

**The International Organization of Securities Commissions (IOSCO)
 Africa/Middle-East Regional Committee (AMERC)
 Public Conference**

*Theme: Navigating Tomorrow's Financial Landscape: Innovation,
 Inclusion and Sustainability*

21 February 2024

Westin Turtle Bay Resort & Spa, Balaclava
 Mauritius

Agenda

9.00 - 9.30	Registration & Coffee
9.30 - 9.35	Welcome Speech by the Master of Ceremony
9.35 - 9.50	Opening Remarks by Mr Mardayah Kona Yerukunondu, Chairperson, Financial Services Commission, Mauritius and First Deputy Governor of the Bank of Mauritius
9.50 - 10.05	Address by Mr Tajinder Singh, Deputy Secretary General, IOSCO
10.05 - 10.20	Keynote Address by the Honourable Soomilduth Bholah, Minister of Financial Services and Good Governance
10.20 - 10.30	Presentation of token of appreciation & photo session
10.30 - 11.00	Coffee Break
11.00 - 11.30	Introductory Address by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Mr Dhanesswurnath Thakoor, Chief Executive, Financial Services Commission, Mauritius ▪ Mr Ian Johnston, AMERC Vice Chair, Chief Executive, Dubai Financial Services Authority, DIFC, Dubai
11.30 - 12.30	Session 1: Fintech and Crypto - How the role of intermediaries/regulators are changing? Objectives of the Session: Fintech and Crypto are changing the dynamics within which the financial services industry is operating. This session will look at how Fintech and Crypto are changing the financial services landscape in the region. It also seeks to discuss the roles being played by intermediaries and regulators to bring Fintech and Crypto under regulatory oversight and for protecting investors.

	<p>Moderator: Mr Dhanesswurnath Thakoor, Chief Executive, Financial Services Commission, Mauritius</p> <p>Speakers: Mr Ian Johnston, Chief Executive, Dubai Financial Services Authority, DIFC, Dubai</p> <p>Mr Kamal Burun, Assistant Director, Authorisation Directorate, Financial Services Commission, Mauritius</p> <p>Ms Jessica Naga, Group CEO, Mauritian headquartered MINDEX Group of companies</p> <p>Mr Vincent Chatard, Chief Operating Officer, The Mauritius Commercial Bank Limited</p> <p>Discussion</p>
12.30 - 13.30	Lunch
13.30 - 14.30	<p>Session 2: Artificial Intelligence and Robotics - How technology can better serve the Capital Markets?</p> <p>Objectives of the Session:</p> <p>Technology plays a significant role on capital markets - The use of technology brings both opportunities and challenges in the financial markets. This session hence aims to explore the different facets Artificial Intelligence and Robotics can serve the capital markets in the region and the possible challenges in this domain.</p> <p>Moderator: Ms Renu Audit, Director, Supervision Directorate, Financial Services Commission, Mauritius</p> <p>Speakers: Mr Tajinder Singh, Deputy Secretary General, IOSCO</p> <p>Mr Philippe Richard, Executive Director, International Affairs, Financial Services Regulatory Authority, Abu Dhabi</p> <p>Mr Vipin Mahabirsingh, Managing Director, Central Depository & Settlement Co. Ltd</p> <p>Mr Benito Elisa, Founder & CEO, Wakanda 4.0</p> <p>Mr Vishal Joyram, Head of Global Markets - Absa Group Ltd</p> <p>Discussion</p>
14.30 - 14.45	Coffee Break
14.45 - 15.45	<p>Session 3: ESGs - Evolution in Africa</p> <p>Objectives of the Session:</p> <p>The adoption of ESG principles is gaining significant interests, changing the way in which financial institutions are allocating their capital and developing their business</p>

	<p>strategies. The aim of this session is to understand the African ESG’s landscape – whether it is a priority for business in Africa? It will also cover ESG investment opportunities and challenges in the region, and the crucial role financial institutions can play in supporting the continent’s ESG agenda.</p> <p>Moderator: Mr Yasser Mounsif, Chair of the IOSCO AMERC Working Group on Sustainable Finance, Head of Corporate Finance & Financial Disclosure, Autorité Marocaine du Marché des Capitaux, Morocco</p> <p>Speakers: Reverend Daniel Ogbarmey Tetteh, Director- General, Securities and Exchange Commission, Ghana</p> <p>Mrs Hemlata Sadhna Sewraj-Gopal, Second Deputy Governor, Bank of Mauritius</p> <p>Mrs Dovinassy Pillay-Naiken, Ag Director, Financial Services Unit, Ministry of Financial Services and Good Governance</p> <p>Ms Krishna Gangopadhyay, Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer, AFRINEX Limited</p> <p>Ms Harsheenee Aujayeb, General Manager, ESG Intellis Solutions Ltd</p> <p>Discussion</p>
15.45 - 16.00	Closing Speech

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