

Mauritius - Africa

STRATEGY

Spearheading Africa's Economic Transformation

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The Economic Development Board Mauritius operates under the aegis of the Ministry of Finance, Economic Planning and Development

Our Mandate

- → Strategic Economic Planning
- → Business Facilitation
- → Trade and Investment Promotion
- → Country Branding



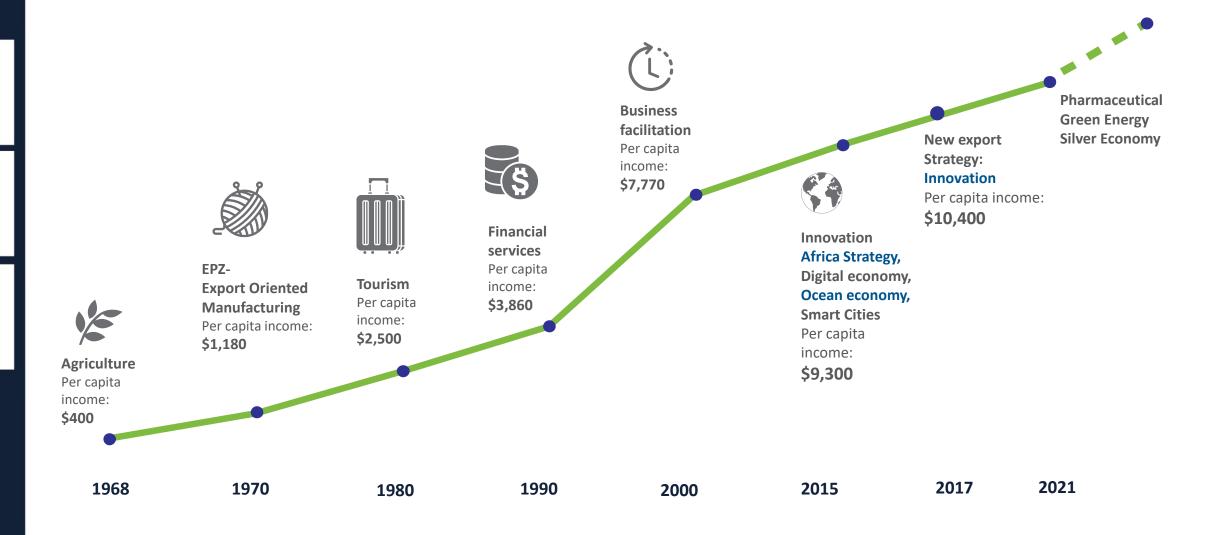
VISION STATEMENT

To become the ideal and indisputable platform for doing business across Africa and promoting Reforms, Trade and Investment across the Region



MAURITIUS: TOWARD A HIGH-INCOME ECONOMY

High In come Economy



INTERNATIONAL ACCOLADES



World Bank
Ease of Doing Business 2020
13th out of 190 Countries

World Happiness Report 2021

44th out of 95 countries

Productive Capacity Index (UNCTAD) 2021

Global Competitiveness Index 2019

49th out of 140 countries

Tax Efficiency Index

6th globally

Mo Ibrahim Index of Africa Governance 2020

Global Innovative Index 2020

Kayak's Remote Working 2022

Forbes Survey of Best Countries for Business 2019 39th out of 139 countries

MULTI-PRONG AFRICA STRATEGY

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Trade and Investment Promotion

03

Enhancing Economic Diplomacy

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Visibility - Holistic communication strategy



Market Intelligence, Desk Research & Project Identification / Facilitation



Network Development



Capacity Building and Peer-to-Peer learning for Africa (Regional Centre of Excellence - Africa)



OBJECTIVES

- > To consolidate the position of Mauritius as a professional services platform.
- ▶ To contribute towards the implementation of AFCFTA measures.
- ▶ To promote Mauritius as Africa's main IFC.
- □ To engage in peer-to-peer learning, in trade in investment promotion, promote good governance and ease of doing business.
- ▷ Align with various continental strategies such as AfDB's High 5s, FOCAC, UN SDGs, G20 Compact with Africa and the ACP-EU.

ECONOMIC OUTLOOK OF AFRICA

Potential

Africa's population	2 billion	- 1	2050		
Consumer Spending	\$2.1 trillion	I	2025		
Urban population	1.4 billion	T	2050		
GDP	\$29 trillion	I	2050		
African business opportunities	\$5.6 trillion	I	2025		
Uncultivated Arable Land	60% of the world's				
Natural Reserves	10% of the world's Oil Reserves				
	40% Gold				
	80% of its platinum				

Challenges

- Perception, Global CEO's:
 - Governance
 - Political
 - Economic
 - Social
- Finance gap \$150 \$170 billion
- Intra African trade 15%
- Global trade < 3%
- 3% Global FDI
- Skills, Technology & Connectivity



PREFERENTIAL MARKET ACCESS TO ABOUT 70 % OF THE WORLD POPULATION





MAURITIUS:

TRADE WITH AFRICA, 2021

- ✓ Export value: \$1.3 Bn
- ✓ Continent: Europe (50%), Africa (31%), USA (10%), Asia (8%)
- ✓ Products: T&A, Seafood, Special sugar, medical devices, jewellery, Spirits, scrap metal, fresh produce, animal feed etc.



