Biography – Ms Lorraine Vella

Lorraine Vella is a Deputy Head within the Securities and Markets Supervision function of the Malta Financial Services Authority and leads the Capital Markets Team within the function. In her role, she is responsible for the regulation and oversight of activities in the Maltese Capital Markets, including the processing of applications for admissibility to listing on Regulated Markets, supervision of the continuing obligations of Listed Companies on Regulated Markets in Malta and supervision of securitisation activities. Ms Vella assists and gives advice to the MFSA Executive Committee, in its role as Listing Committee and the MFSA Board of Governors, in its role as Listing Authority on listing matters. Ms Vella also oversees the team’s supervisory work in relation to compliance with various EU Regulations including the European Market Infrastructure Regulation, Securities Financing Transactions Regulation, Market Abuse Regulation, Short Selling Regulation, Benchmarks Regulation, parts of MiFID II, and the CSD Regulation.

Lorraine Vella, an accountant by profession, joined the MFSA in 2000 and has worked in a number of areas within the MFSA where she gained professional experience in various regulation, supervision and enforcement in the financial markets sphere. During her career, she was also directly involved in the transposition and implementation of various EU legislation including the Prospectus Directive, Transparency Directive, Shareholders Rights Directive and Takeover Bids Directive.

Ms Vella is an alternate member of the Board of Supervisors of the European Securities and Markets Authority.

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