

# Malta participates in Kaleidoscope - The Key Cultural Project of the Irish Presidency of the EU

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As part of the cultural programme of Ireland's Presidency of the European Union, an exhibition of contemporary art was launched on the 30<sup>th</sup> April 2013 by the Minister for Arts, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, Mr Jimmy Deenihan TD, and Minister of State at the Department of Public Expenditure and Reform, with responsibility for the Office of Public Works, which curated the exhibition.

Kaleidoscope, the title of the exhibition, comprises a selection of contemporary art works from the twenty-seven Member States of the European Union. This exhibition has been organised by the Office of Public Works in collaboration with the Embassies and various cultural organisations throughout Europe. The motto of the European Union 'united in diversity' is the only conceptual premise that informed the theme of the exhibition. Each Member State was invited to select one artist or one work for inclusion in the exhibition, and every EU Member State is represented. All the works in this exhibition reflect the current art practice of contemporary artists of many European nationalities, across a variety of media – video, drawing, sculpture, print and painting. The unique vision of each artist reflects the diversity of new work being created throughout Europe.

In Kaleidoscope, Malta is represented by *Little White Lies 05*, a work by Teresa Sciberras, on loan from the National Art Collection of Malta. *Little White Lies 05* is a very small wooden panel combining traditional painting methods with unreal details.

The exhibition runs until the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2013 at Farmleigh Gallery, which is adjacent to the residence of the Taoiseach in Phoenix Park, Dublin, and further information may be found on:<http://www.farmleigh.ie/Events/Title,23957,en.html>.

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