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## **HSBC Malta supports Trauma Therapy Service for road accident victims**

HSBC Malta has announced its support for the Traffic Accident Therapy Service (TATS), a pioneering initiative led by Victim Support Malta (VSM) to provide dedicated psychological and emotional support for road accident survivors and bereaving families.

Launched in 2024, TATS offers trauma therapy, crisis intervention, psychoeducation, and long-term mental health support to individuals affected by serious road accidents. The service addresses the often-overlooked psychological impact of such events, including grief, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), chronic pain, and the emotional toll of prolonged legal or medical processes.

Victim Support Malta, is a national NGO established in 2006 and has long provided holistic services to victims of crime and trauma across Malta and Gozo. The introduction of TATS reflects VSM's continued commitment to responding to emerging needs in the community.

The financial support provided by HSBC Malta will help strengthen the reach and resilience of TATS at a time when demand for trauma-informed care is growing.

"HSBC understands that trauma from road accidents extends far beyond physical injury," said Glenn Bugeja on behalf of HSBC Malta. "Families and individuals face long-term emotional, psychological, and social challenges, and services like TATS play a crucial role in restoring stability and hope. By supporting Victim Support Malta, HSBC Malta aims to strengthen a service that directly improves lives and contributes to a safer, more resilient community."

Julianne Grima, Executive Chairperson of Victim Support Malta, welcomed the bank's backing: "Road accidents are not only physical events, but they also carry profound emotional and psychological consequences. Survivors often face complex trauma, chronic pain, and difficult justice processes, while families experiencing loss must navigate grief and systemic challenges. HSBC Malta's support enables VSM to continue offering specialized, dignified, and long-term care to anyone affected by road trauma."

This sponsorship highlights HSBC Malta's ongoing commitment to community wellbeing and ensures that individuals affected by road trauma have access to professional and compassionate support when they need it most.



**Photocaption: Daniel Grech Avellino, HSBC Malta Employee together with Ms Julianne Grima Executive Chairperson for Victim Support Malta together with Lemonie Bonnici another HSBC Malta Employee.**

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