

Mauritius Research and Innovation Council (MRIC)

PROVISION OF PATENT RELATED SUPPORT SERVICES BY THE MAURITIUS RESEARCH AND INNOVATION COUNCIL

The Mauritius Research and Innovation Council (MRIC; <http://www.mric.mu>) has under S. 4(e) of the MRIC Act 2019, the object to "*Promote Commercial Utilisation of the results of Research and Development and Innovation, in the National Interest*"

The aim of the MRIC Technology Transfer Office (MRIC-TTO) is to provide (i) technical support to local inventors, and (ii) assistance in the identification, protection and management of Intellectual Property (IP) that can arise from their activities. In this context, the MRIC has set up a collaborative agreement from SKS Law Associates to assist local inventors in accessing the following patent-related support services:

- Examining characteristics of the inventions to identify novelty, inventive step, and industrial application;
- Conducting a customised pre-filing patent search (including novelty search) to identify prior art;
- Providing a Novelty Search Report;
- Providing a professional/legal opinion on the patentability of inventions; and
- The preparation and drafting of patent applications.



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