Mauritius Research and Innovation Council (MRIC)

PROVISION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY RELATED SUPPORT SERVICES BY THE MRIC

The Mauritius Research and Innovation Council (MRIC; <u>https://www.mric.mu/</u>) has under S.4(e) of the MRIC Act 2019, the object to "Promote commercial utilization of the results of Research and Development and Innovation, in the national interest".

The aims of the MRIC Technology Transfer Office (MRIC-TTO) are 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 with SKS Law Associates to assist local inventors in accessing the following Intellectual Property-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;
- preparing and drafting of Patent applications;
- advising on evaluation of technology and commercialization;
- advising on copyright, including computer-implemented inventions; and
- advising on and drafting of Industrial Design applications.

For details and how to apply, scan the QR Code.

