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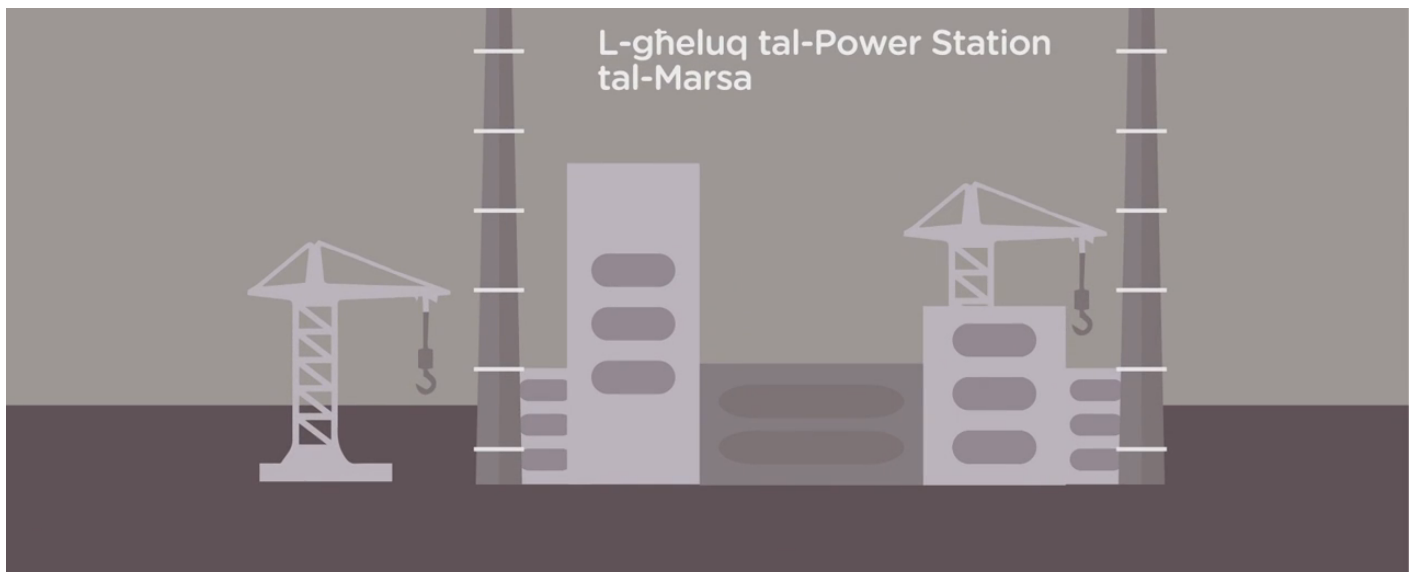


An advertisement for Banif Bank. At the top left, it says 'CREDIT CARDS' and 'BANIF BANK The power of following'. In the center is a large cruise ship sailing on the ocean at sunset. At the top right, a circular badge says 'WIN A 7 DAY CRUISE\*'. At the bottom, four different Visa credit cards are displayed. A small note at the bottom left says '\*Terms and conditions apply.'

Malta's National Car Free Day is being held today, a Sunday, when traffic on the roads is much less than it is on working days. It is an opportunity for citizens to try alternative means of transport including public transport, the harbour ferry services, cycling and walking. Valletta Ferry Services are offering a fare reduction for the day. The car free day forms part of European Mobility Week, held between 16 and 22 September.

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The theme for this year's edition is "Smart Mobility. Strong Economy". The theme reflects the close ties between transport and economics. Smart planning and transport will save money and support economic growth.

Various events will be held during this day, including a Triathlon Competition, an exhibition of projects prepared by the students of *SkolaSajf*, road races and activities for children. More details are available on [www.electromobility.gov.mt](http://www.electromobility.gov.mt)

Traffic management: St Anne Street Floriana will be closed to traffic between 8am and 5pm. Traffic to Floriana and Valletta will be diverted to Sarria Street. Outward traffic from Valletta will be diverted to Capuchins Street and/or Crucifix Hill. Parking in Capuchins Street c/w Crucifix Hill and c/w E.S. Tonna Square will not be allowed.

#### **Third National Bicycle Ride on 21 September**

The third edition of the National Bicycle Ride will be held on 21<sup>st</sup> September, Independence Day. Registration for this activity is free of charge and will open on the same day at 8am in the parking area in front of the Ministry for Transport and Infrastructure. The ride starts from there at 8.30am and will finish at about 11:30am in the same place. Riders will be accompanied by a number of electric vehicles provided by Transport Malta. Participants will be given a free T-shirt. Four of the participants will have the opportunity to acquire a financial grant to purchase an electric bicycle

#### **World Car Free Day on 22 September**

Valletta Local Council and Transport Malta promote the concept of car pooling. On the day, only vehicles with a minimum of two passengers and the driver will be allowed to enter the CVA area. This does not apply for residents holding Valletta accessibility label, public transport, taxis and emergency services. The current arrangement for Delivery Service vehicles will remain.

On the day, access to inner Valletta will be restricted between 9am and 5pm. More details are also available at the Valletta Local Council.

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