

Malta

Just under **450,000 people**

Highly Urban Culture – **93%**

Under the age of 15 – **15.7%**



Supporting Children who experience Trauma – Child Protection is the Responsibility of All

THE FORMATION OF EXTENSIVE
State Services
NETWORKS TO COMBAT CROSS-
NGO and church led services
SECTORIAL FRAGMENTATION
Private Sector
AND REACH A CONSOLIDATED
GROUP ACTION IN SUPPORT OF
MINORS



Our focus is on State Services

- Three levels of functioning
 - Preventative (Primary/Secondary)
 - Investigative and Forensic
 - Therapeutic

The Foundation attempts to support victims by **educating** society to prevent traumatic experience where possible; it **investigates** child abuse where it is commissioned and; **offers therapy** to primary and secondary victims of trauma.



Limitations

Qualifications in Malta do not offer a specialisation in child psychology

- Homegrown qualifications include Masters degrees in Gestalt Psychotherapy, Systemic Family Therapy, Clinical Psychology, Counselling Psychology, Forensic Psychology, Educational Psychology and Neuropsychology
- There is a growing community of play therapists and we are seeing the presentation of isolated drama and art therapists
- Some therapists/psychologist trained abroad in various areas of psychology (experience difficulties in the process of warranting).

