(Left to Right: Mr. Thomas Drechsler – CEO Aviareps - PR Rep of MTPA, Mrs. Anke Sponer – General Manager Aviareps – PR rep of MTPA, Mr. Jörn Krausser Head of Indian Ocean Product Dertour, Hon. Mr. Michael Sik Yuen – Minister of Tourism and Leisure, Mr. Kevin Kiogh – Dertour, Dr. Karl Mootoosamy director MTPA, H.E Mrs. Sarojini Seeneevassen-Frers, Ambassador of Mauritius in Berlin)

Mauritius is once again reaping the fruits of its labour. The Mauritius Destination has been awarded the **No. 1 Honeymoon Destination Worldwide** by Dertour.

Dertour belongs to the REWE group which is Germany's number 2 tour operator after TUI. Dertour offers various brands under one roof, and targets all clients from FITs, groups, incentive business as well as sports and culture trips.

At the ITB on Wednesday, the Minister of Tourism and Leisure, Hon. Michael Sik Yuen and the Director of the MTPA, DR. Karl Mootoosamy officially received the award document by the Senior Vice President of the REWE Group, Mr. Kevin Keogh and the Director of the MTPA-Germany, Mr. Jorn Krausser.

The Minister of Tourism and Leisure Hon. Michael Sik Yuen took the opportunity to thank the tourism industry stakeholders. *"This Award comes at an opportune time when we are focusing and exploiting the honeymoon segment in the German and other key markets such as Europe, India and China."*

For Dertour, Mauritius remains the exclusive destination when it comes to the honeymoon segment. After several promotional campaigns in Germany, the tourist arrival figures showed an increase in couples coming to Mauritius.