



Alex Tranter, chairman of Enemalta, had to step down over his private interests in solar power technology

Enemalta chief denies resignation linked to €25m solar project

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ENEMALTA chairman Alex Tranter had to step down from his position shortly after a multinational with whom he is linked filed an expression of interest to install solar panels on government buildings, so that it could

sell the solar energy to Enemalta.

Tranter has denied his resignation is linked to the sale of SunRay Malta Holdings, of which he is a director, to the American solar power multinational SunPower, which is now angling for the government solar energy project together with the Vassallo Builders Group.

On 11 February SunRay was acquired by

SunPower for €200 million, just weeks after SunPower and Vassallo Builders – a company owned by Tranter's business partner Nazzareno Vassallo – filed an EOI to supply 75,000m² of solar panels on government buildings. 14 other consortia have expressed interest in the project.

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