

# Order of Malta (1966 - )

The Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of St. John of Jerusalem of Rhodes and of Malta, better known as the Sovereign Order of Malta, has a two-fold nature. It is one of the most ancient Catholic Religious Orders, founded in Jerusalem in around 1048. At the same time it has always been recognized by nations as an independent subject of international law. It retains its claims of sovereignty under international law and has been granted permanent observer status at the United Nations. SMOM is considered to be the main successor to the medieval Knights Hospitaller.

## SOVRANO MILITARE ORDINE DI MALTA POSTE MAGISTRALI



1966-Order of Malta  
Unificato n° 1 to 9

SOS-2006-Order of Malta  
Unificato n° BF82  
40° Poste Magistrali

40° ANNIVERSARIO POSTE MAGISTRALI

I.P.Z.S. Sp.A. - ROMA - 2006

N. 10175