



CFA Society  
Mauritius

## Annual Report 2017



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# INTRODUCTION AND PRESIDENT'S REPORT

On behalf of the Management Committee of the CFA Society Mauritius, it is my privilege to present the Annual Report and the Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 30<sup>th</sup> June 2017, for your reference.

The year-on-year 11% increase in the number of members and 9% in the number of charter holders, with a reserve of nearly 24 charter pending, is an assurance of steady growth for the Society in the years to come; both in terms of members and, proportionally, in terms of funding.

This slick short-term trend however belies the fact that there is a stagnation in the number of candidates registered at all three levels; which is of concern at most Society levels. A possible solution to this dilemma, as gleaned from candidate interaction, is to make the Level 1 & 2 exams computer based and available for a sitting throughout the year. Societies would pass on these relevant suggestions as feedback to the Institute for deliberation.

At the level of your Society, this sophomore year has been anything else but soporific with more than its fair share of hitches!!

We had organized an inspiring and thought provoking talk by Jeremy O’Friel on the use of futures markets to reduce portfolio volatility. The level and quality of member participation in the debate that ensued did encourage us to try and repeat a similar event in May 2017.

Unfortunately, in spite of all our efforts, the speaker event based on the topic “Fintech, what next?” to be held in May of this year has had to be postponed to accommodate CFAI speaker schedules.

# INTRODUCTION AND PRESIDENT'S REPORT

At times it seemed that even the Gods had conspired against us; as the unstable climatic conditions and heavy rains at the end of April this year, saw the annulation of the Golf tournament planned for the period. For those of you, who are into this discipline, rest assured that it is only "*partie remise*" and is being rescheduled for the 28<sup>th</sup> of October this year.

Engagement with candidates was relatively smoother with a mock exam conducted under real test conditions and an outreach free lunch event on Exam day.

We had also seen through the successful completion of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Research Challenge. Some universities were willing to inscribe two teams given the growing interest among students; which is a positive for raising awareness of the CFA designation among local university students. The success of this endeavor goes as much to those members who unstintingly supported us by mentoring, grading or judging the presentations. The MC is ever so grateful for your support. As a compensation for your efforts, we will once again solicit and tax you for the next chapter of the RC as of next month.

It is, as well, the second consecutive year that has seen the nomination and participation of a MC member as a judge in the EMEA regional RC finals.

This financial year, we were also honored by the presence of George Spentzos, Member of the CFAI Board of Governors for the charter awards ceremony and end of year dinner. Taking advantage of his presence, we had renewed our engagement with both the SEM and the FSC.

# INTRODUCTION AND PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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We had enabled outreach initiatives with potential employers as well during his stay. The continued subscription to our Corporate Patron program by local firms is a non-negligible metric of the relevance of such outreach initiatives and for information dissemination of the CFA designation.

At the Institute level, MC delegates have actively participated in all relevant CFAI training and forums, be it the Regional EMEA conference in Budapest or the international Society Leadership Conference and the CFAI Annual Conference both held in tandem in Pennsylvania, US.

The other milestones achieved this year have been the bringing to completion of a full-fledged Brand Campaign sponsored by CFAI for creating awareness of the CFA designation in terms of both technical and ethical content.

Media engagement through articles and event coverage, as well as the bi-annual Newsletters have continued as in the past.

However, our planned calendar to launch the Aspirant class of membership for candidates and the possibility of procuring a corporate office suffered a major setback in spite of having been voted unanimously at the last AGM.

The classification of our Society as a large association by the Registrar of Associations meant that the special resolution to amend the Rules of CFA Society voted in the last AGM, would need to be revisited again during this AGM.

# INTRODUCTION AND PRESIDENT'S REPORT

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We have, in the light of discussions at the last AGM, used this opportunity to clarify and eliminate any unintended ambiguity regarding the procedure to be followed in the eventuality of procuring a corporate office. This new version of the amendments to the Rules of CFASM would be presented for vote as a special resolution during this AGM.

We have already shrugged off the mishaps of this year and are poised to kick off the coming year with a flurry of events.

We are organizing for the Golf Tournament to take place next month. The launch of the 3<sup>rd</sup> leg of the RC, too, would take place in October. A speaker event on Hedge Funds has been planned for November this year and another on Current Equity Valuations for January next year. We are awaiting the itinerary of Gary Baker, Director, EMEA, CFAI to put the final touches to the Charter Ceremony and/or EOY dinner.

We hope that you will be present in numbers to make all these events a success. We have the flame in our guts and the grit to make things happen with your continued support.

Thank you all for your encouragement and presence.

