

NATIONAL STRATEGY

2025-2035

for Poverty Reduction
and Social Inclusion.



**Terms of Reference for the Steering Committee for the Drafting of the National Strategy for
Poverty Reduction and Social Inclusion: 2025-2035**

Working Paper to the National Strategy for Poverty Reduction and Social Inclusion: 2025-2035

Appendix 01

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Terms of Reference of the Steering Committee (SC)

The Steering Committee is chaired by the Permanent Secretary, Ministry for Social Policy and Children's Rights and is constituted of senior representatives of:

- Ministry for Social Policy and Children's Rights
- National Statistics Office
- Ministry for Health
- Ministry for Education
- Economic Policy Department
- JobsPlus
- Department for Social Security

The following are the Terms of Reference assigned to the Steering Committee

- Understand the experience and issues faced by people of all age groups for whom the Strategy will deliver, including children and pensioners.
- Obtain the views of relevant stakeholder groups on its content and themes, consider poverty-related implications, and ensure these views are appropriately reflected in the Strategy before issuing it for public consultation. A pre-consultation process (through a pre-consultation event) will be undertaken, which will include but is not limited to the following:
 - Government departments, agencies, boards, etc.
 - Non-Governmental Organisations.
- Appoint, as it deems best and if/when necessary, to assist it in its endeavours Working Groups directed to address horizontal or vertical poverty-related themes such as:
 - Child Poverty (and Intergenerational Poverty).
 - Poverty during working age.
 - Poverty in retirement.
 - Mental Health
 - Etc.

*Each working groups might be requested to present a paper with main outcomes.
- Present to Government a Pre-consultation evidence-based **NSPRSI** draft report that is outcomes-based together with an action plan that is appropriately aligned to the Government's programme and takes account of Malta's EU and international obligations.
- Manage the consultation process of the draft **NSPRSI** report and supporting documentation. This includes the holding of a public conference on the proposed draft.
- Assess and analyse the consultation feedback and present a final Post-consultation **NSPRSI** and supporting documentation to the Government.

The Steering Committee will be supported by the Research and Evaluation Directorate within the Ministry for Social Policy and Children's Rights.