

Deputy Chief Minister

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A Nation in Evolution

The Deputy Chief Minister, Dr Joseph Garcia, and Minister for Culture, the Hon Steven Linares, attended the official launch of local think tank Understanding Gibraltar last night, Thursday 9th March.

Following Minister Linares' welcome address, the Deputy Chief Minister delivered a speech entitled A Nation in Evolution. Dr Garcia considered the historical, political, social and cultural influences that have shaped the evolution of the Gibraltarian national identity, and how this continues to have relevance today. Dr Garcia argued that the social and cultural harmony that forms such a crucial part of modern Gibraltar is a product of our nation's past and, simultaneously, the key to shaping a successful future of our own choosing.

The Deputy Chief Minister, Dr Joseph Garcia, said: 'I was delighted to address last night's Understanding Gibraltar event on a subject that is a great passion of mine. It is fantastic to see a group of dedicated and bright young Gibraltarians from diverse backgrounds working together to understand what makes modern Gibraltar such a cohesive cosmopolitan society. As a community, our diversity and our resolve are some of our greatest strengths, and at this important juncture where we face new challenges to our identities it is important that we continue to work together for the benefit of us all.'