**Nousher Sait, CFA**  
**President**  
**CFA Society Mauritius.**

# THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OFFICE BEARERS 2016 - 2017



**President**

## Nousher Sait, CFA

Nousher has a multi-disciplinary educational background with a career spanning 25 years. He qualified as a CFA charterholder in 2013. He holds a Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) degree from the University of Madras, India; a Master of Science from the University of Petroleum and Minerals, with specialization in Mathematical Modeling and Operations Research and a Master in Business Administration from the University of Warwick, UK.

He is a director and consultant at Circumspect Investment Intl. Consultants Ltd and also serves as director on the Boards of several companies, both locally and abroad.



**Secretary**

## Ved Auckaloo

Ved joined the CFASM in 2010. He holds an M.Sc in Financial Management, a B.Sc. (Hons) in Economics from the University of London, and an LLB (Hons) (University of Northumbria). He has more than 18 years of experience in the financial services sector and had previously worked at the State Bank of Mauritius Ltd.

Currently, he is the Executive Director of Capital Asset Management Ltd (asset under management USD80.0M). The main clients of the latter include Port Louis Fund Ltd and SME Equity Fund Ltd.

# THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OFFICE BEARERS 2016 - 2017



**Treasurer**

## Norman Fon Sing, CFA

Norman joined the CFASM Management Committee since December 2012 as the Brand Awareness chair and is currently the Treasurer since January 2014. He holds the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) designation since 2012 and graduated with a Bachelor (Honours) Science degree with specialization in Actuarial Science from University of Toronto.

Career-wise Norman has over 10 years experience in Corporate Banking and is currently the Head of Domestic Corporate Banking at Barclays Bank (Mauritius) Ltd. His previous employers were Wachovia Capital Finance of Canada and SBM Bank (Mauritius) Ltd



**Advocacy Chair**

## Imrith Ramtohol, CFA

Imrith Ramtohol holds the position of Senior Investment Consultant at Aon Hewitt Ltd (Mauritius). Imrith holds the Chartered Financial Analyst designation and is a Fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants UK (FCCA). He also graduated from the University of Cape Town with a Bachelor of Business Science (Honours) degree.

He is a Member of the CFA Institute Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS) Asset Owners Subcommittee. Imrith previously held positions at Mauritius Union Group, the Stock Exchange of Mauritius and at subsidiaries of South African banking groups Rand Merchant Bank and Nedbank. He currently serves on the boards of several companies.

# THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE OFFICE BEARERS 2016 - 2017



**Sazia Khodabacksh, CFA**

Sazia has been serving on the management committee of CFA Society Mauritius since October 2015. She is a CFA Charter Holder since 2014, and holds a Bachelors in Economics (Honours) degree from the University of Warwick, England.

Sazia has previously worked as Fund Manager at AfrAsia Capital Management Ltd and in the Investment department of Mauritius Union Assurance Co. Ltd. She is currently an Associate in Corporate Finance at the MCB Capital Markets.

**Education & Asst.  
Secretary**





**Jessica Ha Shun, CFA**

Jessica holds the Chartered Financial Analyst designation, a Bachelor degree in Finance from University of Mauritius and is also an ACCA Affiliate.

She has previously worked in the Credit and Corporate Banking department of the State Bank of Mauritius for 4 years. She is presently working in the Transaction Advisory Services Department of Ernst & Young.

**Membership Chair  
& Asst. Treasurer**

# The Office Bearer's Participation and Attendance Report

Period covering 20 September 2016 to 15 August 2017										
Board Members	Participation in Management Committee Proceedings									
	94th	95th	96th	97th	98th	99th	100th	101st	102nd	Total Attendance
	20-Sep-16	18-Oct-16	29-Nov-16	20-Dec-16	24-Jan-17	14-Mar-17	30-May-17	11-Jul-17	15-Aug-17	
<b>Nousher Sait, CFA</b> President	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	9/9
<b>Vedprakash Auckaloo</b> Secretary	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	9/9
<b>Norman Fon Sing, CFA</b> Treasurer	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	9/9
<b>Imrith Ramtohul, CFA</b> Advocacy Chair	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	9/9
<b>Jessica Ha Shun, CFA</b> Assistant Treasurer & Membership Chair	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	8/9
<b>Sazia Khodabacksh, CFA</b> Assistant Secretary & Education Chair	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	8/9

**LEGEND:**  Present  Not Present



# MISSION & VISION OF CFASM



**The mission of CFASM is to lead the development of the Investment Profession.**

CFASM realigns itself with the same principles as CFA Institute. We are committed to working with our members and the global investment community to achieve our mission through our five organizational pillars.

## **ETHICAL CHAMPION**

Championing ethical behavior in investment markets.

## **GLOBAL COMMUNITY**

Creating a strong community of investment professionals.

## **INDUSTRY KNOWLEDGE**

Being a respected source of knowledge in investment markets.

## **PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE**

Raising standards of professional excellence in the industry.

