

# Strong support as Atterbury develops Mall of Mauritius

SOUTH African property investment and development company Atterbury is developing Mauritius's first regional shopping centre, bringing a mix of international, South African and local Mauritian retail.

Bagatelle-Mall of Mauritius, is Atterbury's first big offshore development, and has received strong support from retailers wanting to access Africa's top-rated country in the World Bank's Doing Business 2010 report. The 40 000m<sup>2</sup> mall is scheduled to open towards the end of September and is already 85% let.

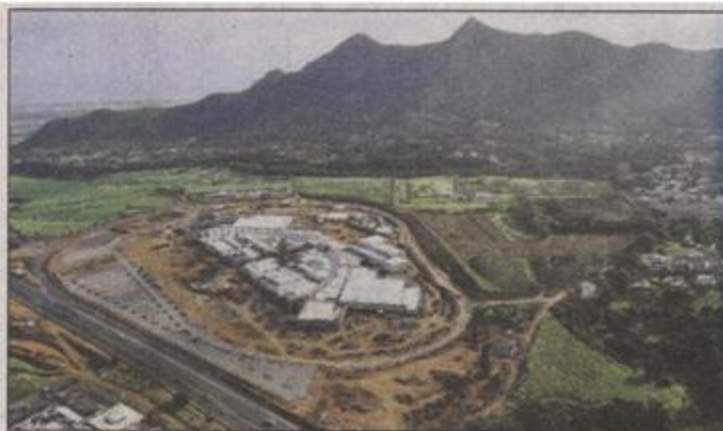
Atterbury Group CEO Louis van der Watt says the Bagatelle precinct will ultimately include Mall of Mauritius, a motor city, a 100-room business hotel, offices, a light industrial and a residential area, all interlinked with strong synergy in a mixed-use environment. "Bagatelle-Mall of Mauritius, meets Atterbury's strategic criteria of investing in a stable offshore economy, while partnering with well-established local partners," Mr van der Watt says.

The multi-use development is a collaboration with Mauritius's ENL Group.

Atterbury Property Group was founded in 1994 and has built a sound reputation for delivering real-estate developments across all commercial property sectors.

"Retailer and consumer demand, together with a budding local economy, an excellent location and superb access are all factors driving this development," Mr van der Watt says.

Featuring an extensive mix of about 140 stores, the mall is ex-



**ISLAND MALL:** Bagatelle-Mall of Mauritius, is being developed by South African property company Atterbury.

pected to provide a diverse and comprehensive overall retail experience. It will also include six cinema theatres and a food court with a mix of contemporary restaurants, a children's play area and a skate park.

Cobus van Heerden, director of retail for Atterbury Property Developments says South African-based retail giants Pick n Pay, Woolworths and Food Lovers Market have been confirmed at Bagatelle-Mall of Mauritius.

Also joining local retailers are international retailers such as Hugo Boss, Guess, Quicksilver, Aldo and Nike. Fashion retailers Truworths, Nine West, Bata and Identity, as well as popular restaurants Ocean Basket, Nando's, KFC, Mugg & Bean, Debonairs, Steers and Fishways will all be represented in the mall.

Ensuring local flair, Bagatelle-Mall of Mauritius will boast a significant number of well-known

local Mauritian retailers including Kaddy Plus, Courts, Galaxy, Mozouzou, Zea, Book Court, Citi Sport, All Sport, Baobab, Feng Shui, Caunhye Bijoux, Ripcurl, Cash & Carry, DCL Communication, Fresh Step, Olive & Salad Bar and Taste of Asia.

The mall has a Mauritian architectural style to reflect and deliver an authentic island experience. SA's Boogertman + Partners Architects have designed the shopping centre in association with local partners. "The latest design principles have been incorporated for this enclosed single-storey, fully air-conditioned shopping centre, which includes ample, convenient on-grade parking," says Mr van Heerden.

Mauritius was recently rated among the top 25 global offshore platforms, with a local population of 1.4-million and a growing number of tourist arrivals already at about 1-million a year.