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## Louis Grech named best Maltese MEP

Louis Grech has been voted as the best Maltese Member of the European Parliament (MEP) for the year 2006 by the European League of Geneva, an international think-tank based in Geneva. This was announced recently in the European weekly publication New Europe.

The European League's board of trustees comprises retired diplomats and lawyers experienced in international affairs and former officials who have worked in international government organisations such as the United Nations.

Nicolas Kaloy, a former Greek international diplomat and European League chairman, said that when deciding who were the best MEPs it took into consideration their overall work activity, the contribution that they made to their respective country, as well as their dedication to the EU's ideals to establish peace, democracy and co-operation in Europe.

The European League of Geneva, also known as Euroleague, is a private non-profit organisation set up in 2004 to promote greater political and economic development within the European Union and to further advance the ideals of the EU.

Louis Grech has been an MEP (representing the Malta Labour Party) since 2004, and currently serves on the European Parliament committees on Budgets and Regional Development respectively. He is also vice-president of the European Parliament delegation for relations with the Korean peninsula and member of the EP delegation to the Euro-Mediterranean Parliamentary Assembly.

Among the list of the 25 best MEPs per country one finds Spain's Josep Borrell, the Socialist president of the European Parliament between 2004 and 2006, Poul Rasmussen, former Socialist prime minister of Denmark, Germany's Elmar Brok, a Christian Democrat and chairman of the EP Foreign Affairs Committee, Latvia's Tatjana Zdanoka of the Green Party, Sweden's Lena Ek, a Liberal, and Portugal's Joao De Deus Pinheiro, a Christian Democrat.

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