

ACT is a multi-disciplinary firm made up of young, dynamic and experienced professionals providing Advisory, Corporate, Tax and other related services to an extensive array of international clients. We are a boutique firm, providing a comprehensive range of tax advisory and tax compliance services as well as a variety of specialist corporate services. The company is an accountancy firm registered with the Maltese Accountancy Board as well as a Corporate Services Provider, authorised by the Malta Financial Services Authority to provide CSP services.

The firm's personnel strive to be the best to provide an efficient service to our clients, who range from private individuals and family owned business to medium sized and multi-national enterprises. We give utmost importance to our clients' needs and we strive to be as efficient, professional and timely in whatever we do. Our values include trust, competence and integrity.

At ACT you will find an experienced team of professionals whose main target is to exceed our clients' expectation whilst keeping an honest and personal approach to their needs. We believe that by focusing on our clients' needs, we will create confidence, trust and loyalty.

We believe that the only way to build and maintain successful long term relationships with our clients is to act promptly on their requests and to provide helpful and professional service in a timely, efficient and professional manner. We have set our bar very high when it comes to professional standards, in order to ensure that we will provide value added to our clients and endeavour to be the best in whatever we do.

The firm is a member of EuropeFides (http://www.europefides.eu/), an independent association of legal, tax, accounting and audit service providers around the world. ACT is also a member of the International VAT Association (https://www.vatassociation.org/), a leading independent body of international VAT and GST issues. Through our international contacts across the globe, we can assist clients in taking their business overseas.

## Our Services

- Company formation
- Secretarial compliance services
- Acting as company directors and secretaries
- Provision of registered office
- Direct tax services
- Indirect tax services
- Immigration and residence
- Accountancy and book-keeping services
- Payroll services
- Registration of private yachts and commercial ships
- Assistance to gaming companies in obtaining a gaming license
- Insolvency and liquidations
- Assistance to financial services companies in obtaining an investment services license
- Recruitment and HR services
- Assistance to private individuals to take up residence in Malta
- Assistance to private individuals to obtain Maltese Citizenship

We would be more than happy to assist you in whatever you may need. Please contact one of the firm's partners or email us on info@act.com.mt.



## Stephen Balzan

Stephen is in director in charge of the Tax, Corporate Services and Private Clients' Departments of the firm. He is the company's Money Laundering Reporting Officer (MLRO).

Stephen was a tax partner of another multi-disciplinary organisation for thirteen years. Stephen is an accountant by profession and has also worked with two of the Big Audit firms for six years. He has, over the past years, assisted a number of international and local clients in their tax compliance requirements and advised them on various cross border issues including the most tax efficient

way to set up their structures in Malta. He has extensive experience in advising clients in the set-up of complex crossborder structures through the use of Maltese limited liability companies. Main areas of interest include international tax planning, capital gains and business development. Apart from his experience in international tax matters, including treaty interpretation and advice, he also has a great deal of knowledge on corporate matters, company law, management and administration. He specializes in treaty planning, holding companies and treasury and finance operations. Stephen is a member of The Malta Institute of Taxation (MIT), The Malta Institute of Accountants (MIA), The Institute of Financial Services Practitioners (IFSP), The International Tax Planning Association (ITPA), The Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners (STEP) The International Fiscal Association (IFA).

He was actively involved in various committees in the fields of taxation and he has, on a number of occasions, lectured on topics related to international tax, both in Malta and overseas. In November 2006, he was invited by the Swedish Institute of Auditors (IREV) to

deliver a presentation on international tax issues and on the incentives provided by Maltese fiscal legislation to international investors. Stephen has in the past given various lectures and presentations and is the author of various articles on taxation. He was also a part time lecturer with a number of Maltese leading educational institutes, lecturing international tax topics such as Transfer Pricing to students and other professionals.



## **Christabel Spiteri**

Christabel is the director in charge of the Accounting, Audit and Administration's Departments of the firm.

Christabel obtained her ACCA qualification in 2016. She is a Certified Public Accountant, holds a Practicing Certificate in Auditing and is a certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist. She is a member of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA), the Malta Institute of Accountants. (MIA) and The Association of Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialists (ACAMS).

She has extensive experience in both accounting and auditing that stretches to more than 13 years working on a diversified portfolio of clients, mainly international clients.



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