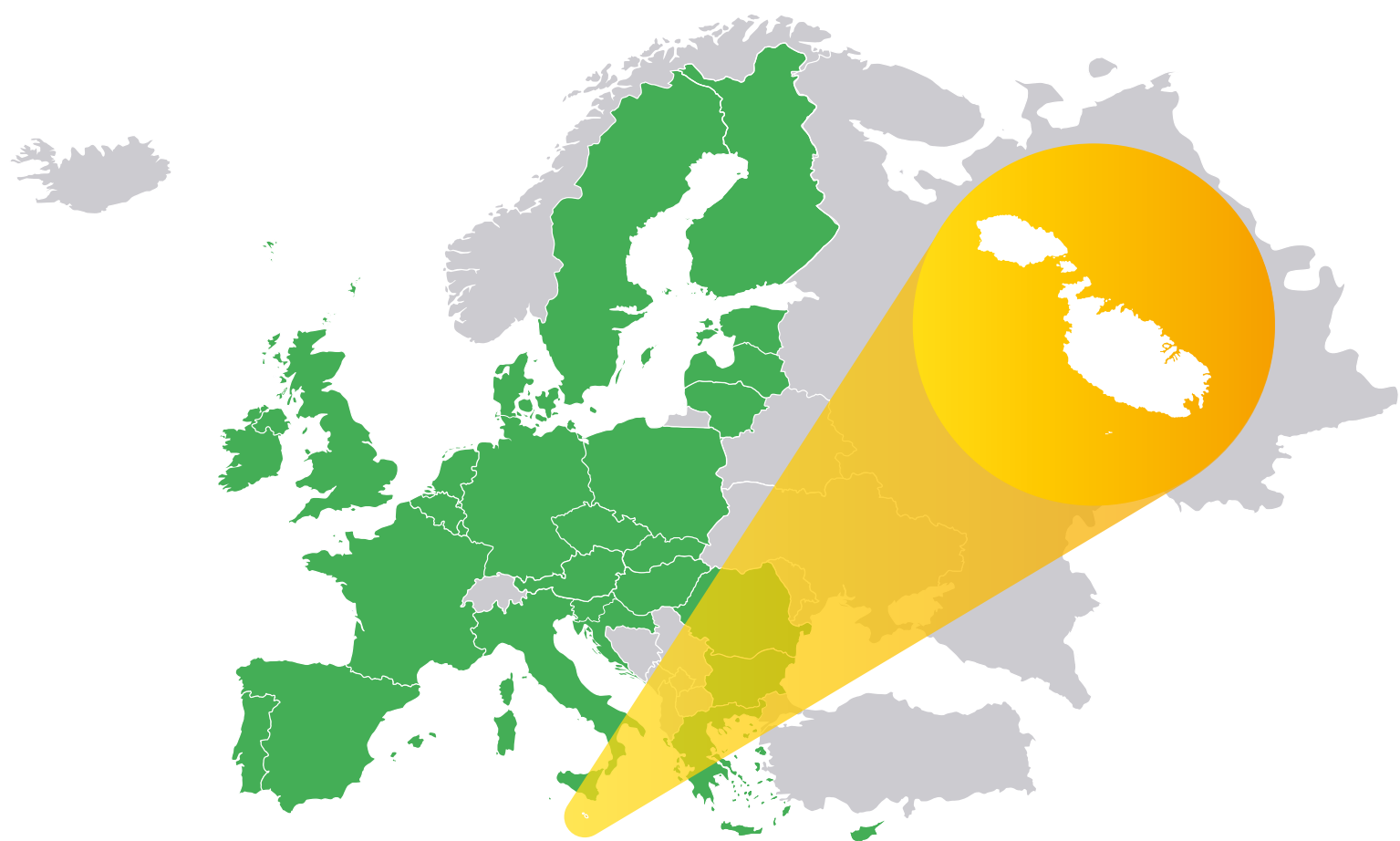


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Minerals policy governance	
<u>Horizontal policy integration</u>	
Mechanisms for ministerial coordination	Inter-ministerial consultation process
<u>Vertical policy integration</u>	
Mechanisms for governmental organisation coordination	There are no mechanisms for governmental organisations coordination, since there exists no regional level of government authorities.
<u>Stakeholder Integration</u>	
Mechanisms for stakeholder involvement	Public consultation process; On-demand physical meetings
<u>Policy evaluation</u>	
Mechanisms for policy evaluation	There are no evaluation mechanisms in place as regards minerals policy

