

## Anti Fraud and Corruption Train the Trainers Introductory Course



Between the 22<sup>nd</sup> and the 26<sup>th</sup> of March 2010, the first part of a two week train the trainer anti fraud and corruption course was organised by the Internal Audit and Investigations Division. The Internal Audit and Investigations Division is designated as the Anti Fraud Co-ordinating Service Malta by OLAF, and the implementing body for the National Anti Fraud and Corruption

Strategy, which was tabled in Parliament by the Hon Prime Minister, Dr Lawrence Gonzi in November 2008. The course fulfils Malta's obligations in terms of the Group of States against Corruption of the Council of Europe and forms an integral part of the National Anti Fraud and Corruption Strategy.

The aim of the course is for participants to enhance their understanding of fraud and corruption and their causes and familiarise themselves with anti fraud and corruption legislation. Participants will also acquire further knowledge on how fraud and corruption can be prevented, deterred and detected.

The Hon Prime Minister Dr Lawrence Gonzi addressed the participants during a visit to the MCST, where the course was being held.



The course was facilitated by Sergeant Glenn Goodwin and Detective Sergeant Michael Betts, crime trainers at the Ministry of Defence Police and Guarding Agency of the United Kingdom. Dr Silvio Camilleri, Attorney General delivered a comprehensive session on anti fraud and corruption legislation in Malta, and international conventions to which Malta is party. The second week of the course will be delivered between the 24<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> of May 2010.

Thirty three public officials participated in the course. The participants came from the various different fraud and corruption fighting public organisations in Malta. Sixteen public organisations were represented in the course.

The intention behind the course is for the public administration to have a cadre of trainers in anti fraud and corruption, who will be able to deliver such training to their colleagues. In this manner the contents of the course would be disseminated to all public employees who manage, administer or work in finance, accounts and corporate services sections within the public administration, and to all public officials directly involved in the fight against fraud and corruption.

