Invitation for Expression of Interest
for the appointment of a Head of Horse Racing Division
at the Gambling Regulatory Authority

Reference No: GRA/EOI/3/2021

1. Introduction

The Gambling Regulatory Authority is inviting Expression of Interest (EOI) from prospective candidates (local and international) willing to work for the Gambling Regulatory Authority as the Head of Horse Racing Division.

2. Background

2.1 The Gambling Regulatory Authority is responsible for regulating all betting and gambling activities in Mauritius. Its role is to deliver prompt and effective service to its stakeholders, ensure that gambling activities are conducted in a fair and transparent manner, and foster responsible gambling in order to minimise harm caused by gambling.

2.2 In order to reinforce its willingness to acquire internal expertise, the Authority has created, amongst others, several new division/units namely legal, communications, Integrity & Compliance and Horse Racing. The Gambling Regulatory Authority is planning to reinforce the Horse Racing Division to better monitor and control and to be well advised on matters related to the local and international horse racing industry so that the Division meets the challenges of the evolving industry.

3. Scope of Duties/ Responsibilities

3.1 The Head of Horse Racing Division will be responsible to the Chief Executive of the GRA for the following duties:-
(i) To review the Horse Racing Division in consultation with the Chief Executive and make recommendations for improvement and reinforcement on the work processes of the Division.

(ii) To be in charge of the organisation of work for the Horse Racing Division in consultation with the Chief Executive.

(iii) To ensure the horse-racing organiser effectively discharges its responsibilities regarding the organisation of horse-racing in all its aspects.

(iv) To initiate, develop and implement strategies considered conducive to the development of the horse-racing industry and the protection of public interest as it relates to the industry.

(v) To review as and when required, the “MTC Rules of Racing” and racing guidelines and make recommendations thereto.

(vi) To ensure that there is transparency and good governance in the organisation of horse-racing in Mauritius.

(vii) To advise the Chief Executive on relevant Directives to be implemented and any other matter relating to horse-racing industry

(viii) To prepare analytical reports and provide information and guidelines concerning the various races, benchmarks, handicapping and horse ratings as and when required.

(ix) To determine and advise the Chief Executive and the Gambling Regulatory Board as to the frequency, number of race meetings in a year, race makeup and the number of races at a race meeting.

(x) To investigate on suspicious betting trends, racing malpractices, doping or any contravention of the Gambling Regulatory Authority Act.

(xi) To swear affidavit, attend to court cases and represent the Authority as and when required.
(xii) To identify and track illegal activities in connection with the horse racing industry and coordinate with the Police des Jeux for appropriate actions as well as the detection of fraud in the industry.

(xiii) To be responsible for the training and development of the officers appointed in the Division.

(xiv) To review the current betting control system and recommend any changes thereto.

(xv) To perform such other duties directly related to the main duties listed above or related to the delivery of the output and results expected from the Chief Executive or Gambling Regulatory Board in the roles ascribed to him.

4. **Selection criteria**

4.1 Candidate should have a minimum of 15 years’ experience in the horse racing industry. Work experience as racing steward including Chairperson/membership of racing panels would be an advantage;

4.2 Eligible candidates should possess extensive equine expertise.

5. **Submission of Expression of Interest**

5.1 Candidates are requested to submit their full curriculum vitae along with photocopies of their National Identity Card/ Passport, Birth Certificate, Qualifications, Testimonies and all other supporting documents that might be relevant to the offer.

5.2 Interested applicants who wish to be considered for selection are requested to duly fill the prescribed Application Form available below.

5.3 All documents mentioned at paragraphs 5.1 and 5.2 should be in a sealed envelope clearly marked ‘Expression of Interest for the appointment of a Head of Horse Racing Division – Reference No: GRA/EOI/3/2021’ and addressed to the Officer-in-
Charge of the Gambling Regulatory Authority, Level 12, Newton Tower, Sir William Newton Street, Port Louis so as to reach him at the aforementioned address on or before the 15th of February 2021 up to 13.00hrs (local time). Electronic submission shall not be accepted.

5.4 Any late submission of EOI shall be rejected. The EOI will be opened at the address given above at 13.00hrs on the same day i.e 15th of February 2021. EOIs are not transferable.

5.5 The Gambling Regulatory Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any proposal and annul the Expression of Interest exercise without thereby incurring any liability whatsoever to any interested applicant.

5.6 Requests for clarification or additional information on the EOI should be addressed to the Gambling Regulatory Authority at the address below or the following e-mail address: a.ponnu sawmy@gra.intnet.mu

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14 January 2021
APPLICATION FORM

All parties applying for the Expression of Interest (Ref No: GRA/EOI/3/2021) are requested to complete this form and submit it along with documents mentioned at paragraph 5.1.

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Declaration

I, ................................................................ the undersigned applicant, declare that the particulars in this application are true and accurate and that I have not wilfully suppressed any material fact.

Signature of Applicant: ........................................... Date: ..............................