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# SOCOTEC CERTIFICATION INTERNATIONAL IS DEVELOPING A CERTIFICATION ACTIVITY IN THE INDIAN OCEAN'S ISLANDS: MAURITIUS, REUNION ISLAND, MADAGASCAR, AND MAYOTTE.

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SOCOTEC Group, a major player in Testing, Inspection, and Certification (TIC) continues its development in the Indian Ocean with the establishment of a certification activity through an exclusive partnership between its subsidiary SOCOTEC Certification France with ACTBIS and RUNCERT.

SOCOTEC Certification France, is a specialist in the certification of companies, the certification of persons, and the certification of services. As an independent trustworthy third party, the certification body offers certifications based on international ISO standards (9001, 14001, 45001, 50001, BIM, etc.), as well as on specific reference systems for any sector of activity. SOCOTEC Certification International in the Indian Ocean offers a range of certifications covering many areas including quality, environment, energy, Qualiopi, CSR, etc., and relies on a team of local experts who are familiar with the regulatory and normative requirements, as well as the economic and social features of the region. SOCOTEC Certification International has also set up a partnership with ACTBIS and RUNCERT in order to strengthen its network of qualified and local auditors.

#### For Mauritius, SOCOTEC Certification International works with ACTBIS:

Present in Mauritius and Madagascar since 2011, ACTBIS has succeeded to dig on the island. Its objective is to continue to differentiate itself by bringing a new approach to certification, based on high value-added audits for the client, which can go as far as developing customized reference systems.

#### For Reunion Island, SOCOTEC Certification International works with RUNCERT:

Present in Reunion since 2017, RUNCERT is the only company based on/in the Department to offer certification of/in Management Systems. This category of certification is among the most committed steps for a customer who reviews in depth its functioning, its operations, and its organization, in order to obtain a reinforced certification after a cycle of audit that can go up to 3 years.

For Xavier Daniel, manager of SOCOTEC Certification International: "Thanks to our international network and our local bases, we have a network of auditors who are experts in their field and have the necessary approvals to carry out their functions in an international context, particularly in the Indian Ocean. We are proud to provide certification solutions in territories that are developing rapidly and whose growth requires an independent thirdparty auditor to further strengthen the quality issues entrusted to us by public and private companies in Reunion, Madagascar, Mauritius and Mayotte".

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### **ABOUT SOCOTEC**

SOCOTEC Certification International is a subsidiary of the SOCOTEC group. Headed by Xavier Daniel, SCI provides management system assessments and accredited ISO certification services to organizations around the world since 1995.

Accompanying companies for 70 years, the SOCOTEC Group, chaired by Hervé Montjotin, has built its reputation as an independent trusted third party in the fields of risk management, compliance, safety, health and environment in the Building, Real Estate, Infrastructure and Industry sectors. As a guarantor of the integrity, sustainability and performance of built assets, SOCOTEC is developing a range of services in testing, inspection and certification, from technical control, the group's historical experision to constitution and risk management sonicos related to construction infrastructure

expertise, to technical consulting and risk management services related to construction, infrastructure and industrial facilities. Its expertise enables it to support its private and public sector clients throughout the life cycle of their buildings and equipments in order to strengthen their sustainability.

No. 1 in construction inspection in France, No. 1 in geotechnical services and construction quality control in the United Kingdom and Italy, the group is a major player in TIC (Testing Inspection Certification) services in the Construction and Infrastructure sectors in Europe and the United States. The SOCOTEC group has consolidated revenues of €1 billion in 2021 (50% of which generated outside France) with 200,000 clients. With a presence in 25 countries and 10,000 employees, it has more than 250 external accreditations, enabling it to act as a trusted third party in many projects.

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