



**FORTY-SIXTH MEETING OF THE
COMMITTEE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF GOVERNMENTS AND ADMINISTRATIONS**
(Noumea, New Caledonia, 28-30 June 2016)

AGENDA ITEM 7 – CRGA 47: VENUE, CHAIRPERSON AND VICE-CHAIRPERSON

(Paper presented by the secretariat)

Venue and Dates

1. The CRGA Rules of Procedure state that CRGA should meet once a year at SPC headquarters in Noumea, except in the years when the Conference is convened, when CRGA meets immediately before the Conference at a venue chosen by the members of the Pacific Community.
2. In accordance with these rules, the venue for CRGA 47 in 2017 will be Noumea, New Caledonia.

Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

3. The CRGA Rules of Procedure state that Representatives of Governments and Administrations shall provide a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson for each meeting, to be chosen in alphabetical order of member countries and territories.
4. The rules further state, 'In the event that the Chairperson is unable to attend the meeting, the Vice-Chairperson shall assume the Chair. The Vice-Chairperson shall become the Chairperson of the succeeding meeting'.
5. Since 2000, CRGA Meeting Chairpersons and Vice-Chairpersons have been provided by the following members:

2000	30	Polynésie française	Samoa
2001	31	Samoa	Solomon Islands
2002	32	Solomon Islands	Tokelau
2003	33	Tokelau	Tonga
2004	34	Tonga	Tuvalu
2005	35	Tuvalu	Vanuatu
2006	36	Vanuatu	Wallis and Futuna
2007	37	Wallis and Futuna	American Samoa
2008	38	American Samoa	Australia
2009	39	Australia	Cook Islands
2010	40	Cook Islands	Federated States of Micronesia
2011	41	Federated States of Micronesia	Fiji

2012	42	France	Kiribati
2013	43	Kiribati	Marshall Islands
2014	44	Marshall Islands	Nauru
2015	45	Nauru	New Caledonia
2016	46	New Caledonia	New Zealand
2017	47	New Zealand	Niue

- 6 Following the long-standing procedure for appointing the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson, the Chairperson for the 47th meeting of CRGA will be provided by New Zealand and the Vice-Chairperson by Niue.

Recommendations

7. CRGA is invited to note that:
- i. the venue for the meeting of CRGA 47 in 2017 will be Noumea, New Caledonia, on the proposed dates of 26–30 June 2017; and
 - ii. the Chairperson for CRGA 47 will be provided by New Zealand and the Vice-Chairperson by Niue.
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