- ✓ Export value: \$ 395 Mn
- ✓ Country: South Africa (52%), Madagascar (22%), Kenya (12%), Reunion (6%), Seychelles (3%)
- ✓ Products: T&A, Special sugar, metal, animal feed, plastics



COMPANIES LEVERAGING MAURITIUS FOR GLOBAL OPERATIONS















Business Services























Great Places To Work Certified companies Allianz Services Mauritius, SD Worx, Mauritius Telecom, ServiQual, Superdist Ltd, FRCI





EDUCATION SECTOR



* Provisional Forecast as per Statistics Mauritius

Investment Opportunities In The Education Sector

World-class international pre-primary, primary and secondary schools

Technical and vocational institutes

Research-focused universities

Executive Education Institutions



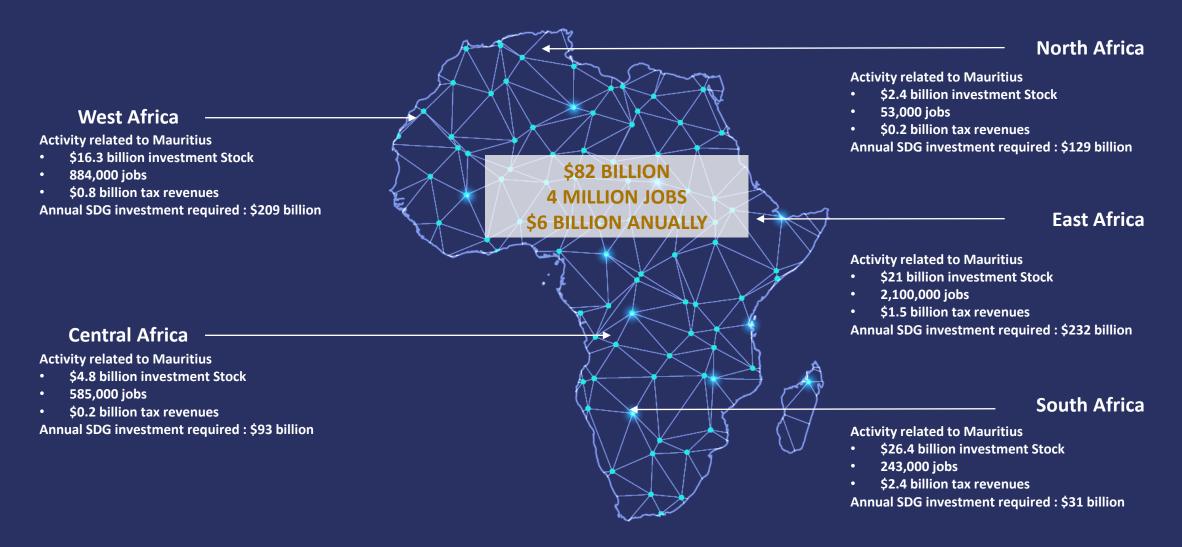
Specialized institutions/university campuses offering courses in fields such as artificial intelligence, blockchain, robotics, Fintech, renewable energy, ocean economy, creative arts, high tech engineering, biotechnology, life sciences, computing, healthcare, nursing among others

Setting up of Centres of Excellence

Academic Collaborations



MAURITIUS CONTRIBUTION ON AFRICA





EDB Focus

Country	Exports of Goods	Export of Services	FDI Opportunities	Tourism	L/W/P
South Africa	High	High	High	High	High
Kenya	High	High	Low	Low	Low
France	High	High	High	High	High
UAE	Exploratory	High	High	High	High
India	High	High	High	Exploratory	Exploratory
China	High	High	High	Exploratory	Exploratory
Singapore	Exploratory	High	Exploratory	Exploratory	Low
Japan	Exploratory	High	Exploratory	Exploratory	Low



South Africa & France: Shows highest opportunities for Exports, FDI and residency, need to aggressively promote and ensure appropriate resourcing



China & India: Complex markets that will need extensive development. Economic Diplomacy is also key to establish networks, flatten NTBs and improve visibility and appeal to economic operators



Kenya: Focus mainly on export of services and exports of Goods and ODI



Summing Up

Africa Strategy Consolidates and enhances the position of Mauritius as a Business Hub and Learning Platform for the Continent.

- 1. Bilateral Arrangements to expand the economic horizon of Mauritius,
- 2. Regional Trade to boost and diversify our export,
- 3. Gross Investment To reinforce the position of Mauritius as an IFC of repute in the region,
- 4. Provide our economic operators a framework through the development of Special Economic Zones with a secure environment to operate and expand business from.

Our actions should target multinational institutions, DFIs, Exporters (including operators in the Free port), Manufacturers, service providers including our financial accountants, engineers, architects, lawyers and doctors.





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