

African Regional Cooperative Agreement for Research, Development and Training Related to Nuclear Science and Technology (AFRA)

About AFRA (Mauritius)

Mauritius is a Member of African Regional Cooperative Agreement for Research, Development and Training Related to Nuclear Science and Technology (AFRA) since 1990, an inter-governmental Agreement.

Through a regional approach to sustainable development, AFRA seeks to:-

- (a) maximize the utilization of available infrastructure and expertise in Africa in the field of nuclear science and technology;
- (b) accelerate moves toward regional self-sufficiency in peaceful applications of nuclear techniques by establishing and strengthening necessary infrastructure, coordinating intellectual and physical resources and disseminating innovative methods and practices cost-efficiently; and
- (c) deepen the commitment of member states to the application of nuclear science and technology for their socio-economic development through sustained funding.

Presently, Mauritius is participating in the AFRA projects. Under the AFRA projects, Mauritius has acquired significant expertise in the fields of:-

- Sterile Insect Techniques
- Nuclear Medicine
- Food Security for Improved crops using Mutation Breeding.

Contribution to AFRA

Mauritius pays regularly its annual contribution to the AFRA Fund.