## **THE GREATER GOOD**

Building an investment industry that serves the interests of investors and society.

# MISSION & VISION OF CFASM

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## OBJECTS:

- To promote the highest level of professional behaviour and ethical standard and particularly the CFA Institute Code of Ethics and Standards of Professional Conduct;
- To promote the CFA Institute Chartered Financial Analysts program; CIPM and Investments Foundation Program;
- To promote a proper public understanding of the Financial Analyst profession;
- To enhance both professional and general knowledge as well as the image of the Investment Professional.

# THE CFA INSTITUTE CODE OF ETHICS

## I will:

Act with integrity, competence, diligence and respect, and in an ethical manner with the public, clients, prospective clients, employers, employees, colleagues in the investment profession and other participants in the global capital markets;

Place the integrity of the investment profession and interests of clients above my own personal interests;

Use reasonable care and exercise independent professional judgement when conducting investment analysis, making investment recommendations, taking investment actions, and engaging in other professional activities;

Practise and encourage others to practice in a professional and ethical manner that will reflect credit on ourselves and the profession;

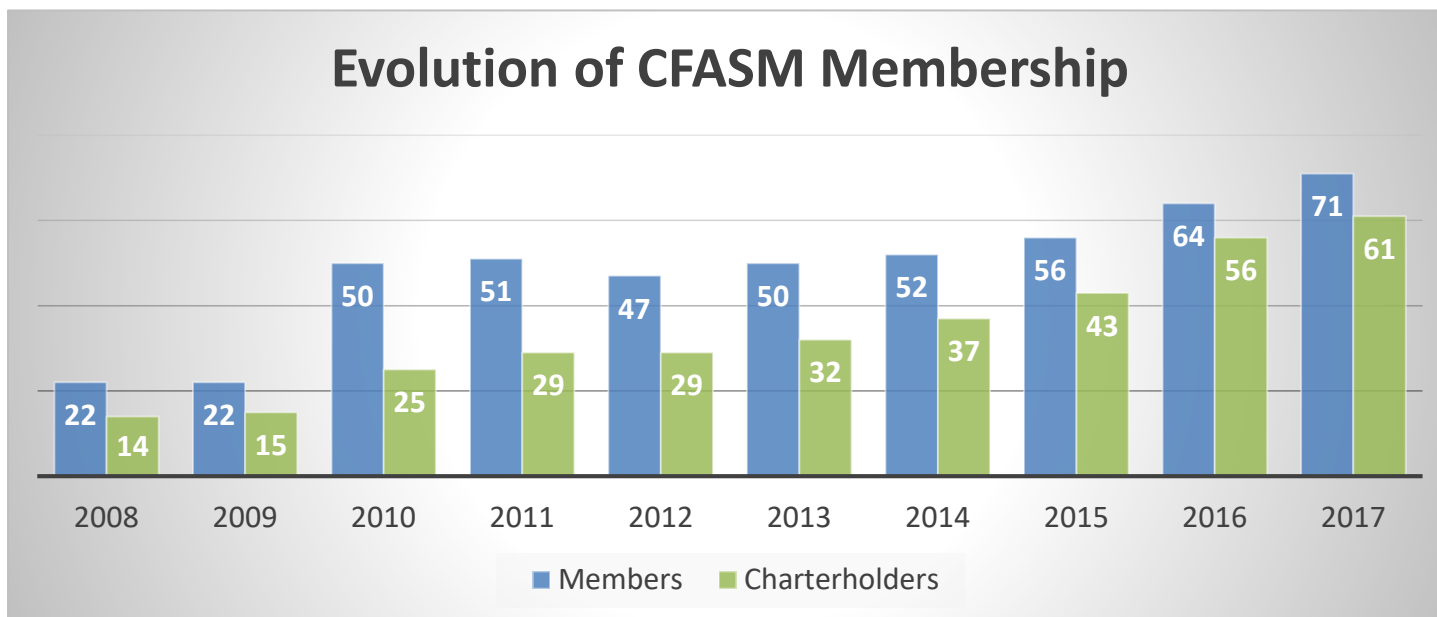
Promote the integrity of, and uphold the rules governing, capital markets,

Maintain and improve my professional competence and strive to maintain and improve the competence of other investment professionals.

# MEMBERSHIP

## Statistics

The CFA Institute and CFA Society Mauritius membership year runs from 1st July to 30th June. As at June 2017, CFASM had 71 members with 61 of them being charter holders. Chart below illustrates the evolution of our membership from 2008 to 2017.





# MEMBERSHIP

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## Webinars

CFA Institute spares no efforts to provide continuing education to all its members. In light of this, a series of webinars had been organised over the year. Baijnath Ramraika, one of our fellow members had conducted a webinar on the Valuation of Moat and Non-Moat Businesses and we had relayed the details of the same, among others, through email to you all.

