



Dear Madam/Sir,

**Corporate Registers Forum Annual Conference/Conference
19 to 23 April 2010, Mauritius**

On behalf of the Executive Committee of the Corporate Registers Forum (CRF) and the Companies Division of Mauritius, I have the honour to invite you to the 7th Annual Conference of the CRF to be held in Mauritius between 19 and 23 April 2009.

The theme for the 2010 conference is “**The Integrity of Corporate Registers**”. This theme has been inspired by the need for better governance of information for the benefit of users of company registries, i.e. shareholders and other institutional investors. In the light of the recent financial crisis, that has partly been attributed to a failure at the level of the board, users of (public) company information should have the assurance that such data are faithful and trustworthy. During this Conference, we propose to discuss issues of mutual interest. These would include, amongst others, -

- name approvals and conflicts;
- company hijacking via the register; and
- processes to prevent fraud on the register.

The conference would also be an opportunity for participants to share experiences on the latest developments in the field of corporate registry management.

The World Bank has been invited to the conference. The theme of their intervention would be focused mainly on the “Doing Business 2010 Report”.

Given that several registries are now moving to an IT based platform to better serve their clients, we have planned for some IT professionals to be present during the conference. The latter will make presentations on new and innovative services in the area of business registration. You will have ample time to have bilateral discussions with them.

The conference will be held at the Sugar Beach Hotel, Wolmar, Flic en Flac, Mauritius. This beach hotel which is located on the west coast of the island is about 45 minutes drive from the Sir Seewoosagur International Airport.

Additional information on the conference, including an online registration and details of accommodation and other logistics will shortly be available on the CRF website at www.corporateregistersforum.org. In case you need additional information or would like to raise any particular issue with me, I would kindly ask you to email me at rocd@intnet.mu, with copy to the secretariat at secretariat@corporateregistersforum.org. We have also set up a dedicated secretariat for the conference in my office. The contact email is crfmauritius@mail.gov.mu.

I rely on your attendance and your support to make the conference a success.

I look forward to meeting you in Mauritius, and would invite you to take some time off to enjoy the culture, environment and cuisine of Mauritius.

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