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## Muscat 'more trusted' than Prime Minister

For the first time ever, a Labour leader overtakes his Nationalist counterpart on the issue of trust in a MaltaToday survey

**JAMES DEBONO**

FOR the first time since MaltaToday started its surveys, an MLP leader enjoys a greater trust rating than Nationalist Party leader and Prime Minister Lawrence Gonzi.

Unlike Alfred Sant, who always enjoyed a lower trust rating than Gonzi, new MLP leader Joseph Muscat enjoys a 13%

lead over his rival, after being at the helm of his party for just 100 days.

Muscat also manages to make inroads among Nationalist voters with 11% of respondents who voted PN in March preferring Muscat to Gonzi when asked which of the two leaders they trust most. This is the major finding of a MaltaToday held between last Monday and Wednesday on Joseph Muscat's first 100 days as MLP leader.

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### TRUST BAROMETER: WHO DO YOU TRUST THE MOST?

	%
Joseph Muscat .....	43.7
Lawrence Gonzi .....	30.8
None .....	8.5
Don't know .....	17



## The wonder drug that saved my life but drained our pockets



**KARL SCHEMBRI**

ON the day Vivien Mifsud got to know that she needed Herceptin in April 2006, a British woman similarly suffering from breast cancer had just won the landmark court case that put this highly expensive drug on the UK's National Health Service.

"I burst out crying," Mifsud says today when she recounts the story of her ordeal, not only fighting for her life but also spending all the family's money set aside for a decent pension and for her son.

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## AFM failed to recover corpses sighted at sea



The eight survivors, who were saved by the MV Madonna di Pompei

**MATTHEW VELLA**

THE Armed Forces of Malta have failed to recover five corpses lost at sea that were sighted by a German border police helicopter last Wednesday, 55 miles away from the islands, MaltaToday has confirmed.

The army says its P-52 patrol boat was oc-

cupied with a search and rescue mission the next day on Thursday for some 70 migrants, whose boat capsized the previous day, leaving just eight survivors.

But another patrol boat, the P-51, was only despatched on Friday to follow-up on the sightings of the five corpses by the German helicopter, currently in Malta as part of the Frontex mission Nautilus 3.

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