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		POLICY 1
		Malta Resources Authority Act Chap 423
Title (original language)		Awtorita' ta' Malta Dwar ir-Rizorsi Kap 423
Title (translation in english)		Malta Resources Authority Act Chap 423
Year (and identification number if available)		last updated: 31st July 2015
Short description		This act (as amended by Act XXIII of 2009) provides the establishment of an Authority of regulatory functions regarding resources relating to water, energy and mineral resources.
Access to document (hyperlink IN NATIONAL LANGUAGES)		http://justiceservices.gov.mt/DownloadDocument.aspx?app=lom&itemid=8889&l=2
Access to document (hyperlink IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE)		http://www.justiceservices.gov.mt/DownloadDocument.aspx?app=lom&itemid=8889&l=1
Access to document (document name providing information on the policy)		
Responsible for the design of the policy		Ministry Responsible for Resources
Responsible for the implementation of the policy		Malta Resources Authority
Responsible person / policy maker at the ministerial level		Minister responsible for Resources
Policy instrument type		Legislation
Stand-alone policy (or to which policy it is subordinate or ancillary)		yes
Value chain relevance (1=relevant; 0=not relevant)	EXPLORATION (including permitting)	Not Applicable
	EXTRACTION (incl. Permitting)	1
	mineral and metallurgical PROCESSING (incl. Permitting)	Not Applicable
	MINE CLOSURE / WASTE management (incl. Permitting)	Not Applicable
	DEEP SEA MINING	Not Applicable
	DATA and knowledge base	Not Applicable

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		POLICY 2
		Land Acquisition Ordinance
Title (original language)		-
Title (translation in english)		Land Acquisition Ordinance
Year (and identification number if available)		No.1935
Short description		The Land Acquisition Ordinance regulates the acquisition of land for public purposes and establishes the procedures.
Access to document (hyperlink IN NATIONAL LANGUAGES)		=
Access to document (hyperlink IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE)		-
Access to document (document name providing information on the policy)		
Responsible for the design of the policy		Land Department, Office of the Prime minister
Responsible for the implementation of the policy		Land Department, Office of the Prime minister
Responsible person / policy maker at the ministerial level		-
Policy instrument type		Legislation
Stand-alone policy (or to which policy it is subordinate or ancillary)		yes
Value chain relevance (1=relevant; 0=not relevant)	EXPLORATION (including permitting)	0
	EXTRACTION (incl. Permitting)	0
	mineral and metallurgical PROCESSING (incl. Permitting)	0
	MINE CLOSURE / WASTE management (incl. Permitting)	0
	DEEP SEA MINING	0
	DATA and knowledge base	0

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		POLICY 3
		Continental Shelf Act
Title (original language)	-	
Title (translation in english)	Continental Shelf Act	
Year (and identification number if available)	ACT No. XXVIII of 2014	
Short description	The Continental Shelf Act regulates provisions as to the exploration and exploitation of the continental shelf and for matters connected with those purposes. (establishing the ownership of the minerals).	
Access to document (hyperlink IN NATIONAL LANGUAGES)	-	
Access to document (hyperlink IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE)	http://justiceservices.gov.mt/DownloadDocument.aspx?app=lom&itemid=12216&l=1	
Access to document (document name providing information on the policy)		
Responsible for the design of the policy	Continental Shell department, Ministry for Transport and Infrastructure	
Responsible for the implementation of the policy	Continental Shell department, Ministry for Transport and Infrastructure	
Responsible person / policy maker at the ministerial level	-	
Policy instrument type	Legislation	
Stand-alone policy (or to which policy it is subordinate or ancillary)	yes	
Value chain relevance (1=relevant; 0=not relevant)	EXPLORATION (including permitting)	1
	EXTRACTION (incl. Permitting)	1
	mineral and metallurgical PROCESSING (incl. Permitting)	0
	MINE CLOSURE / WASTE management (incl. Permitting)	0
	DEEP SEA MINING	0
	DATA and knowledge base	0

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		POLICY 4
		CONTINENTAL SHELF REGULATIONS
Title (original language)		-
Title (translation in english)		CONTINENTAL SHELF REGULATIONS
Year (and identification number if available)		S.L.535.02 2015
Short description		The purpose of these regulations is to regulate activities on the continental shelf and to establish and regulate safety zones therein.
Access to document (hyperlink IN NATIONAL LANGUAGES)		-
Access to document (hyperlink IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE)		http://justiceservices.gov.mt/DownloadDocument.aspx?app=lom&itemid=12348&l=1
Access to document (document name providing information on the policy)		
Responsible for the design of the policy		Continental Shelf department, Ministry for Transport and Infrastructure
Responsible for the implementation of the policy		Continental Shelf department, Ministry for Transport and Infrastructure
Responsible person / policy maker at the ministerial level		-
Policy instrument type		Legislation
Stand-alone policy (or to which policy it is subordinate or ancillary)		Continental Shelf Act
Value chain relevance (1=relevant; 0=not relevant)	EXPLORATION (including permitting)	1
	EXTRACTION (incl. Permitting)	1
	mineral and metallurgical PROCESSING (incl. Permitting)	0
	MINE CLOSURE / WASTE management (incl. Permitting)	0
	DEEP SEA MINING	0
	DATA and knowledge base	0

