**REQUEST FOR PROJECT GRANT**

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**MAURICE ILE DURABLE FUND**

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***Transforming the environmental, economic***

***and social landscape of Mauritius***

In 2008, the Prime Minister, Dr. The Honourable Navinchandra Ramgoolam announced his vision of making Mauritius a Sustainable Island – “Maurice Ile Durable” (MID). The main objective of the Maurice Ile Durable concept is to make Mauritius a world model of sustainable development, particularly in the context of SIDS (Small Island Developing States). While the initial thrust was to minimize our dependency on fossil fuels through increased utilization of renewable energy and a more efficient use of energy in general, the concept soon widened to include all aspects of the economic model, society and the environment that are considered to be pivotal in the quest for a sustainable Mauritius.

The MID concept includes a participatory approach towards elaborating a national strategy for sustainable development aiming to take on board the whole society in the implementation of this ambitious project. “The Maurice Ile Durable project belongs not to its conceptors or to Government but to the whole Mauritian nation. It is a social project and is essentially a vision that seeks to transform the environmental, economic and social landscape of the country” (Dr the Honourable Navinchandra Ramgoolam).

A wide National Consultation Process (NCP) was launched in February 2010 with the aim to come up with a Green Paper, elaborating embodying the needs and aspirations of Mauritian and to develop a Shared Vision on MID, The Green paper was submitted by Prof Odendaal in April 2011.

The Government is now finalizing its MID Policy, a clear ten year MID Strategy and a detailed MID Action Plan to pave the way for the sustainable development of Mauritius. In order to achieve this objective, the Government has constituted six working groups to work out on the following themes, covering the 5Es of MID, namely Energy, Environment, Education, Employment and Equity. Two working groups have been set up for the Environment Sector. Each Working Group held several workshops from June to July 2011, with all concerned stakeholders from Ministries, parastatal bodies, public sector, local communities, civil society as well as other associations. The objective of the Working Groups is to identify the means and ways of achieving the “Shared MID Vision” and come up with concrete recommendations in each theme which will feed in the process of formulation of the MID Policy, Strategy and Action Plan. The working groups will use the Green Paper and other sectoral policies and strategies as base documents for discussion.

**REQUEST FOR Project/Programme Funding from MAURICE ILE DURABLE FUND**

The Maurice Ile Durable Fund Program seeks to support projects which pursue green opportunities to transform the environmental, economic and social landscape of Mauritius in either one of the five thematic areas:

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| **Energy / Resources** | **Environment** | **Education** | **Equity** | **Employment** |
| Promoting alternate mode of transport | Projects in relation to Pollution   * Air Quality * Wastewater * Noise * Water * Marine Pollution | Eco-school concept | Projects in relation to   * Socially disadvantage groups * Differently able persons including skilling * Care for children with special educational needs * Care for the elderly | Development of global report frameworks |
| Development of minimum energy performance standards for selected household equipments | Development of modules on sustainable development (Primary/Secondary/ Tertiary) | Research and development on green job concepts |
| Development of energy audit schemes for industries | Projects in relation to solid waste   * Storage * Collection * Transportation * Treatment * Bulky wastes | Demonstrative / educational projects on sustainable development |  |  |
| Design of prototypes of energy efficient / bioclimatic design of houses | Research in sustainable development |  |  |
| Development of sustainable consumption and production of resources |  |  |  |  |
| Energy Productions:   * Biogas * Geothermal * Wind / Solar * Tidal wave * Hydro * Energy from waste |  |  |  |  |

**Application Process**

How to Apply for a MID Fund

1. Complete ALL sections of the application form.
2. Attach ALL additional information required: EIA licence or PER approval, building and land use permit from local authorities or any other relevant clearances, letter of endorsement from other donor agencies (if project has co-financing components)

The annexed form should be completed and transmitted to the Maurice Ile Durable Fund Project Management Unit by email or fax.

Please type in the responses using the template provided. The instructions attached to the form provide guidance to filling out the template.

Please note that a project/programme must be fully prepared (i.e., fully appraised for feasibility) when the request is submitted. The final project/programme document resulting from the appraisal process should be attached to this request for funding.

Complete documentation should be sent to

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