



SOVEREIGN ORDER OF SAINT JOHN OF JERUSALEM  
KNIGHTS OF MALTA  
FEDERATION OF THE AUTONOMOUS PRIORIES

*Magisterial House*

**MAGISTERIAL DECREE 05 / 2019**

To all Dames and Knights, Brethren of  
Our Sovereign Order of Saint John of Jerusalem  
Knights of Malta  
Federation of Autonomous Priories,  
let it be known by the present letters that

We, José, by the Grace of God Hereditary Regent and Grand Chancellor of the Sovereign Order of Cyprus, Hereditary Grand Prior and Procurator General of the Grand Priory of the Most Holy Trinity of Villedieu and, by the Will of Our fellow Knights, Prince Grand Master and Head of State of the Federation of Autonomous Priories of the Sovereign Order of Saint John of Jerusalem, also said of the Knights Hospitallers or of Malta, in virtue of the powers bestowed upon Us,;

Having considered the request to create in Our State a new Institute dedicated to Human Resources that can promote research in this field and also promote the correct and fair Management of Human Resources, as well as the need of appointing its respective President ;

Having considered the very well succeeded person as well as the professional and scientific career of the Knight appointed hereinafter by the present Decree, who is well known to Us;

By proposal of Our Prime Minister and after having consulted with the competent Governmental bodies in accordance with the Article 8th of the Chapter VII of Our Constitutional Letter;

having had all the above stated facts in consideration and, in accordance with all the Articles of Chapter II and the Articles nr.º 2, nr.º 3, nº 4 and nrº 8 of the Chapter VII of the Constitutional Letter, a of our State;

We come to decree and We do decree:

ARTICLE 1. By the present Decree We create the following Institute:

**THE MAGISTERIAL INSTITUTE FOR HUMAN  
RESOURCES OF KMFAP**

a) This Magisterial Institute will be economically self sustained.

ARTICLE 2. The New Institute will be placed under the tutelage and jurisdiction of the Prime Minister of the Government of our State.



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**ARTICLE 3.** As President of the Magisterial Institute for Human Resources of KMFAP we come to appoint

*Sir Josef Novak*

a) The new of President will report directly to the Prime Minister.

**ARTICLE 4.** The Institute aforementioned in Article 1. is NOT, can NOT and will NOT, now or in the future, be considered, styled or recognized as Autonomous, for any purposes whatsoever, since it is an integrant part of the structure of the Federation of Autonomous Priories of the Sovereign Order of Saint John of Jerusalem, said of the Knights of Malta, and therefore can NOT, and will NOT exist out of the context of this Federation.

**ARTICLE 5.** If, for any reason, whatsoever, the Institute created and constituted by Our present Decree will attempt to separate, act without the knowledge and the consent of Our Magisterial House, or act apart or independently from The Federation of Priories, from its Grand Master or its Government, or against their orders and instructions, its leaders, as well as all of the Knights and Dames supporting them, will automatically be dishonorably expelled from Our Sovereign Order, and accordingly to the seriousness of the situation, the Institute, itself, may be considered and declared by The Prince Grand Master as extinct and dissolved, all this being valid from the day of the event on and with no right of appeal of any kind.

**ARTICLE 6.** The present Magisterial Decree is effective from this day on.

This decree, was given in two pages at Our Magisterial House in Malta, in the city of Zejtun “ Città Belland “, on this 22<sup>th</sup> day of the month of January of the year of our Lord 2019 and to it We affix Our Hand and Seals in use at this House.



**His Most Eminent Highness José, Prince**  
GRAND MASTER and HEAD OF STATE