Watch out for future emails from CFASM notifying you of these webinars and profit of the possibility to keep abreast of new perspectives in investment.

# MEMBERSHIP

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## Brand Campaign

CFA Institute launched an awareness brand campaign early 2016 with the tagline “A difference that matters”. CFASM participated in it through a series of placed adverts in the local news media. A detailed schedule of the adverts that appeared is outlined on Page 22.

*A glimpse of the brand campaign:*

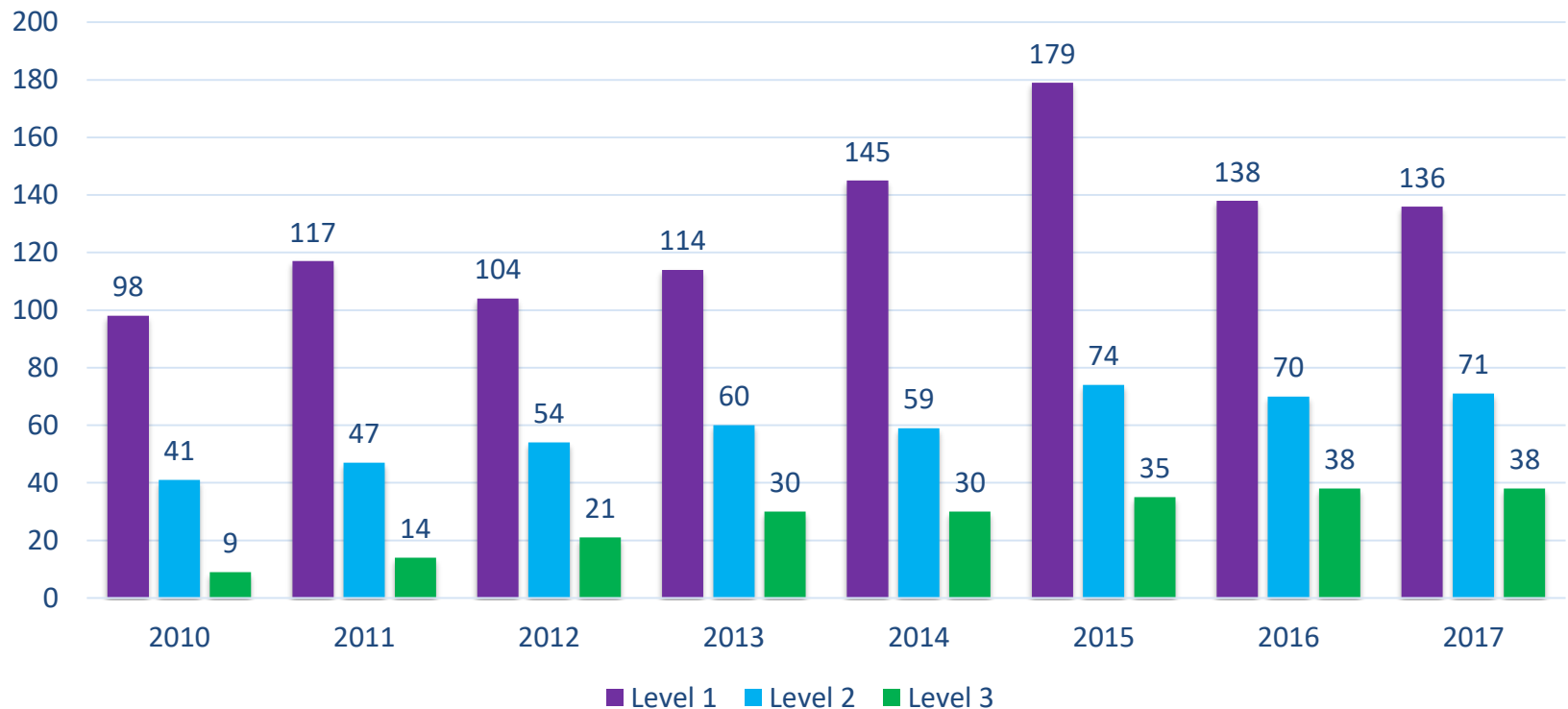


## Local Brand Campaign

In line with directives from CFA Institute to use local charter holders in the forthcoming brand campaign, CFASM set out for a search of members willing to be the local face of the CFA designation. CFASM had sent an email with detailed information to all the members requesting them to lend their profile to CFASM for this purpose if so willing. We have so far received three positive responses; unfortunately, no lady charter holder has responded to this request. The procedures are in progress for this initiative.

