



Past Chairman of the Malta Statistics Authority

Mr Reno Camilleri
2001 - 2013

Mr Reno Camilleri joined the Malta Civil Service in January 1957 as an Executive Officer and was assigned duties in the Audit Office.

In 1972, he was transferred to the Economic Planning Division of the Prime Minister's Office where he worked on capital projects and development plans. In 1974, he became Malta's representative on the European Population Committee of the Council of Europe and spent thirty-four years in this role. He was President of this Committee in 1987-1990. He was also a member of several groups set up to draw reports on the demography, poverty status and social exclusion in EU Member States.

In January 1984, he became Principal Government Statistician. The many achievements attached to this role include: organisation and carrying out of the 1985 edition of the Census of Population and Housing; introduction of a system for the compilation of migration statistics in respect of Malta; organisation and carrying out of household expenditure surveys; and introduction of systems for the recording of foreigners with residence permits and work permits.

In 1988, he became head of the Ministry for Economic Affairs. With the collaboration of the Social Partners, he set up the Retail Price Index Management Board and became its Chairman soon after. He retained this position until he left Government employment in July 2013.

As Permanent Secretary in the Ministry for Economic Affairs, Mr Reno Camilleri set up the Economic Policy Committee consisting of representatives of the Social Partners to monitor economic performance and to draw up a development plan for Malta. Later on, this Committee became the Malta Council for Economic Development.

Mr Reno Camilleri holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics from the University of London and a Diploma in Public Administration from the University of Malta. His preferred area of study is Demography and he has written extensively on the subject. For ten years, he was a Eurostat expert on migration statistics and was sent on several missions to the Magreb countries and to Eastern Mediterranean countries in order to compile reports on their

census methodologies, with particular reference to the Census migration modules.

Upon reaching the official retirement age, he was appointed as statistical consultant in the Ministry for Economic Affairs and worked on a new law to set up the Malta Statistics Authority (MSA) that was eventually set up in March 2001. He was appointed Chairman of the MSA and retained this position until he retired in 2013.

For many years, Mr Reno Camilleri was part-time lecturer at the University of Malta.

Mr Reno Camilleri is married to Carmen nee Camilleri and has three children.