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The Financial Services Commission, Mauritius ("FSC") is pleased to announce the publication of the third study of its Policy Research series. The study is entitled <u>"The State and Future of Social Impact Investments in Mauritius"</u>.

The study provides the building blocks of the social investment market in Mauritius, namely by analysing the main actors on the demand and supply sides, the intermediaries and instruments, as well as, the enabling environment fostering such investments.

This contextual analysis of the landscape of social investment in Mauritius has accordingly allowed the authors to establish that information asymmetries, fragmented demand and supply, the complexity of deal structuring, unclear definition of the term social investment, as well as, high transaction costs have mainly acted as barriers to the development of the social investment market in Mauritius.

The study concludes on a series of policy recommendations in relation to awareness and access to reliable information; capacity building and training; financial and fiscal instruments; public sector procurement and legislation. These policy recommendations can be implemented in the short, medium and long term, according to the authors to boost up this niche market for the future.

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