



The Regional Centre of Excellence ('RCE') of the Financial Services Commission, Mauritius ('FSC') in collaboration with the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development ('OECD'), will host a 2-day hybrid workshop on "Sovereign debt management, sustainable bonds and debt transparency" on **Wednesday 26 July 2023 at 10.30 -15.45 hrs & Thursday 27 July 2023 at 13.00-16.00 hrs (Mauritius Time)**.

Overview of the workshop

Debt burdens were surging in many developing countries even before the COVID-19 pandemic. Today, while many low- and middle-income countries face high and persistent debt burdens, increased sovereign financing needs, rising funding costs, price pressures with a high degree of uncertainty are putting extra pressure on public debt management. In addition, climate-related risks pose an increasing danger to people's lives and public finance, requiring debt managers to take a closer look at Environment, Social and Governance (ESG) factors while meeting funding needs. Against this backdrop, many countries will need to strengthen their debt management capacity and enhance debt transparency.

The first day of the workshop will explore sovereign debt management practices, including challenges, risk mitigation tools and sovereign sustainable bonds, based on country practices.

The second day of the workshop will focus on debt transparency and how can a more transparent debt market improve debt management and reduce the cost of debt. It will include a roundtable in which participants will have the opportunity to share and discuss about their experiences.

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