

TRANSPARENCY MAURITIUS

ANNUAL REPORT- 31 DECEMBER 2022

The Board of Directors have the pleasure to submit the annual report of Transparency Mauritius together with audited financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2022.

Nature of Business

Transparency Mauritius is registered as an independent, non-partisan body corporate and a non-government organisation in the country. It is also a CSR approved NGO N/1137.

Transparency Mauritius is the accredited National Chapter of Transparency International, a global civil society organisation leading the fight against corruption based in Berlin, Germany. Transparency International raises awareness of the damaging effects of corruption and collaborates with partners in government, business and civil society to develop and implement effective measures to tackle corruption.

Objects of Transparency Mauritius

- To raise public awareness and advance the general education of the public in the promotion of integrity in business ethics in national and international business transactions.
- To promote, undertake or commission research for the benefit of the public, into aspects of containing corruption and influencing peddling in national and international business transactions.
- To combat corruption and influence peddling, and to give legislative and public bodies facilities for conferring with and ascertaining the views of persons and institutions engaged in combating corruption as regards matters directly or indirectly affecting that issue.
- To provide for meetings and publications of any type to combat corruption, including fundraising and/or the use of the media.
- To contribute to increase the accountability of decision makers and transparency at all levels of the public and private sectors.

Activities 2022

In 2022, Transparency Mauritius had to catch up for projects delayed by the Covid-19 pandemic. However, there were still restrictions with regards to gathering. This caused further delays for sensitising talks in schools and colleges.

The Corruption Perception Index was published on 31st January 2023. Mauritius ranked 57 with a CPI of 50.

TM continued its partnership with the Media Trust to encourage investigative journalism through a dedicated award for this category.

The talks and advocacies on Good Governance, ethics, anti-corruption and anti-money laundering continued simultaneously in educational institutions, the public and private sectors and in the press and social media.

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Video clips were produced and broadcasted both on social media and the webpages of online media. The videos focused on issues such as freedom of information and funding of political parties.

In the same line, TM produced an online course on Good Governance, ethics and whistleblowing with the support of LearnBox, a company specialised in the production of such courses.

TM had ongoing conversations and exchanges on Illicit Financial Flows and also focused on the financing of political parties which is described as an anomaly in the normal due diligence and compliance rules to prevent money laundering.

TM had meetings with several representatives of different countries such as the Ambassadors of Canada and Germany the Head of Africa Department of the foreign Office of the United Kingdom as well as other representatives. Talks were also held with the EU Ambassador and the US embassy representatives.

Projects of Transparency Mauritius in 2022 include:

- Publication of the Corruption Perception Index 2021
- TM Investigative Journalism Award jointly with the Media Trust Nicolas Lambert Awards
- Implementation of anti-corruption policies in both Public and Private Sectors
- Talks and trainings on Code of Conduct/Ethics in both the Public and Private Sectors
- Talk on Ethics, Integrity and Corruption in schools, universities and clubs.
- Training on Whistleblowing
- Roundtable on Impact Assessment and Monitoring
- Workshop on abusers of the emergency protocol in public procurement during the covid-19 pandemic
- Public speaking contest; youth engagement in the civic work “Moi Jeune, Je m’engage”
- National awareness campaigns and sensitising campaigns on Financing of Political Parties, Freedom of Information and Protection of Whistle-blowers
- Study and workshop on the prevalence of Sextortion in Mauritius
- Study on the Illicit Financial Flows
- Sensitisation sessions on Sextortion with women in clubs, centres, and NGOs
- Advocacy on funding of Political Parties
- Advocacy for the implementation of Protection of Whistle-blowers Act
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TM has been present in the local media:

- 43 interviews or reports on different radio channels
- 42 articles and/or interviews in different newspapers
- Fifty-seven reports on national TV and online news channels

Advocacy campaigns in the local media under the EU Project:

- 65 interviews or reports on different radio channels
- 104 reports on national TV and online news channels