# EDUCATION & TRAINING

Candidate enrolment for this year as well as the trend can be seen below:



# EDUCATION & TRAINING

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## Scholarships

A total of 10 Access Scholarships were awarded to potential candidates sitting for CFA exams in June 2017. Apart from being a needs-based scholarship, an equally relevant criteria focuses on the willingness and motivation to complete the CFA program. This award provides for a full waiver of the enrolment fee and a reduction in the examination fee.

## Research Challenge

CFA Society Mauritius participated in the CFAI Research Challenge by organizing its second edition of local level Research Challenge, which saw the participation of five university teams namely University of Mauritius, University of Technology, Charles Telfair University, Université des Mascareignes and Middlesex University. Their research report was on the target company Rogers Co Ltd. Four teams then proceeded to the final presentation round which was held in the presence of a panel of industry experts. Each team could count on the support of their faculty adviser and was paired with an Industry Mentor. The kickoff was on the 20<sup>th</sup> Oct 2016 followed by the Q&A session held on 07<sup>th</sup> Nov 2016. The finals were held on the 16<sup>th</sup> of March where the University of Mauritius Team was declared the winner for the Research Challenge 2016. They then, went on to compete at the EMEA Regional Research Challenge hosted in Prague, Czech Republic.

# ADVOCACY

## **Employer Outreach**

On 12th December, George Spentzos, CFA accompanied by members of the MC, participated in an Outreach initiative, where they met with senior officials at MCB Capital Markets (MCBCM) and SBM Mauritius Asset Managers (SBM MAM) (both corporate patrons of CFASM). It was advocated during this outreach that employees (especially those outside of pure investment roles) should be encouraged to attempt the CFA Institute Investment Foundations program especially due to its emphasis on Ethics. MCBCM and SBM MAM were encouraged to adopt the Global Investment Performance Standards (GIPS) as well as the Asset Manager Code of Professional Conduct.

## **Regulator Outreach**

George Spentzos participated in a regulator outreach initiative with the SEM and the FSC during his visit. The Management of SEM informed George of the new products being listed on our Stock Exchange and highlighted the impact of these listings on Mauritius as a Financial centre. George mentioned that both CFA Institute and CFASM would continue supporting the local Stock Exchange in its future initiatives.

Discussions were also held with Mr.P.K Kuriachen, the Acting CEO of the Financial Services Commission of Mauritius in regards to raising the level of education among finance professionals. The Code of Ethics & Standards of Professional Conduct and Asset Manager Code of Professional Conduct were also on the menu. The Acting CEO was very supportive of the various CFAI initiatives. In addition to the CFA Research Challenge which is already being organized by the CFASM it was also felt desirable to organize the Ethics Challenge with the objective to create a general awareness of ethics among would be professionals. George also highlighted that the CFAI offered a number of scholarships for the CFA Programs specifically to relevant regulator personal.

# ADVOCACY

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## **African Advocacy Workshop (19 January)- Nairobi, Kenya**

The African Advocacy Workshop was held on 19th January in Nairobi and was attended by the actual CFASM Advocacy Chair, Imrith Ramtohol. Several society representatives coming from a number of African countries were also present. The main topics covered engaging with local Regulators to achieve recognition of the programs offered by CFA Institute, as well as an update on the GIPS® standards. Lucy Courtenay (Director, Government and Regulator Relations, EMEA) expounded on engaging with Regulators while Iain Mc Ara (Director, Global Investment Performance Standards, EMEA) tackled the GIPS® Standards through a presentation.

During the workshop, several societies also expressed interest in media outreach, and media training. CFASM supports such initiatives and will be working closely with the local media in its various projects.

# Media Presence

A constant media presence has been maintained through an array of event press releases, placed articles and paid brand campaign advertising inserts.

- An article related to the pension industry “Challenges faced by members of Defined Contribution Plan” appeared in the SEM May Newsletter. This article was then published in the November 2016 edition of the Vinkers Personal Finance Magazine.
- An article entitled “The Concept of Smart Beta” was later published in the SEM June Newsletter.
- The Futures workshop conducted by Jeremy O’Friel was highlighted in the press releases in the 11th November edition of BizWeek under the title “Adding futures to portfolio can reduce volatility”.
- On the 7th December 2016, an opinion article in L’Express was published under the heading “L’idée d’un nouveau ministre de finances ne plait pas aux investisseurs.”
- The Charter Ceremony 2017 was covered by both LeMauricien dated 14th December 2016 and BizWeek dated 16th December 2016.
- There was an interview of George Spentzos, Member, CFAI Board of Governors by LeDefi which appeared on the 16th of December 2016. This interview was under the Media Outreach initiative organized by the Society.

