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Prior to joining the Mauritius Research and Innovation Council (**MRIC**) as **Executive Director**, Professor Theeshan BAHORUN *PhD GOSK* occupied a **Chair** position in Applied Biochemistry at the **University of Mauritius**. He was **National Research Chair** and **National Research and Innovation Chair** from 2012 to 2018 at **MRIC**.

He was awarded a **Doctorat Sciences de la Vie et de la Santé** in Biotechnology from the **University of Lille I (France)**. He also holds a DEA **Génie Enzymatique, Bioconversion et Microbiologie** from **Université de Technologies de Compiègne (France)**, a **Maîtrise in Biochimie Alimentaire** and a **Licence in Biochemistry** from University of Lille I (France).

He has more than **25 years** of experience in biomedical research. He has been the **Chairman** of the **Food and Agricultural Research Council** and **President** of the Board of Governors of the **University of Technology, Mauritius (UTM)**. He is currently the **President** of the Board of Directors of **Polytechnics Mauritius**, the **President** of the **Society for Free Radical Research Africa (SFRR-Africa)** and **Vice President** of the **International Association of Medical and Biomedical Researchers (IAMBR)**. He is on several journal editorial boards and is the author/co-author of over **250 peer reviewed papers** and communications.

In 2010 he was awarded the **CV Raman Senior Fellowship** for African researchers by the **Government of India**. In 2013 he has been conferred the title of **Fellow** of the **Mauritius Academy of Science and Technology** and received the **Best Mauritian Scientist Award**. He has been elevated to the rank of **Grand Officer of the Star and Key of the Indian Ocean (GOSK)** on 12 March 2015 by the President of the Republic upon recommendation by the Prime Minister of Republic of Mauritius for his contribution to **Scientific Research and Education**. In 2018 he was appointed as **Focal Point** for the **QualiREG Agri-Food** scientific and technical network in Mauritius. In 2019 he received the **Excellent Educationist** and **Outstanding Scientist** awards by the **Chhatrapati Shahu Ji Maharaj University, Kanpur**.

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