

OFFICE OF THE OMBUDSPERSON FOR CHILDREN REPUBLIC OF MAURITIUS (in collaboration with the International Ombudsman Institute)



2-day workshop on "The role of Ombudsman and Mediators in monitoring the situation of children in conflict with the law and deprived of their liberty"

5 - 6 September 2023

The Office of the Ombudsperson for Children invites Ombudsmans and Mediators Institutions affiliated to the International Ombudsman Institute to participate in a 2-day Workshop on the theme *"The role of Ombudsman and Mediators in monitoring the situation of children in conflict with the law and deprived of their liberty"* to be held in the Republic of Mauritius **on 5 and 6 September 2023.** This workshop is mainly financed by the International Ombudsman Institute under the IOI Regional Subsidy Programme.

The aim and objectives are as follows:

Aim

To discuss the role of Ombudsman and Mediators in monitoring the situation of children in conflict with the law and deprived of their liberty from a child rights perspective and to share experiences and good practices.

Objectives

- 1. To understand the issue of children in conflict with the law as per the UNCRC and the UN Guidelines on Juvenile Justice
- 2. To identify threats and challenges in monitoring the implementation of the provisions made in the above instruments on the topic
- 3. To share experiences and good practices

Workshop Information

Registration

Registration is mandatory. Participants must register by filling the annexed Registration Form to be submitted at latest by **<u>10 August 2023</u>** by email on <u>ombudschild@govmu.org</u>

Seats are limited. Selection of participants will be on a first come first served basis.

No registration fee will be required

Accommodation

Each participant will have to book his/her accommodation directly with a hotel of his liking. The Workshop Secretariat can provide information about hotels near the venue.

Airport tranfers

You may arrange your airport transfers with the hotels.

Insurance

Participants must take their own travel insurance to cover the duration of their stay in Mauritius.

Visa

An entry visa may be required to travel to Mauritius. For further details on visa requirements and procedures, please check on the website of the Passport and Immigration Office Mauritius, <u>https://passport.govmu.org</u>. For assistance, please contact the Workshop Secretariat.

Lunch and dinners

The Organizers shall provide only lunch and two tea breaks on both days.

Exhibition and Sharing of Good Practices

Participants who wish to display posters or reports or share good practices from his/her country, on the topic are requested to inform the Organising Secretariat at the time of registration.

Language

The lectures and discussions shall be held in English.

Currency

The local currency is the Mauritian Rupee and the equivalence is around 1 USD= 45 MUR. The main international currencies can be exchanged at the local commercial banks and at registered money changers. Please note that banks operate only on week days from 9 00 to 15 15 hrs.

Cultural visit (Optional)

A one-day cultural visit may be organized on 7 September 2023 for participants who wish to explore the beauty of our paradise island. Interested participants are requested to confirm their participation at the time of registration by email. A fee of USD 50 (lunch included) will be collected on the first day of the workshop. Please contact the Workshop Secretariat for more details.

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