# Media Presence Continued

## Media Presence: continued

- The Research Challenge finals coverage was published in BizWeek and Le Mauricien on the 24th March 2017, and in Le Defi on the 9th April 2017.
- The rest of the media presence was filled in by the brand campaign (CFAI Sponsored) which lasted for four weeks and had full page adverts emphasizing the value of the CFA designation. The brand campaign advert appeared on the following dates.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
10-Oct	11- Oct	12- Oct	13- Oct	14-Oct	15- Oct	16- Oct
		Business Magazine				
17-Oct	18-Oct	19-Oct	20-Oct	21-Oct	22-Oct	23-Oct
L'Express			Le Mauricien & ENJEUX Magazine			Week End
24-Oct	25-Oct	26-Oct	27-Oct	28-Oct	29-Oct	30-Oct
	L'Express		Le Defi	BizWeek		
31-Oct	1-Nov	2-Nov	3-Nov	4-Nov	5-Nov	6-Nov
Le Mauricien		L'Express				Week End
7-Nov	8-Nov	9-Nov	10-Nov	11-Nov	12-Nov	13-Nov
Le Defi		Le Mauricien		BizWeek		

# ACTIVITY REPORT

## **Annual General Meeting (AGM), 23rd September 2016**

The AGM was organized on the 23rd Sept 2016 at Flying Dodo, Bagatelle. Out of 57 regular compliant members with voting rights, 39 were present or voted by proxy. Apart from the usual Society business, a special resolution was also passed to propose amendments to the Rules of the society. This would enable the creation of a new Aspirant membership class targeting candidates of both the CFA and CIPM programs. The amended Rules would also permit the acquisition of a corporate office. The resolution was voted in unanimously. However, due to CFASM being classified as a large association by the Registrar of Association, the Notification of AGM for this year will be published in two leading press organs and the amended rules of the Society proposed for a re-vote during the present AGM.

## **EMEA Regional Meeting, 6 to 8 October 2016**

The theme of the conference this year was “From Idea to Impact; Implementing Strategy” and the focus in the various workshops were threefold namely Credentialing, Member Value and Standards & Advocacy as well as continued Society Staff Training to better serve our members. The conference was held in Budapest, Hungary from 6 to 8 October 2016 with the CFASM delegation comprising of Ved Auckaloo, Imrith Ramtohol, Norman Fon Sing, and our staffed office, Sudha Ramsurrun attended the same.

# ACTIVITY REPORT

## **The Use of Futures Markets to reduce Portfolio Volatility, 07 November 2016**

CFASM had the pleasure of organizing a speaker event with Mr Jeremy O’Friel, CFA around the theme 'The Use of Futures Markets to Reduce Portfolio Volatility'. Mr O'Friel is the Founder & Managing Director of Belmont Investments and is a regular guest on CNBC Asia. The event was held on the 7<sup>th</sup> of November at Voila Bagatelle, where more than 55 attendees, hailing from both banking and non-banking financial organizations were present. During his presentation, Jeremy demonstrated (by using various examples) that adding managed futures to an investment portfolio could result in a reduction in overall risk. This was followed by an animated question and answer session of high quality.

## **Charter Award Ceremony and End of Year 2016**

The CFASM charter holders numbers spiked by 10 as we welcomed Shakeel Summun, Vij Bheenick, Chetanraj Goindo, Irshad Jackaria, Clinton Madgwick, Ahmed Mamode Ally, Kushwant Mussai, Yashwin Rughooputh, Sebastien Marc and Rudyard Sam Soobaroyen to the existing charter holders during the Charter Award ceremony and Year end dinner held on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2016 at The Westin Turtle Bay Resort & Spa, Balaclava. Our Guest speaker was George Spentzos, CFA – member of the CFA Institute Board of Governors. We had also organised a raffle for members who attended the and the designated lucky winner was Alexandre Bechard. He did win a night stay for two at Le Meridien.

# ACTIVITY REPORT

## **Mock Exam 13 May 2017**

With an aim to help better prepare candidates for the actual exam and to engage with candidates, CFASM conducts a MOCK exam, which by now is a yearly event. Few weeks prior to the exam, candidates can measure for themselves their level of readiness and bolster where lacking. The mock exam, provided by Kaplan Schweser, was conducted in similar conditions as the real exam. The candidates were given the grading and answer key at the end of the exam. This year the mock exam was held on Saturday 13 May 2017 at the Charles Telfair Institute at Moka with a participation of 28 candidates.

## **The Society Leadership Conference 18- 20 May 2017**

The Society Leadership Conference (SLC) was held in Philadelphia between 18th and 20th May 2017. Society leaders from all member societies actively participated in this conference. The theme of the conference was 'Power of the Personal'. In line with the theme, the content was organised into areas such as Knowing your Members and Knowing Yourself. Knowing your Member pathway included sessions on consolidating skills of participants in managing the local society, understanding the strengths and weaknesses, interpretation and inferences from the society data book, board structure and governance, engaging with employers and regulators, or how to coordinate volunteers effectively. The Knowing Yourself pathway has sessions related to enhancing skills of the individuals such as how to make an impactful presentation, media relationship management and other techniques that can help in supporting the activities of local societies. Various themes such as Standards and Advocacy, Members Value, Branding, Credentialing and Women in Investment amongst others were presented by CFA Institute Management and staffs.

