

Faraxa Publishing is honoured to represent two winning authors of the 2015 London Book Festival. The winners were announced in the beginning of this year, and Faraxa Publishing offers its congratulations to author, Freya Barrington, for her book, *Known to Social Services*, the winner of the Biography/ Autobiography/ Memoir category. Furthermore adding to our delight, within the latter category, Ms Barrington's other work, *Gozo: Is the Grass Greener?* Received an honourable mention as well.

Ms Barrington had come to Malta last year and talked about her book at the Malta Social Workers Association as well as the OASI Foundation. She discussed her experiences as a social worker and how social workers should take pride in what they do. Freya's inspiration for the title of her book, *Known to Social Services*, came from headlines in the U.K. newspapers and media. Freya saw this as a very negative portrayal of social workers in general and so took steps to address the issue in her book. The book's motive is to raise the profile for social workers, convey the difficulties they face and shed light on the good work they do.

After the release of the winning book, Ms. Barrington published a new work called *Gozo: Is the Grass Greener*. The lively, humorous and touching tale recounts Ms Barrington and her husband's experience of Gozo, an island in the Maltese archipelago in the Mediterranean. The book takes the reader on a unique life journey, a life full of rich experiences which made them fall in love with the Island of Gozo.

Our second winning author, Charles Coyne, received an honourable mention in the Science Fiction category of the 2015 London Book Festival, for his book *Strange Tales*. The novel is one which will have the reader at the edge of their seats filled with suspense and very eager to get to the end of every tale. The book consists of 29 short thrilling horror stories which are as nail-biting as they are terrifying. It is a wonderful read for those who dare to experience the thrill of the tales for themselves.