Having grown through strict reforms, enterprising Seychelles is making a splash on the global stage as it shows there is much more to the paradise island than natural luxuries.

With excellent soil and our logic, a strategic global location and a time zone that coincides perfectly with the world’s major financial centers east and west, Seychelles is a paradise for businesses looking to invest in a sustainable environment.

A group of beautiful islands in the Indian Ocean, Seychelles offers the perfect holiday for those who want to combine luxury with peace and quiet, although there are plenty of attractions for those looking for something new every time.

Chosen as the honeymoon destination for Princess Anne and Mark Phillips in 1973, then as the wedding venue for the Duke and Duchess of Cambridge, Prince William and Kate — the island proves once again that its tropical vacation formula is it for a lifetime.

“The world’s largest nation, it is only a short flight from Europe, Africa and Asia. To be part of the Common Market to Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) and the European Union is something more active.”

This also means that our tourism industry is now thriving. “There are always a couple of things that are changing, so you have to adapt to those changes.”

President James Alix Michel

President James Alix Michel, Governor of the Central Bank of Seychelles, is of the opinion that the tourism industry is now thriving. “We have one of the largest tuna factories in the world, and without the boats, there would be no tuna factory. The tuna factory is a source of employment that we cannot afford to lose. It is not only about fishing, it is about food security.

The SFA has also strengthened its commitment to local fisheries and has already supported the upgrading of their vessels and encouraged them to begin long-lining fishing. This effectively distributes wealth and creates investment opportunities for local fishermen.

In tandem with these initiatives is the conscious effort to enhance sustainable fishing practices. Seychelles is a member of COMESA and the Southern African Development Community (SADC) and is determined to ensure that its marine resources are used in a sustainable manner. The SFA has been laying the groundwork to establish a fisheries management plan and to implement measures to control fishing activities. The SFA has also been working with the International Maritime Organization (IMO) to develop a regime for the management of fisheries resources.

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