# ACTIVITY REPORT

## **70th CFA Institute (CFAI) Annual Conference 21- 24 May 2017**

The 70th CFAI Annual conference was held at the Pennsylvania Convention Center in Philadelphia between 21 to 24 May 2017. Guest speakers at the conference included Nobel Laureate Robert J. Shiller, Founder and former Vanguard CEO Jack Bogle and Richard Thaler, the Charles R. Walgreen Distinguished Service Professor of Behavioral Science and Economics at the Booth School of Business at the University of Chicago. The conference themed 'Sharpen Your Investment Edge' attracted more than 1,900 delegates from over 70 countries. In attendance from CFA Society Mauritius were two delegates: Jessica Ha Shun and Ved Auckaloo.

## **Exam Outreach 03 June 2017**

This year again the CFA exam was held at SVICC, Nousher Sait, Sazia Khodabacksh and Ved Auckaloo and the staffed office were present at the SVICC on the 03rd of June 2017 for the candidate outreach initiative during which a free lunch pack (Veg/Non-Veg) was offered. Many of the candidates expressed their gratitude towards the CFASM for this kind gesture, particularly, as no caterer is available at venue and going out to get lunch is another source of stress during the exam ordeal. There was a good interaction with the candidates, where they discussed the other shortcomings of the venue which have already been relayed to the appropriate persons at CFAI for action. Few suggestions for improvement of lunch distribution were received by email. Our main objective of this initiative was to make candidates feel part of the community, which was amply achieved.

# MANAGING COMMITTEE'S RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

## FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Managing Committee of CFASM is responsible for the integrity of the audited financial statements of the Association and the objectivity of the other items of information presented in these statements:

The MC confirms that, in preparing the audited financial statements, it has:

- Selected suitable accounting policies and applied them consistently;
- Made judgments and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- Kept proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time that the financial position of the Company;
- Safeguarded the assets of the Company by maintaining internal accounting and administrative control systems and procedures; and
- Taken reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

# MANAGING COMMITTEE'S RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

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## SOCIETY FUNDING

The CFA Institute introduced a new funding model for FY2015 based on the Society's membership register as well as the number of candidates enrolled in the CFAI Programs. As before, there is an assessment linkage between the attainment of the SMSS metrics and society funding.

Several other support fundings for specific projects of strategic significance at local, regional or global level are also made available to the Societies. Applications for such funding is evaluated by a panel at CFAI for relevance.

CFASM had already applied for and was awarded \$6800 under the Brand Campaign rolled out worldwide in FY 2017. *The Society had also received \$5750 under the Research Challenge category for FY2017 and will be benefiting from the same for FY2018 as well.*

## DONATIONS

CFASM did not make any donations in this financial year.



# MANAGING COMMITTEE'S RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT

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## MANAGEMENT AGREEMENTS

No management agreement has been entered into by the Association.

## SPONSORSHIP

CFASM sponsored Best Research report of SEM Young Investors Award in this financial year.

## ANNUAL FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The audited financial statements of the Association which appear on Page 33 were approved by the Managing Committee on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2017.



# FINANCIALS



**CFA Society Mauritius**

**Audited Financial Statements**

**For the financial year ended June 30, 2017**



# AUDITORS' REPORT



We have audited the accompanying Statement of Financial Position of CFA Society Mauritius (the “Society”) as at 30 June 2017 and the related statement of Income and Expenditure for the year then ended. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Society’s Managing Committee. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with applicable standards on auditing which require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. An audit includes, examining on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by the Managing Committee, as well as evaluating the overall financial statements presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

# AUDITORS' REPORT

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In our opinion, the financial statements give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Society as at 30 June 2017, and of its financial performance for the year then ended.

## **KINGSTON MARKS**

*Chartered Certified Accountants*

*3 Leoville L'Homme Street*

*Port Louis*

*Mauritius.*

# STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

## CFA SOCIETY MAURITIUS STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2017

	Note	2017 Rs	2016 Rs
<b>ASSETS</b>			
Non-current assets		—	—
<b>Current assets</b>			
Inventories		71,046	79,631
Trade and other receivables	3	108,817	58,449
Cash and cash equivalents	4	4,068,840	3,660,433
		4,248,703	3,798,513
<b>Total Assets</b>		Rs 4,248,703	3,798,513
<b>ACCUMULATED FUND AND LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>Accumulated fund</b>			
At 01 July 2016		3,462,081	2,989,320
Surplus of income over expenditure		633,057	472,761
At 30 June 2017		4,095,138	3,462,081
<b>Current liabilities</b>			
Trade and other payables	5	153,565	336,432
		153,565	336,432
<b>Total accumulated fund and liabilities</b>		Rs 4,248,703	3,798,513

# INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

## CFA SOCIETY MAURITIUS STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

	Note	2017	2016
		Rs	Rs
<b>Income</b>			
Corporate sponsorship		560,000	720,000
Income from functions		40,500	90,000
Grant from CFA Institute	6	1,212,891	1,182,632
Interest received		114,963	56,040
Other Income		14,250	-
		<u>1,942,604</u>	<u>2,048,672</u>
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Annual General Meeting expenses		31,500	33,200
Functions		554,008	1,027,745
Office administration expenses		473,008	421,474
Advertising		211,566	71,829
Audit fees		13,800	13,800
Bank charges		9,225	7,863
Loss on exchange		16,440	-
		<u>1,309,547</u>	<u>1,575,911</u>
<b>Surplus of income over expenditure</b>		Rs 633,057	472,761

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

## 1. General information

CFA Society Mauritius (the “Society”) is an association registered under the Registration of Associations Act 1075. The seat of the Society is at 8 Avenue Dr Ross, Quatre Bornes.

The main object of the Society is to promote the highest level of professional behavior and ethical standard and particularly the CFA Institute Code of Ethics and Standards of Professional Conduct

## 2. Basis of preparation and accounting policies

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the International Financial Reporting Standard issued by the International Accounting Standards Board. They are presented in the Mauritian rupees, the currency units of Mauritius.

### Revenue recognition

- (i) Membership subscriptions are recognized on an accrual basis net of discount.
- (ii) Interest income Interest income is recognised on a time-proportion basis using the effective interest method.

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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### 3. Trade and other receivables

Membership fees in arrears  
Interest receivable  
Other receivables

	2017 Rs	2016 Rs
	22,736	18,731
	86,081	11,718
	-	28,000
Rs	----- 108,817	----- 58,449

### 4. Cash and cash equivalents

Term deposits  
Savings account  
Current account

	-	1,500,000
	1,761,233	2,160,333
	2,307,607	100
Rs	----- 4,068,840	----- 3,660,433

### 5. Trade and other payables

CFA Institute grant received in advance  
Other payables

	-	239,355
	153,565	97,077
Rs	----- 153,565	----- 336,432

### 6. Grant from CFA Institute

Membership subscriptions  
Operational fund  
Growth fund

	69,568	84,031
	683,801	639,343
	459,522	459,258
Rs	----- 1,212,891	----- 1,182,632

# NOTICE TO MEMBERS

## Notice to Members of CFA Society Mauritius

Notice is hereby given that the Seventeenth Annual General Meeting of **CFA Society Mauritius (CFASM)** will be held on **Friday 15 September 2017** at Flying Dodo, Bagatelle at 18h00 to transact the following business:

### 18h00 - Annual General Meeting (AGM)

1. Reading and Approval of minutes of last AGM
2. President's Report for the year ended 30 June 2017
3. Presentation and Approval of Accounts for the year ended 30 June 2017
4. Presentation and Approval of Estimates of Expenditure
5. Special Resolution: To consider and approve amendments to the Rules of CFA Society Mauritius dated 12 Oct 2012 as per Annex I.

Members are requested to confirm their presence with the Secretary via email ([secretary@mauritius.cfasociety.org](mailto:secretary@mauritius.cfasociety.org)) by Wednesday 13 September 2017 (18h00). Proxy form can also be requested from the Secretary. Please note that in order to be effective, completed and signed proxy forms must reach the Secretary via email by Wednesday 13 September 2017 (18h00).

Members can request a copy of the rules of CFASM by email from the Secretary.

**Vedprakash Auckaloo**  
**Secretary**  
**CFA Society Mauritius**  
**Tel : 5250 8683**

**25 August 2017**

[www.cfasociety.org/mauritius](http://www.cfasociety.org/mauritius)

# PROXY FORM

For seventeenth Annual General Meeting

I \_\_\_\_\_

being a member of CFA Society Mauritius (“CFASM”) hereby appoint

Mr/ Ms/ Miss \_\_\_\_\_

as my proxy to vote for me and on my behalf at the sixteenth Annual General Meeting of CFASM to be held on Friday 15 September 2017 (18h00) and at any adjournment thereof.

Signature : \_\_\_\_\_

Name : \_\_\_\_\_

Date : \_\_\_\_\_

In order to be effective, completed and signed proxy forms must reach the secretary, Vedprakash Auckaloo via email ([secretary@mauritius.cfasociety.org](mailto:secretary@mauritius.cfasociety.org)) by Wednesday 13 September 2017 (18h00)

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