



RICS - The Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors

Welcome to the world of Chartered Surveying

Presenter's name: Emidio Attard MSc (Edin) FRICS

Title: Chairman RICS, Malta

Subject: The Chartered Surveyor in Malta

Prehistoric Construction

- The Maltese have been stone builders since pre-historic times.
- The ancient temples which have stood the ravage of time are a witness to this Mediterranean people.
- For many years, the Maltese built simple and straightforward buildings and they relied on the craft of the stone mason.

Prehistoric Construction



Early Construction

- The architect drew up the plans and the construction workers put up the building using traditional materials – stone and timber beams for roofs
- Later, concrete was used for roofs with larger spans.
- Standards of finishes improved.

Buildings, Housing and Demands

- The demand for housing increased considerably after the war and construction workers became more sought after.
- The population has increased, more people are seeking property investment, thus more houses are being built.
- The more complex type of buildings, roads and bridges, were designed by foreign professionals and constructed by local builders.
- These professionals would be working with local architectural and engineering firms.

Building Development



Simple & Straight Forward



Complex

The Trend

- In the last 35 years, development gathered momentum, and the modernisation of buildings is put into practice.
- The limited size of the island compelled designers and contractors to build higher with economical use of space.
- New developments require more specialised professional service for the proper execution and completion of developments within the intended standards, dates and financial targets.
- The chartered surveyor is recognised for his qualification and skill to manage the land, property, valuation, construction and environmental services.

About RICS

- **Founded 1868, London**
- A self regulated profession
- Globally known and respected
- **Founded 1993, Brussels**
- 18 RICS National Associations
- 6000 Members
- 36 Highly Reputable University Courses

RICS Faculties

- Arts and Antiques
- Building Surveying
- Commercial Property
- **Dispute resolution**
- **Environment**
- **Facilities management**
- **Geomatics**
- Machinery and business assets
- Management consultancy
- Minerals and waste management
- Planning and development
- **Project management**
- **Quantity surveying and Construction**
- Residential property
- Rural
- **Valuation**

