



## **DR JIMMIE RODGERS**

### **Director-General, Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC)**

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In January 2006, Dr Jimmie Rodgers took over the leadership of the Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC). Dr Rodgers, who comes from Solomon Islands, was originally a medical practitioner specialising in anaesthesia. He also holds a master's degree in health administration. Before joining SPC in 1996 as Director of Programmes in Noumea, he held the position of Under-Secretary for Health Care in the Solomon Islands' Ministry of Health and Medical Services.

Dr Rodgers moved to Fiji in 1998 to head SPC's Suva Regional Office as Deputy Director-General. He was named Senior Deputy Director-General in 2000, a position he held up to the time of his appointment as Director-General.

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