



**Mr Josef Vella**

**Member of the Malta Statistics Authority**

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Josef Vella is the Chief Executive Officer of UHM Voice of the Workers, elected in the last general conference of 2011.

Josef Vella was born in Pietá on 12th July 1973. He received his formal education at Għargħur Primary School, St. Francis

School Cospicua and the Archbishop's Seminary. He graduated from the University of Malta in Psychology.

Mr. Vella followed further post graduate training in the social field at the University of Malta and training with the Chartered Institute of Marketing. Mr. Vella's professional contribution in the social field was through the Social Welfare Development Programme as Coordinator of the Community Development Unit in Cospicua and later on Service Area Leader of Supportline 179 National Helpline for Crisis Intervention and the Initial Response Service within Agenzija Appogg.

Josef Vella held the position of Training Executive for the Foundation for Social Welfare Services before entering UHM on a full time basis as Secretary of the Public Entities Section. Josef Vella lead the UHM team to promote JOBS+, a policy taken eventually on board by all social partners and political parties and today it is the national labour market policy. Josef Vella is married to Marisa Vella Demanuele neé Demanuele and have two children Gianluca and Michele.