

PROJECT SUMMARY

Ref No.: MRIC-PoIGS-2001 **Title:** ABC-SWBP/MRIC Pole of Innovation for innovative

seaweed-based products

Hosting Institution: ABC Group/ S.W. Bio Processors Ltd

Collaborating Institutions/Companies/Association(s):

1. University of Mauritius

- 2. Food and Agricultural Research and Extension Institute (FAREI)
- 3. Seaweed Multipurpose Cooperative Society (Rodrigues)

4. L'Association Brigoudou (France)

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TECHNICAL ABSTRACT

The aim of this pole of innovation is to develop the seaweed industry on a commercial scale in Mauritius. For the Mauritian economy, this will mean the creation of a new sector of business, increased exports and additional revenue. Out of this pole, there will be a raised awareness of the availability, nutritional value and medicinal qualities of seaweeds in the overall Mauritian population and the benefits to the country is the introduction of an untapped local food source that contributes to the country's food security, the creation of jobs and healthier people, especially the young.

Key Words: Seaweed Industry, Innovation, Medicinal Qualities, Local Food Source, Food Security, Creation of Jobs