



# Trade and Competitiveness Monitoring Note

2016



# Mauritius

| GDP (US\$        | Population | Income per      | Poverty rate | Unemployment |
|------------------|------------|-----------------|--------------|--------------|
| billions) (2016) | (millions) | capita (current | (2012)       | rate (2014)  |
|                  | (2016)     | US\$) (2016)    |              |              |
| 12.41            | 1.27       | 9,778.16        | 0.53         | 7.70         |

2012

2013

2014

2015

### **Macro Indicators**

|   | 1118 2002 2011 | 2012      | 2010      | 2011      | 2010      | 2010      |
|---|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| GDP growth (annual %)                       | 3.792.4        | 3.228.5   | 3.200.0   | 3.600.0   | 3.600.0   | 3.800.0   |
| Current account balance                     | -4.253.7       | -7.300.0  | -9.900.0  | -10.300.0 | -7.500.0  | -6.510.2  |
| Fiscal balance (% of GDP)                   | -4.233.7       | -2.192.8  | -3.300.0  | -4.215.9  | -4.405.8  | -3.658.3  |
| Remittances, received (% of GDP) [1]        | 0.806.2        | 0.007.5   | 0.004.6   | 0.006.6   | _         | _         |
| Real Effective Exchange Rate (2010=100)     | 95.964.7       | 105.609.5 | 107.066.3 | 109.805.5 | 103.092.5 | 104.536.0 |
| Consumer Price Index, annual percent change | 5.892.7        | 3.868.8   | 3.533.0   | 3.219.3   | 2.175.4   | 3.000.0   |
|   |                |           |           |           |           |           |

Δνσ 2002-2011



### **Investment indicators**

|   | Avg 2002-2011 | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 |
|---|---------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| Gross domestic investment (% GDP)                               | 22.4          | 22.0 | 20.6 | 18.7 | 19.0 | 19.0 |
| Gross domestic investment, of w: Private investment (% GDP) [1] | 24.7          | 24.8 | 25.2 | 23.0 | _    | _    |
| Inward FDI (% of GDP) [2]                                       | 2.4           | 5.1  | 2.2  | 3.3  | _    | _    |
| Inward FDI, % of private investment [2]                         | 9.6           | 22.5 | NA   | _    | _    | _    |



#### Trade Indicators

| Trade Indicators  | Avg 2002-2011 | 2012  | 2013  | 2014  | 2015  | 2016  |
|---|---------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Total Trade in Goods and Services (% of GDP, real terms)        | 125.4         | 120.2 | 115.6 | 122.6 | 127.8 | 124.9 |
| Trade balance (% GDP, real terms)                               | -7.9          | -1.0  | -1.3  | -0.1  | 1.7   | 1.1   |
| Exports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms) | 3.7           | 3.4   | -1.0  | 11.0  | 9.5   | 1.0   |
| Imports, Goods and Services, annual percent change (real terms) | 2.3           | 1.4   | -0.5  | 8.8   | 6.4   | 2.0   |
| Total reserves in months of imports [1]                         | 3.6           | 4.1   | 4.5   | 4.9   | _     | _     |



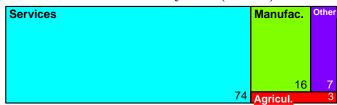
Sources: MFM note, [1] World Development Indicators (WDI), [2] UNCTADSTAT, [3] World Economic Outlook (WEO)

Goods Export and Import volume growth, 2012-2015



Source: Development Prospects Group (DECPG)

Gross Value Added by Economic Activity 2013 (% GDP)



Source: World Development Indicators (WDI)

Top 5 Exports by % of Total Value, 2014

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Imports Categories by % of Total Value, 2014

| Consumer goods | Capital goods | Intermediate Raw |           |  |
|----------------|---------------|------------------|-----------|--|
|                |               | goods            | materials |  |
|                |               |                  |           |  |
|                |               |                  |           |  |
| 47             | 20            | 19               | 14        |  |

Source: World Integrated Trade Solution (WITS)