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		POLICY 1	POLICY 2	POLICY 3	POLICY 4	POLICY 5	POLICY 6
		Environment Protection Act	Waste Management Regulation	Cultural Heritage Act	Civil Code	Integrated Pollution Prevention & Control Regulations	Strategie Environmental Assessment (Amendment) Regulations
Title (original language)		-	-	-	-	-	-
Title (translation in english)		Environment Protection Act	Waste Management Regulation	Cultural Heritage Act	Civil Code	Integrated Pollution Prevention & Control Regulations	Strategie Environmental Assessment (Amendment) Regulations
Year (and identification number if available)		Law No. 22 of 2009	2009	2002	2009	-	2008
Short description		-	Waste Management (Management of Waste from Extractive Industries and Backfilling) Regulations as part of Environment Protection Act	Last amended 2002	last amended 2009	-	-
Policy instrument type		Legislation	Legislation	Legislation	Legislation	Legislation	Legislation
Value chain relevance (1=relevant; 0=not relevant)	EXPLORATION (including permitting)	-	-	-	-	-	-
	EXTRACTION (incl. Permitting)	-	-	-	-	-	-
	mineral and metallurgical PROCESSING (incl. Permitting)	-	-	-	-	-	-
	MINE CLOSURE / WASTE management (incl. Permitting)	-	-	-	-	-	-
	DEEP SEA MINING	-	-	-	-	-	-
	DATA and knowledge base	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Horizontal policy integration	
Mechanisms for ministerial coordination	Inter-ministerial consultation process
MECHANISM 1	Inter-ministerial consultation process
1.1 Status	on-going
1.2 Number of ministries involved	all ministries
1.3 Ministries involved	-
1.4 Practical implications of the process	
1.4.1 Purpose and objective of the mechanism	The inter-ministerial consultation process offers the opportunity to other ministries to provide written feedback to policy drafts, and, if necessary, physical meetings for further negotiating major revisions.
1.4.2 Representatives participating	permanent secretary, public administrator topic experts
1.4.3 Regularity of meetings	on-demand
1.4.4 Process description	The ministry responsible for the policy drafting process will be chairing meetings (permanent secretary representing the minister at civil servant rank). In the first step ministries will be required to provide written feedback on a draft policy. In case there are major requests for revisions, the permanent secretary can call a physical meeting with all relevant ministries and their (civil servant) experts on the topic. These meetings can go as far as potentially revising agenda-setting, objective formulation, policy design and decision-making, but it is rarely the case. All feedback (written and physical meeting) is summarised in a discussion paper which will be forwarded to the political decision-making level (ie. cabinet of the ministers).
1.4.5 Effectiveness and Outcomes	The process overall is very efficient because participating ministries adhere to timelines or deadline, and its follow up is given highest priority by other ministry permanent secretaries.

Vertical policy integration	
Mechanisms for governmental organisation coordination	There are no mechanisms for governmental organisations coordination, since there exists no regional level of government authorities.

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Stakeholder Integration	
Mechanisms for stakeholder involvement	Public consultation process; On-demand physical meetings
MECHANISM 1	Public consultation process
3.1 Status	on-going
3.2 Number of stakeholders involved	open to anyone
3.3 Type of stakeholders involved	-
3.4 Detailed description and practical implications	
3.4.1 Purpose and objective of the mechanism	The purpose of the public consultation process is to acquire feedback on content
3.4.2 Representatives participating	-
3.4.3 Regularity of meetings	on-demand
3.4.4 Process description	-
3.4.5 Effectiveness and Outcomes	The policy drafting process is benefiting from the expertise of various stakeholders through written feedback.
MECHANISM 2	On-demand physical meetings
3.1 Status	on-going
3.2 Number of stakeholders involved	variable
3.3 Type of stakeholders involved	traders unions; chamber of commerce; retailers union; Environmental NGOs
3.4 Detailed description and practical implications	
3.4.1 Purpose and objective of the mechanism	The purpose of the physical meetings is to provide additional in-depth feedback during the policy revision process by a selected number of key stakeholders.
3.4.2 Representatives participating	-
3.4.3 Regularity of meetings	on-demand
3.4.4 Process description	In parallel to the public consultation process and beyond legal compliance, the ministry the ministries invites a selected number of stakeholders for a consultation meeting. The ministry shares the information on the draft policy with the stakeholders at the meeting and gets feedback through the discussions at the meeting. In case the policy originates from a party's political programme, there is less room for stakeholder involvement in the policy drafting process.
3.4.5 Effectiveness and Outcomes	Physical meetings support creating commitment and legitimisation by invited stakeholder groups during later implementation of the respective policy.
Policy evaluation	
Mechanisms for policy evaluation	There are no evaluation mechanisms in place as regards minerals policy