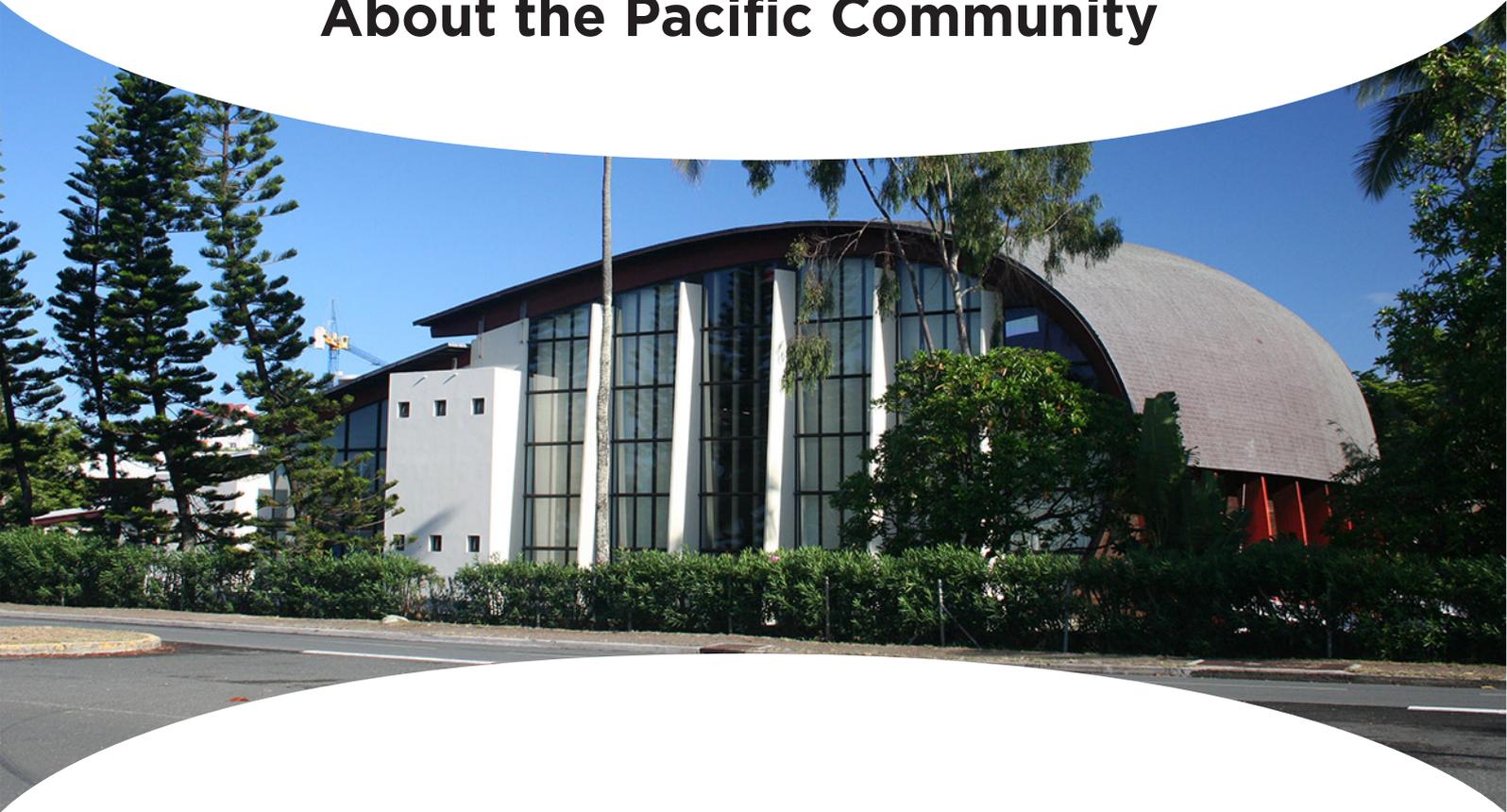


## About the Pacific Community



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The **Pacific Community** has been proudly serving the Pacific since 1947 as its principal scientific and technical organization. It works to improve the well-being of the people in the Pacific through the effective and innovative application of science and knowledge, guided by a deep understanding of Pacific island contexts and cultures.



The **Pacific Community** is an international development organization that is governed by its 26 country and territory members. It works in more than 20 sectors in pursuit of sustainable development to benefit people in the Pacific, and it is known for its knowledge and innovation

in areas such as fisheries science, public health surveillance, geoscience and the conservation of plant genetic resources for food and agriculture.

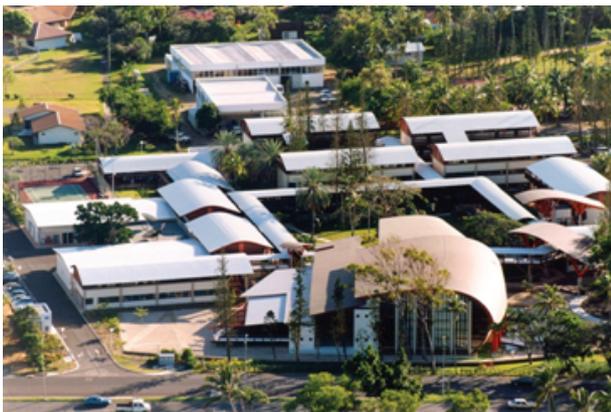
Much of the **Pacific Community's** focus is on cross-cutting issues, such as climate change, disaster risk management, food security, gender equality, human rights, non-communicable diseases and youth employment. Using a multisector approach to respond to members' development priorities, the organization draws on skills and capabilities from the region and internationally and supports the empowerment of Pacific communities and the sharing of expertise and skills between countries and territories.



The **Pacific Community's** Language Services Section comprises the Translation and Interpretation and Publishing Teams, which provide end-to-end publishing and language services to the technical divisions, as well as for thematic projects and corporate and governance areas. As a bilingual organization, and with three French-speaking territory members as well as France as a founding member, many of the publications and other written products are translated into French. The teams also provide conference interpretation, translation and rapporteur services for the organization's technical and governance meetings.

The organization has more than 600 staff members at the headquarters in Noumea, the regional offices in Suva and Pohnpei, the country office in Honiara and as field staff in other Pacific locations. The working languages are English and French. See more at [www.spc.int](http://www.spc.int).

The **Pacific Community** celebrates its 70th anniversary in 2017.



## Vision

The **Pacific Community** shares the vision adopted by the Pacific Islands Forum Leaders under the Framework for Pacific Regionalism:

*Our Pacific vision is for a region of peace, harmony, security, social inclusion and prosperity, so that all Pacific people can lead free, healthy and productive lives.*

## History and context

The **Pacific Community** is an international organization established by treaty (the Canberra Agreement) in 1947 and is owned and governed by its 26 members, including all 22 Pacific island countries and territories. It has evolved with the region and its members and provides the Pacific with essential scientific and technical advice and services.

Over its history it has made a significant and enduring impact, in cooperation with its members and development partners. It is recognized for its multidisciplinary scientific and technical expertise and for its application of expertise in responding to the specific development needs of its members.

The **Pacific Community** is one of nine member agencies of the Council of Regional Organizations of the Pacific.

## Members

American Samoa, Australia, the Cook Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, Fiji, France, French Polynesia, Guam, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Nauru, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Niue, Northern Mariana Islands, Palau, Papua New Guinea, Pitcairn, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tokelau, Tonga, Tuvalu, the United States of America, Vanuatu, and Wallis and Futuna.

