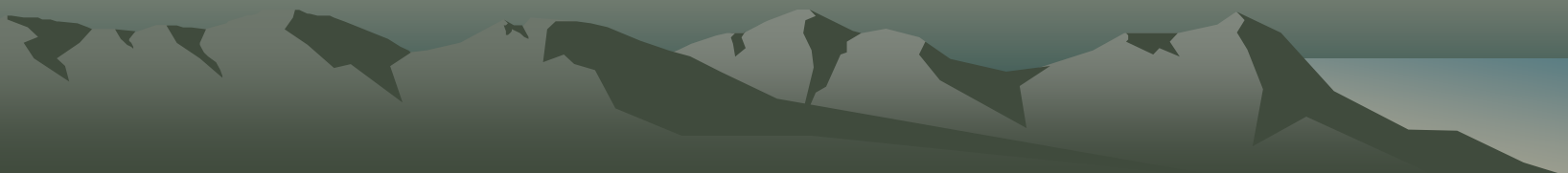


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## Activities 1

### Conferences:

- 2001 “L-Epilessija Fil-Miftuh – Esperjenzi F’Malta”
- 2003 “Malta, l-Epilessija u t-Tfal – Flimkien Naslu”
- 2006 “CMEA : Ghaxar snin ta’ Hidma – “L-Impatt Socjali”



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## Activities 2

- 9th European Conference on Epilepsy and Society “Focus on Change” 2004
- Attendance of European Epilepsy Conferences abroad.
- Youths active in Epilepsy Youth in Europe.
- Grundtvig Programme: Curricular Education for Professionals Allied to Medicine



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## **Other Activities**

- a Interviews on TV and Radio**
- b Newspaper articles**
- c Talks to teachers in schools**
- d Talks to various organisations**
- e In-service courses for teachers / Head of Schools**
- f Youth Section**

