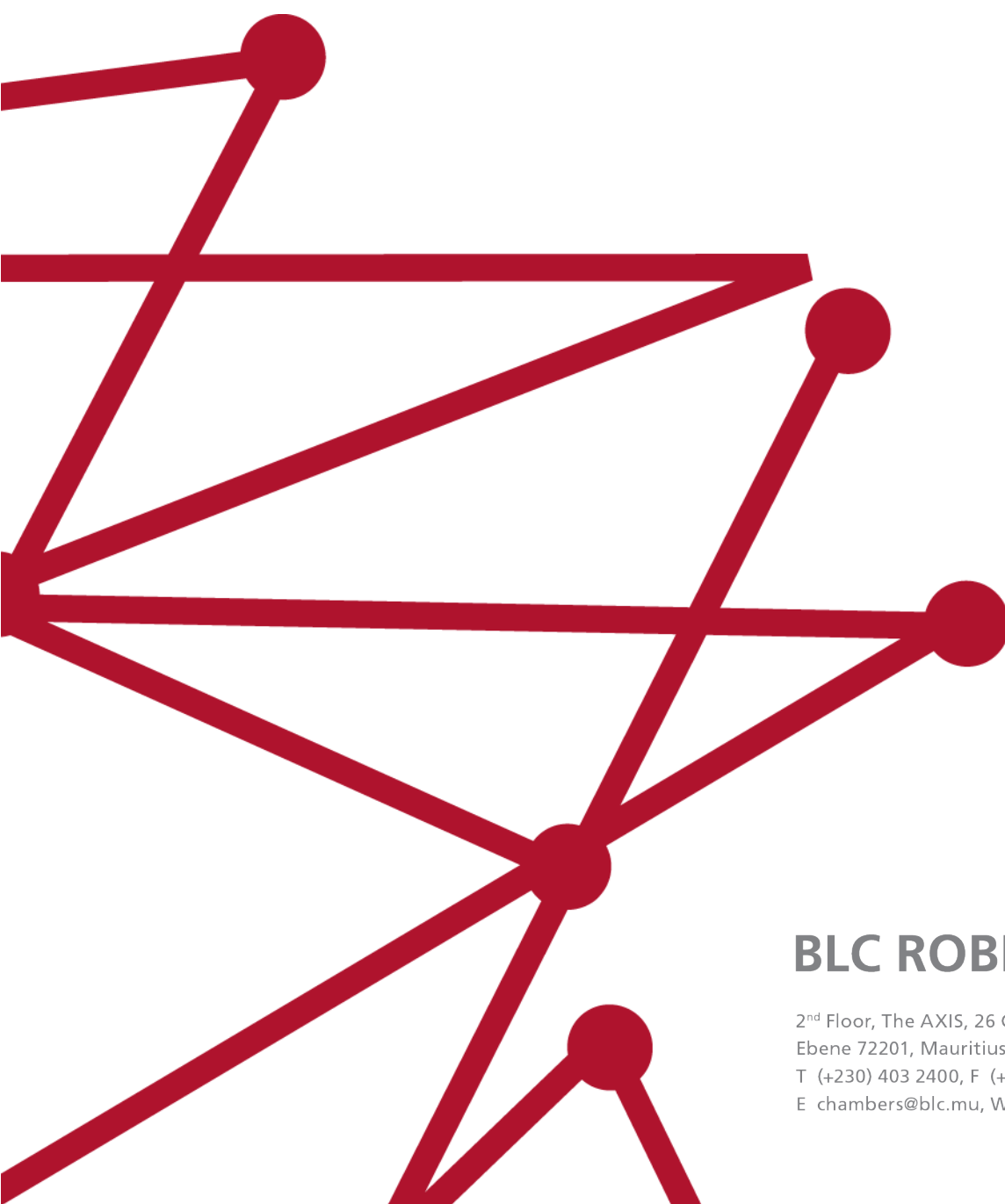


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BACKGROUND

Yanish Cheetoo is an Associate in the Financial Services and Capital Market practice area and advises primarily on the establishment of financial services providers, institutions and regulatory compliance matters.

Yanish is mostly involved in providing legal assistance in the setting up of fund structures, ranging from drafting and reviewing legal documentation relevant for funds' operations to assisting in the issuance of legal opinions to investors.

Prior to joining BLC Robert & Associates, Yanish was a litigator at a reputable law firm in Mauritius and appeared before most levels of the Mauritian Bar. His experience as litigator spanned a broad range of civil, criminal and family matters.

MEMBERSHIPS IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

- Mauritius Bar Association
- Honourable Society of Middle Temple

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

2019	Postgraduate diploma in Professional Training for the Bar, BPP University
2016	Master of Laws in Financial and Commercial Law, University of Central Lancashire
2014	Bachelor of Laws with Honours, Kingston University

CAREER SUMMARY

2023 – Date	Associate, BLC Robert & Associates
2021 – 2023	Barrister-at-Law, Lex Chambers

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Financial services regulations
- Investment funds
- AML/CFT compliance
- Dispute resolution

TOP MATTERS

- Acted as the legal advisor for LeapFrog Emerging Consumer Fund IV, the fourth fund of the impact investing manager, Leapfrog, targeting investments in financial inclusion and health in Africa and Asia.
- Acted as the legal advisor for a climate-aligned investment debt fund in Africa, with a focus on renewable power, addressing health, food and water scarcity in Africa and promoting green transportation, in closing investors including development finance institutions with an aggregate commitment of USD 114.5 million.
- Assisted a fund by issuing a capacity and authority legal opinion required in connection with a facility transaction worth around EUR 40 million regarding the development, construction, operation and maintenance of a battery storage plant, a solar photovoltaic plant and the construction of interconnection facilities in the Republic of Senegal.
- Acted as legal advisor for a private equity fund, targeting a total commitment of USD 350 million (hard cap of USD 400 million), with a primary focus on harnessing the rise of digital technologies and innovation in North Africa.
- Currently advising a public company, authorized to operate as a collective investment scheme and further categorized as an expert fund, on the winding up steps as required under Mauritian law.
- Acted as legal advisor in the setting up of an investment holding limited partnership, with a focus in tech & tech enabled companies on the African continent (pan-African thesis), and in the closing of a subsidiary of an international economic development organization.
- Assisted in the drafting of various anti-money laundering manuals/policies for various funds and fund managers to ensure compliance with anti-money laundering regulations of Mauritius.
- Advised on the inward-domiciliation process of a closed-ended private investment fund.
- Assisted with the closings of various private equity funds in Mauritius.