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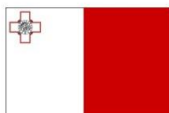
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Questions/Clarifications

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Question 1 – Tenor of Eligible loans (page12/13)

In the case when the cost of the course, due to its nature of studies, is substantially high when compared to the term of the course, will the Financial Intermediary be able to extend the loan repayment period beyond the two times the course period?

Answer to Question 1

Under normal circumstances loan repayments (excluding the moratorium period) will be a minimum two times the course period, subject to a maximum of (10) ten years repayment period. On a case by case basis, if the cost of the course is relatively high when compared to the term of the course, a longer repayment period than the two times the course period will be allowed. Such cases will require prior consultation with MDB.

Maximum total loan period covering the moratorium period plus the loan and interest repayment period, shall not exceed fifteen (15) years from first loan disbursement by the Financial Institution to the Eligible Student.

Question 2 – Appendix 1A List of Documents to be Submitted section b) Information on the Applicant's present activities (Page 23).

What information is MDB expecting for the term Student lending onboard? (Item i. b.)

Answer to Question 2

This relates to information on the existing Students' portfolio held by the Financial Institution and what type of facilities it is offering to students.