#### **MALTALINK 2025**

TOASTMASTERS DISTRICT 109 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

May 7-23, 2025 • Online & Live Streaming

#### **ONLINE WORKSHOPS**

DATE	TIME	SESSION	SPEAKER
May 7	7:00 PM	Refine Your Keynote Speech	Dave Armstrong
May 15	6:00 PM	Commands Reflex	Robert Killen
May 20	6:30 PM	Address by Past President	Pat Johnson
May 21	8:00 PM	Power Partnerships	Francesca Gamicchia
May 21	9:00 PM	Shower of Feedback	Eloquentis Club
May 22	7:00 PM	Emotional Intelligence	David Corcoran
May 23	7:00 PM	ChatGPT Prompts	Paola Perina

- All Zoom sessions require registration and are included in our online ticket.
- Links and passwords will be emailed to registered participants.
- All times are in Central European Summer Time (CEST).

#### **LIVESTREAM EVENTS**

# CONFERENCE DAY - MAY 17, 2025

TIME	EVENT	SPEAKER
09:15 – 10:00	Discipline, Drive, Determination	Sensei Dave Armstrong
10:00 – 11:15	Table Topics Contest	-
11:30 – 13:00	Evaluations Contest	-
14:15 – 15:00	Embracing Creativity in the Age of Al	Prof. Margaret Mangion
15:00 – 16:30	International Speech Contest	-
16:45 – 17:30	The Change Catalyst	Penny Wilkie

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#### **FEATURED SPEAKERS**

#### **Sensei Dave Armstrong**

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Discipline, Drive, Determination: How to hack your brain

■ May 17th, 9:15 – 10:00 am P Live Streaming

Raised in foster care and juvenile detention, Sensei Dave's story is one of grit, resilience, and the power of a single mentor to change a life. In this moving and energizing keynote, he shares his journey from surviving adversity to inspiring thousands across the

#### Why attend:

world.

- ✓ Be inspired by a true story of transformation
- Discover how you can become a catalyst for
- ✓ Leave with renewed purpose and confidence

About Sensei Dave: U.S. Air Force veteran, bestselling author, and founder of the Unlimited Potential Network Academy, Sensei Dave has mentored thousands of at-risk youth and inspired audiences across the U.S. and Europe.

# **Prof. Margaret Mangion**

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Embracing Creativity in the Age of Al ■ May 17th, 2:15 – 3:00 pm P Live Streaming

In an era of rapid technological advancement, creativity emerges as a pivotal skill for the 21st century. This keynote explores the essential role of creativity in navigating our modern world, particularly as AI reshapes industries and redefines human roles. Discover how possibility thinking can bridge the gap between AI capabilities and human ingenuity.

#### Why attend:

- ✓ Learn how to harness your uniquely human creative abilities
- Discover practical approaches to possibility thinking and creative problem solving
- Develop strategies to anticipate and manage technological change

**About Prof. Margaret Mangion:** Director and Senior Lecturer at The Edward de Bono Institute for Creative Thinking and Innovation at the University of Malta, Prof. Mangion holds a Doctorate in Social Sciences, an MBA, and degrees in Education and Psychology. She represents Malta as an ambassador

for World Creativity and Innovation Week/Day

## **Robert Killen**

Command Reflex: How Our Subconscious

Constrains Our Thinking 

Are you truly in control of your thoughts? In this provocative and insightful workshop, Robert challenges you to uncover the subconscious patterns and mental biases that shape your daily decisions and your future.

## Why attend:

- ✓ Learn how to break free from limiting beliefs
- Discover tools to reshape your mindset
- ✓ Take command of your thought patterns and goals

**About Robert Killen:** Robert is a creative force with a background in the arts, banking, nonprofit leadership, and entrepreneurial mentoring. As a finalist in the 2007 World Championship of Public Speaking, he uses language to provoke thought and inspire growth.

## Francesca Gamicchia

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Power Partnerships: Crafting Sponsorship for Sustainable Growth

Fundraising isn't just about asking for money—it's about inspiring people to support a meaningful cause. In this highly practical session, Francesca will share tools and strategies to help you create valuedriven proposals, engage supporters, and build longterm donor relationships.

## Why attend:

- ✓ Learn the core principles of successful fundraising
- Explore real-world strategies including sponsorships, crowdfunding, and storytelling
- ✓ Practice creating your own fundraising plan with live feedback

About Francesca Gamicchia: Francesca is a TransformAction Coach and founder of Talento Umano. She helps individuals and organizations unlock potential through practical training and mindset shifts. A TEDx speaker, curator, and Distinguished Toastmaster, she brings a missiondriven approach to fundraising and communication.

# **David Corcoran**

**Empowering Your Communication with** Emotional Intelligence

■ May 22nd, 7:00 pm P Zoom

Want to communicate with greater impact? Emotional Intelligence (EQ) is your secret advantage. This interactive session will show how EQ boosts selfawareness, connection, and confidence—skills that matter in both personal and professional life.

## Why attend:

- ✓ Discover key EQ competencies that enhance your communication
- Learn to manage emotions and connect with others more effectively
- ✓ Gain practical tools you can apply right away in school, work, and life

**About David:** David is a certified EQ Facilitator with 6 Seconds, training multinational clients in emotional intelligence. A former opera singer with Opera Australia, he blends voice coaching, EQ, and public speaking into powerful communication training.

## **Paola Perina**

Supercharge Your ChatGPT Prompts: An Easy Guide to Writing Prompts That Actually Work

Al isn't just for tech experts. Learn how to get better, faster results from ChatGPT and other tools using the TCREI method—a simple 5-step prompt framework Paola teaches with clarity and real-world examples.

## Why attend:

Learn a practical method to write effective AI

✓ Gain skills that will make your academic and

professional life easier

- Save time on research, writing, and brainstorming
- **About Paola Perina:** With 30 years of experience in business and public relations, Paola has embraced Al

tools to streamline communication and productivity. She's a Toastmasters PR leader and an early adopter of ChatGPT and prompt engineering.