

## 2<sup>nd</sup> EU Indo-Pacific Forum Stockholm, Sweden, 13 May 2023

The Second EU Indo-Pacific Ministerial Forum, co-hosted by Sweden and the European Union, was held on Saturday 13 May 2023 in Stockholm. The Forum was co-chaired by Mr Josep Borrell, EU High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy/Vice-President of the European Commission, and Mr Tobias Billström, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sweden.

H.E. Mr. Girish Nunkoo, High Commissioner of Mauritius to the United Kingdom and accredited as Ambassador to Sweden represented Mauritius at the Forum.

Discussions centred around three core themes: (i) "Building more sustainable and inclusive prosperity together", (ii)"Pursuing green opportunities and overcoming global challenges in cooperation " and (iii)"Facing jointly the evolving security landscape in the Indo-Pacific". The Forum further built on the first meeting held in Paris in 2022 and focussed on enhancing partnerships between the EU and the Indo-Pacific, promoting regional peace and security, stability and shared prosperity, and shaping a collective vision for the future of the Indo-Pacific region. The outcome document of the Forum was a Press Release by the Co-Chairs.

Climate change, energy security, protection, restoration and conservation of biodiversity, maritime security, cybersecurity, counterterrorism, crisis management, hybrid threats, transnational crime and global economic recovery and the need to promote greater economic cooperation were at the centre of discussions.

The EU reaffirmed its commitment to reinforce its engagement with the Indo-Pacific region and to continue cooperation with the region in the fields of ocean governance, green transition, human security, digital partnerships, connectivity and security and defence, amongst others.

In the margins of the Forum, High Commissioner Girish Nunkoo held bilateral exchanges with the Ministers of Foreign Affairs of Sweden, France, India, Singapore, Fiji, Maldives and the Secretary General of IORA.

High Commissioner Girish Nunkoo met with senior officials of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Sweden to discuss bilateral cooperation between Mauritius and Sweden in the fields of Education, Health, Green Energy and Innovation, amongst others. He also called on the Secretary General of International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA), Dr. Kevin Casas-Zamora, who is expected to travel to Mauritius on an official visit by the end of May 2023.

London, 18 May 2023

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# Roundtable 3: Facing jointly the evolving security landscape in the IndoPacific.



Co-Moderators of Round Table 3: Hon. Bogdan Aurescu, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Romania (Centre) and Filimon Manoni, Deputy Secretary General, Pacific Island Forum (Right)

# <u>Mauritius intervention in the Roundtable 3</u>



H.E Girish Nunkoo intervening in the roundtable

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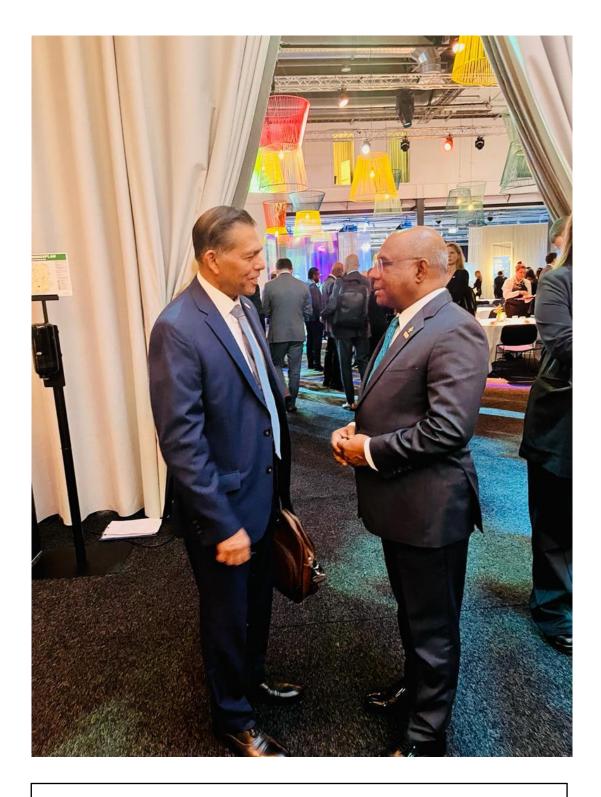
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Minister of External Affairs of India, Dr. Subrahmanyam Jaishankar



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