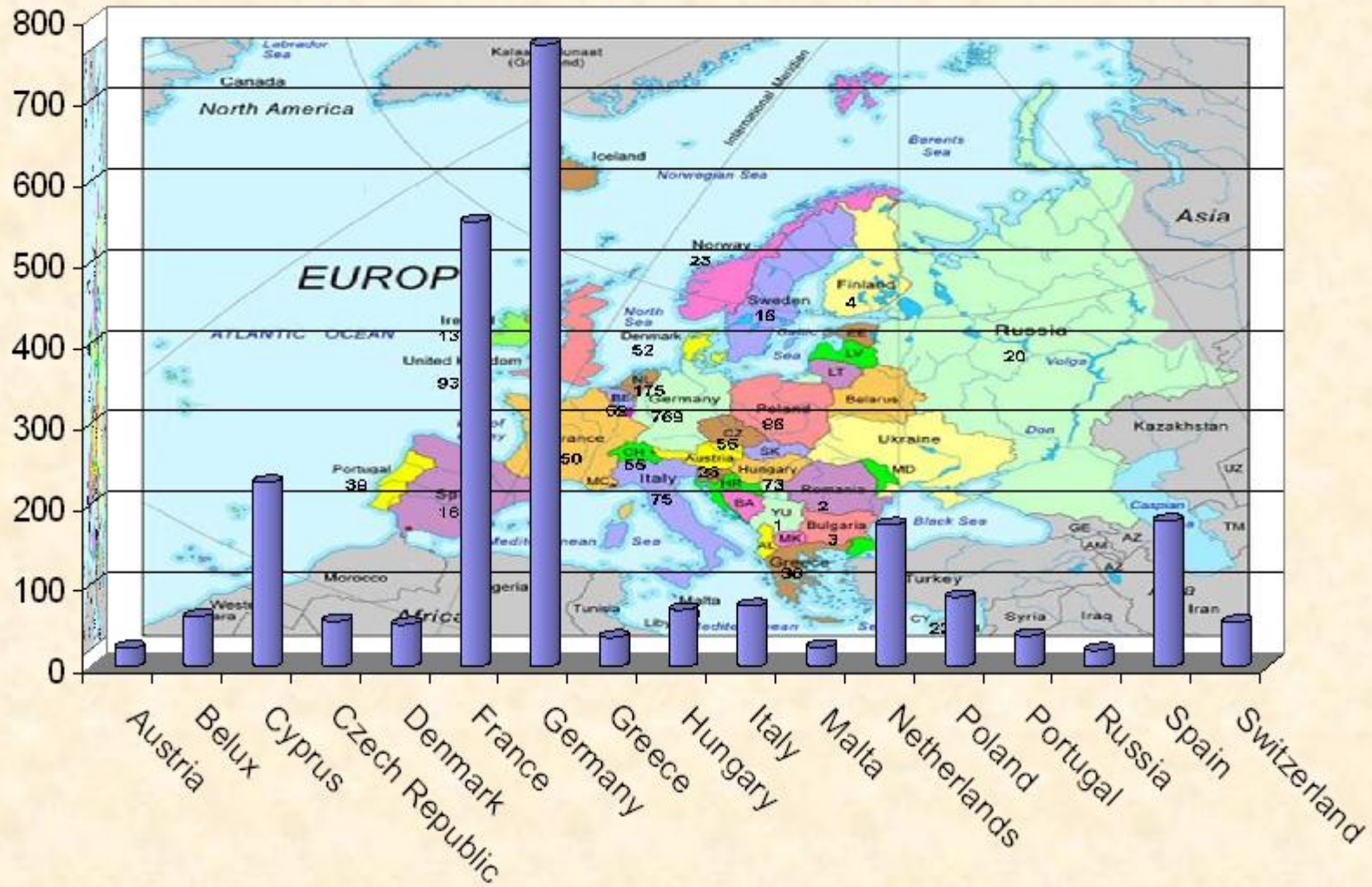
The Chartered Surveyor

- The Chartered Quantity Surveyor is the professional to prepare the contract documents based on Standard Method of Measurement and various forms of contract.
- His responsibility in the preparation of Standard Contracts minimises the risk of poorly prepared documents leading to dispute resolution or arbitration.
- His expertise in cost control and monitoring expenses keeps the project within the pre-estimate or tender cost.
- The surveyor is the best person to advise the developer and the design team on the right type of contract to use on the particular project.

RICS in Europe



RICS Europe - Memberships



Launching RICS Malta

Established on the 11th September 2001

Hon. Francis Zammit Dimech – Minister of the Environment

RICS Chief Executive delivered opening speech

Director of European Federation of Surveyors – Main Speaker

Memberships - 16 in 2001; Today – 25

Education for the Chartered Surveyor in Malta

- The qualified Chartered Surveyors in Malta have either studied in the UK or followed a 6 to 7 years correspondence course followed by a further year of professional practice.
- This route is not only expensive but entails very hard work.
- Only a few dedicated students follow such a route.

Education for the Chartered Surveyor in Malta

- In Malta there are no University degree courses leading to any branch in surveying.
- The only part time course available is that at MCAST, leading to a Diploma in Quantity Surveying.
- This 3 year course is under review for accreditation by the RICS Education Committee.
- The Diploma allows entry at Technical level also known as TechRICS but not to full Chartered Membership.
- RICS Malta subsidised learning at the college by contributing towards the purchase of a computerised Master Build System and various study books.

RICS Malta - Objectives

- The main objective of RICS Malta is to enhance the status of the Chartered Surveyor and to establish a reputation of competence and integrity both for the government and the general public.
1. To Establish a graduate course of study to full Corporate Membership of the institution. Such a course will be beneficial to the construction industry on all matters related to surveying practice.
 2. To establish the recognition of the Chartered Surveyor and the Surveying Profession.
- For several years, members of the profession have been undermined by treats from competitors who are not qualified.

Professionalism

- Professionalism is very important for the Maltese construction industry.
- Specialisation will promote the best grouping of professionals working together to achieve the best results for the developer and the general public.
- The recognition of the Chartered Surveyor will encourage practitioners with limited training to aim towards achieving a respected qualification.
- Recognition of the Chartered Surveyor in Malta would be in line with the European Directive to 2005/36/EC which aspires to the freedom of movement across European states.

RICS Malta Office

RICS Malta
The professional Centre
Sliema Road,
Gzira GZR06

Secretary: Michelle Camilleri
Telephone: +356 2131 2888

Email: ricsmalta@mail.global.net.mt



Thank you for your time