JOHN XXIII, PEACE LAB, HAL FAR under the patronage of Her Excellency, Marie-Louise Coleiro Preca, President of Malta.

## NATIONAL AWARD FOR SELF-ACHIEVEMENT: B'HILTI WASALT, 2017.



## **CALL FOR NOMINATIONS**

Evidently the current economic situation is rapidly changing and the number of people and households with an equalised disposable income below the risk-of-poverty threshold is on the decline. However beyond the numbers there is that individual and there is that family who are facing economic challenges arising from new expectations and new circumstances. New types and new forms of poverty will always arise as long as society as a whole neglects the basic values of social solidarity, empathy with the emarginated and fostering empowerment to such people so as to help them help themselves.

For the past two years (2015, 2016), the John XXIII Peace Lab, Hal Far has been organizing a National Award for Self-Achievement, under the patronage of H.E. President of Malta and with the assistance of APS Bank. The aim is to identify and acknowledge outstanding efforts made by individuals who were within the poverty-risk sector, and who through their own initiatives and mainly self-help, managed to 'make it', economically. Moreover, the aim was to celebrate those individuals who not only managed to gain new economic status but did so while empowering other people, and showing evidence of social solidarity with their fellows. Thus, this award was to be a national celebration of the necessary spirit of enterprise and self-help, coupled with solidarity with one's fellows, rather than with an egoistic approach towards advancement in life. The concept of such a national award was well received and the Peace Lab is happy to announce that it will be organizing the third edition of the National Award for Self-Achievement, B'HILTI WASALT, 2017. Again this event will be held under the patronage of H.E. President of Malta, with the assistance of APS Bank.

The Peace Lab is inviting nominations for persons who may merit such an award. Such nominations may be submitted by filling in of the present form as indicated hereunder.

The following conditions apply:

- 1. Nominees should be residents of Malta but may be of any nationality.
- 2. They should NOT be informed that they are being nominated for such award. This would automatically disqualify them from being considered for such an award.

Nominations may either be submitted through email to: **bhiltiwasalt@gmail.com** or mailed to postal address: Award Committee ' B'Hilti Wasalt', Peace Laboratory, Hal Far.

## Deadline for submission: 20<sup>th</sup> August 2017.

All nominations will be treated with strict confidentiality. Nominations will be considered by a Self-Achievement Award Committee which has been set up by the Peace Lab. (Nominations may be submitted by organisations and entities such as Local Councils, Parishes, etc. In such a case, nominations will still need to be submitted and signed by a person on behalf of that organisation or entity)

H.E. the President of Malta will be presiding over the National Award for Self-Achievement; B'Hilti Wasalt Ceremony to be held at the Palace Valletta, in September 2017.

Any request for further information may be addressed to: <a href="mailto:bhiltiwasalt@gmail.com">bhiltiwasalt@gmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:victoraxiak@gmail.com">victoraxiak@gmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:victoraxiak@gmailto

We thank you for your kind collaboration.

## **NOMINATION FORM**

1.	Full name and surname o	f person being nominated:	
2.	Date of Birth of Person be	eing nominated:	
3.	<ul> <li>3. Justification for Nomination. A detailed justification as to why the person is being nominated for this award. Ideally such testimonial should be sufficient to show why such person deserves to be given such an award, and therefore his/her efforts be acknowledged as per aims which have been identified above. In particular, the testimonial would confirm that: <ul> <li>Nominee' was originally within the poverty-risk sector;</li> <li>Through his/her own initiatives and mainly self-help, managed to upgrade his/her status, economically, socially, etc</li> <li>In improving his/her status, he/she was empowering other people, and showing evidence of social solidarity with other people.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
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You may use additional sheets to include further details of justification. Please attach such sheets to the present Nomination Form.  4. Name and Surname of Person submitting nomination. >>>>>>			
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	Telephone Number >> Email address: >>>>		
	Date of submission of Nomination >	Sig	nature (only required if hard copy of nomination is submitted)