



Fertility Europe supports proposed changes to MAR law in Malta

Fertility Europe expresses its full support to the changes proposed to Malta MAR law. The changes are a big and important step towards bringing MAR law in Malta closer to the regulations in other European countries and in accordance with the guidelines from the European Society for Human Reproduction and Embryology.

“As defined by WHO, infertility is a complex pathology that requires appropriate investigation and treatment. One of the most effective treatments is IVF and its related technologies; these techniques cannot be replaced by other procedures and have resulted in the birth of more than 6 million babies throughout the world. Denying the efficacy and accessibility of these treatments to infertile couples is not only unethical, but is also contrary to the principles of evidence-based medicine and good medical practice. All treatments known to be safe and effective should be available to all infertile patients, who should be given the opportunity to make informed reproductive choices on the basis of sound scientific evidence.”

In Fertility Europe's opinion, the proposed amendments would improve access to effective treatment for infertility patients in Malta and make it more successful and safe. Infertility patients of Malta deserve to have their family rights honoured as defined and described by the WHO and European Union. Among the proposed changes there is permission to fertilise more than 2 oocytes and removing the ban on embryo freezing. The procedure is medically proven to increase the success rate of treatment by protecting women's health and the embryos.

We would like to show full support to our colleagues from the Malta Infertility Network in their struggle to make safe, efficient and fair treatment available in their country.

Fertility Europe strongly believes, that the infertility treatment should be regulated only by Evidence Based Medicine and determined by patients' safety, not politics, ideology or religion.

Fertility Europe Executive Committee

office@fertilityeurope.eu