





## Background

Dissemination of research findings is an important component of the research process. In this context, since 2007, the University of Mauritius (UoM) has been organising almost every year the Research Week with the aim of providing a forum to researchers in all fields of study to present their work and achievements.

As customary, the Research Week remains exclusively the most important disseminating research platform which allows for most significant involvement, dedication and interaction of academics and students across the different faculties and centres on campus.

The Research Week aims at providing a consolidated platform for staff, students and researchers to interact and carry out peer discussions on ongoing and emerging research issues. The main objective of the Research Week is, therefore, to showcase research being undertaken at the University which, to a large extent, is in line with national interest.

This year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the event is being organised on a virtual mode. Moreover, it will be theme-based and organised under two (2) main Thrusts, namely:

1. Interdisciplinary and Transdisciplinary Research to address the 17 Sustainable Development Goals adopted by the United Nations; and
2. Industry-UoM Research Collaboration.



## Opening Programme

- 09.30 - 09.35 Welcome Address by  
**Prof Sanjeev Kumar Sobhee,**  
*Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Academia), University of Mauritius*
- 09.35 - 09.45 Address by  
**Prof Dhanjay Jhurry, CSK, GOSK, FAAS**  
*Vice-Chancellor, University of Mauritius*
- 09.45 - 10.15 Keynote Address on “**Meeting the Challenge of Inclusive Development in Mauritius**” by  
**Dr Sen Narrainen,**  
*Senior Economic Adviser, Ministry of Finance, Economic Planning & Development*
- 10.15 - 10.20 Opening of UoM Virtual Research Week 2020 by  
**Mr Vedanand Bhurosah,**  
*Ag Director, Tertiary Education and Scientific Research Division, Ministry of Education, Tertiary Education, Science & Technology*
- 10.20 – 10.25 Vote of Thanks by  
**Assoc Prof Yannick Tangman,**  
*Chairperson, UoM Virtual Research Week 2020 Organising Committee*

### *Refreshments*



## Brief Profile

*Dr Sen Narrainen* is a Senior Economic Adviser at the Ministry of Finance and Economic Development (MOFED), from 2003 to date. He was a Senior Economic Adviser to the Prime Minister of Mauritius between 1996 and 2000 and an Economic Adviser at MOFED between 1989 and 1996. Prior to 1989, he was Assistant Professor of Economics at the University of Winnipeg and at the University of Manitoba in Canada. He holds a PhD in Economics from McGill University, Montreal, Canada, and specialised in Monetary Theory and Policy. He is a member of the MPC since March 2015 and a member of the Chief Economists of Africa network of the World Bank since 2018.





## Virtual Sessions

### 19 – 23 October 2020

Date	Themes	Venue
<b>Monday</b> <b>19 October 2020</b>	Industry-UoM Research Collaboration	LT1/LT2
<b>Tuesday</b> <b>20 October 2020</b>	Work and Economic Growth Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure Global Partnership and Sustainable Development Finance Quality Education and Lifelong Learning	LT1/LT2
<b>Wednesday</b> <b>21 October 2020</b>	Sustainable Energy Marine Conservation Climate Change Sustainable Cities and Communities Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation	LT1/LT2
<b>Thursday</b> <b>22 October 2020</b>	Health and Well-Being Sustainable Water Management and Sanitation	LT1/LT2
<b>Friday</b> <b>23 October 2020</b>	Hunger and Poverty Eradication Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security Sustainable Consumption and Production Reduced Inequalities Gender Equality Peace and Justice	LT1/LT2