# Doing Business 2015 Ranks (among all countries)

|                                   | $\mathrm{DB}\ 2015\ \mathrm{Rank}$ | $\mathrm{DB}\ 2016\ \mathrm{Rank}$ | Change in Rank |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------|
| Dealing with Construction Permits | 74                                 | 35                                 | 39             |
| Ease of Doing Business Rank       | 31                                 | 32                                 | -1             |
| Enforcing Contracts               | 28                                 | 27                                 | 1              |
| Getting Credit                    | 36                                 | 42                                 | -6             |
| Getting Electricity               | 39                                 | 41                                 | -2             |
| Paying Taxes                      | 13                                 | 13                                 | 0              |
| Protecting Minority Investors     | 27                                 | 29                                 | -2             |
| Registering Property              | 98                                 | 99                                 | -1             |
| Resolving Insolvency              | 36                                 | 39                                 | -3             |
| Starting a Business               | 29                                 | 37                                 | -8             |
| Trading Across Borders            | 66                                 | 66                                 | 0              |

Source: Doing Busines Report 2015

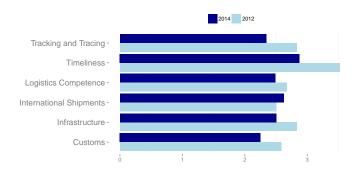
## WEF Competitiveness Indicators

(Scale 1-5, 5=best)

# Health and primary educat. Labor mrkt efficiency. Technol. Readiness Macroec. environment 2: Institutions Business sophist. Goods mrkt efficiency Higher educat. and training + Mauritius Innovation Market size Infrastructure

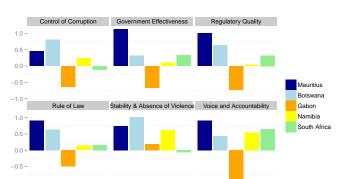
Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

# Logistics Performance Index (Scale 1-5, 5=best)



Source: Logistics Performance Index (World Bank)

# World Governance indicators (Std. score, High=best)



 $\overset{\text{-}}{\text{Source}}$ : Worldwide Governance Indicators

## **Trade Policy**

|  | 2010 | 2014 |
|--|------|------|
| Applied Tariff (Incl. Prefers. and Trade-Weighted) | 2.3  | 1.8  |
| Binding (%)  | 17.2 | 16.8 |
| Dispersion (Standard Deviation)                    | 5.54 | 5.2  |
| Import duties collected (%, 2011-2013) [1]         |      | 0.7  |
| MFN Tariff (Agriculture)                           | 0.97 | 0.9  |
| MFN Tariff (Non-Agriculture)                       | 1.39 | 1.1  |
| MFN Tariff (Simple Average)                        | 1.3  | 1.1  |
| Services sectors with GATS commitments [1]         | _    | 27.0 |

Sources: WITS, [1] WTO Trade Profiles

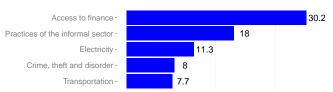
## Private Sector's Views

## **Enterprise Survey 2013**

|   | Sub-Saharan Africa | Mauritius | All Countries |
|---|--------------------|-----------|---------------|
| Number of electrical outages in a typical month   | 8.30               | 1.20      | 6.30          |
| Percent of firms with a bank loan/line of credit  | 23.10              | 47.40     | 34.30         |
| Proportion of investment financed by banks (%)  | 9.90               | 30.80     | 14.30         |
| Proportion of investment financed internally (%)  | 76.70              | 51.90     | 71.80         |
| Senior management time spent dealing with the requirements of government regulation (%) | 8.20               | 9.40      | 9.90          |

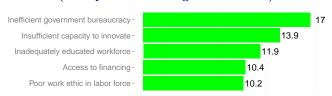
Source: Enterprise Survey 2013

Top 5 constraints according to ES 2013 (% respondants)



Source: Enterprise Survey 2013

Top 5 constraints according to WEF 2015 survey (% respondants among 88 executives)



Source: WEF Global Competitiveness Report 2015

