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NEW PRESIDENT APPOINTED TO THE ST JOHN'S CO-CATHEDRAL FOUNDATION

The St John's Co-Cathedral Foundation has the pleasure to announce the appointment of Mgr. Prof. Emmanuel Agius as its new President.

Mgr. Prof. Agius is the former Dean of the Faculty of Theology at the University of Malta. He studied philosophy and theology at undergraduate (S.Th.B.) and postgraduate (S.Th.L.) levels at the University of Malta and then at the Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium, where he obtained an M.A. in Philosophy and a Doctorate in Sacred Theology (S.Th.D). He is professor of Moral Theology and Philosophical Ethics at the University of Malta.

Mgr. Prof. Agius pursued his post-doctoral research in the field of bioethics at the University of Tübingen, Germany, as a fellow of the *Alexander-von-Humboldt Stiftung*; at Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., as a Fulbright scholar; and at the University of Notre Dame, Indiana, U.S.A., with the assistance of a Theodore Hesburgh scholarship.

He is the former Head of the Department of Moral Theology at the Faculty of Theology at the University of Malta; since 2005 a member of the European Group of Ethics in Science and New Technologies (EGE), which is an advisory interdisciplinary group to the European Commission; and a member of the Pontifical Academy for Life.

Mgr. Prof. Agius is the author and co-editor of a number of publications. Several of his articles on bioethical, social, and environmental issues, marriage and sexuality have appeared in a number of international peer-reviewed academic journals.

His Grace the Archbishop, Mgr. Charles J. Scicluna, appointed Mgr. Prof. Agius member of the Metropolitan Cathedral Chapter on 25th January 2018 and member of The St John's Co-Cathedral Foundation on 1st August 2019.

The members of St John's Co-Cathedral Foundation are responsible for the administration of St John's Co-Cathedral, an international treasure and a UNESCO World Heritage site. The Foundation administers the church and museum in order to ensure its effective conservation and management as a historic and architectural monument, as well as a sacred place of worship.

This new appointment is effective on 31st July 2020.