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The staff attended the following webinars and workshops:

| DATE | TITLE | ORGANISERS |
|-------------------------|--|---|
| 24 February 2022 | Do No Structural Harm? A Discussion of Dissent in International and Non-Governmental Organizations | UNCAC |
| 25 February 2022 | Whistling at the Fake - Roundtable 2 | UNCAC |
| 10 March 2022 | SADC Parliamentary Forum | SADC |
| 13 April 2022 | Child /Revenge Pornography in Mauritius | Ministry of Gender Equality and Family Welfare |
| 26 April 2022 | Aleph database & asset tracing training by OCCRP 1.Basic Aleph Database training session | TI |
| 27 April 2022 | UNCAC Coalition General Assembly | UNCAC |
| 28 April 2022 | Aleph database & asset tracing training by OCCRP 2.Research Methods for Asset Tracing | TI |
| 05 to 06 May 2022 | Whistling at the Fake -Final International Conference | UNCAC |
| 10 May 2022 | Pursue Enforcement and Justice | TI |
| 17 May 2022 | Build Community leadership against corruption | TI |
| 18 May 2022 | Protect the Publics Resources | TI |
| 19 May 2022 | Stop the Flows of Dirty Money | TI |
| 23 May 2022 | Human rights and youth engagement Workshop | Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Human Rights Division) |
| 25 May 2022 | Secure Integrity in Politics | TI |
| 15 June 2022 | The review of implementation of the UNCAC "Briefing of NGOs" | UNODC |
| 20 June 2022 | TI Movement Summit - Opening Plenary session | TI |
| 21 June 2022 | TI Movement Summit - Unleashing the power of Integrity Schools | TI |
| 23 June 2022 | TI Movement Summit - setting the course for joint action in 2023-2026. | TI |
| 07 July 2022 | "Giving the People a Voice"-Exclusive Insights: Straconsult /Afrobarometer survey 2022 | Straconsult |
| 13 July 2022 | 3rd Regional Meeting for Sub-Saharan Africa for 2022 | UNCAC |
| 14 July 2022 | Youth Integrity Initiative | TI |
| 05 to 08 September 2022 | On the achievements of the political declaration adopted by the special session of the General Assembly against corruption | UNCAC |
| 12 to 14 September 2022 | Onboarding for New Movement Staff to Transparency International | TI |
| 11 October 2022 | UNCAC Regional meeting "Funding of Political Parties " | UNCAC |
| 17 October 2022 | UNODC 11th session COP UNTOC | UNODC |
| 08 to 09 November 2022 | Strengthening Mechanisms for the protection and safety of whistle-blower in Kenya, Mauritius, South Sudan and Uganda | Africa Freedom of Information Centre |

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Board of Directors:

- Ms. Lovania Pertab (Chairperson)
- Mr. Charles Philippe D.B Hardy
- Ms. Brinda Devi Dabysing
- Mr. Joseph Marc Eddy Jolicoeur

Company Secretary:

SIMO Corporate Services Ltd

Corporate Members (Platinum):

- Currimjee Jeewanjee & Co Ltd – MUR 100,000
- Mauritius Commercial Bank Ltd – MUR 100,000

Corporate Members (Gold):

- Alteo Group – MUR 50,000
- ABSA Bank Mauritius Ltd – MUR 50,000
- Ciel Group – MUR 50,000
- Eclasia Group – MUR 50,000
- Evaco Group – MUR 50,000
- IBL Group – MUR 50,000
- Jubilee Insurance Ltd - MUR 50,000
- Mauritius Oil Refineries Ltd – MUR 50,000
- PWC Ltd – MUR 50,000
- Rehm Grinaker Construction Co Ltd – MUR 50,000
- The Mauritius Union Group – MUR 50,000

Paid Services and other Fundings:

- Radio Plus Ltd – MUR 18,187.83
- Events Plus Ltd – MUR 469.32
- Rehm Grinaker Construction Co Ltd – MUR 75,000
- Evaco Group – MUR 75,000
- Alteo Group – MUR 92,000
- Terra Mauricia Ltd – MUR 100,000
- Meaders Feeds Ltd – MUR 75,000
- LGI Ltd – MUR 50,000
- Canada Fund for Local Initiatives – MUR 76,316.10
- Transparency International e. V. Secretariat – MUR 834,700
- European Union – MUR 3,442,202.80

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Paid Services and other Fundings (Cont'd)

- Commission de l'océan Indien (INCA) – MUR 266,600
- The Lux Collective Ltd – MUR 100,000

Partners:

- Moollan & Moollan – Chartered Certified Accountants
- Richard Rault Chambers

Number of talks under the EU Project:

- Schools/Colleges – 18
- University – 1
- Special Education Needs Authority - 9
- Mauritius Post Ltd – 1

Number of talks under the CFLI Project:

- Social Welfare Centres – 18

Number of whistleblowing/other talks:

- Terra Mauricia Ltd – 2
- Rehm Grinaker Construction Co Ltd – 1
- Alteo Ltd – 7
- Commission de l'océan Indien - 2

Other Meetings:

- PPPAC – 3
- Good Governance Committee / NCCG- 1
- PPO – 1
- MRA Advisory Committee - 2