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MCAST offers online learning opportunities in response to COVID-19 challenge

Following Government's announcement on the closure of all educational institutions (L.N. 41 of 2020), MCAST will be offering online learning opportunities to students across all its institutes. This is part of the initiatives taken by the College in response to the COVID-19 situation and to ensure less disruption to student learning.

Over the past week, MCAST's team of administrators and lecturers have been working to respond pro-actively to the challenges posed by COVID-19 to the education community. Students are being encouraged to keep focusing on their studies by accessing online resources and courses prepared by lecturers. Guidelines were sent to all MCAST students and staff to facilitate the use of online platforms. The Malta Union of Teachers has endorsed this plan of action on the voluntary use of online learning by lecturers.

In recent years, MCAST has invested in its innovative learning management system. This system enables students to attend classes from the comfort and safety of their home, while at the same time being able to see their lecturers and classmates, receive information, see presentations and submit assignments. Since 2016, e-modules in the areas of ICT, Creative Arts, Mechanical Engineering, Electrical and Electronics Engineering and Community Services, were already being offered free of charge to the general public through MCAST's online platform.

In a letter to the MCAST community Principal James Joachim Calleja announced "We are confident that our lecturing staff and students will welcome this measure as an opportunity to keep sharing knowledge and information. We all miss the vibrant campus life and in-person lectures. Yet, technology allows us to stay in touch. Our connected MCAST community matters in challenging times like this."

MCAST is communicating with its students and staff through different channels and is sending regular updates through its website and social media. The College is also emphasizing the importance of reaching out to Student Support Services to ensure student wellbeing.

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