



Robin Yarrow is a Fiji national and has a degree in veterinary science from Sydney University. A retired career civil servant, he has lived in Fiji all his life apart from undertaking degree study overseas and serving in two Foreign Service postings.

He served as Permanent Secretary, the most senior civil service position in Fiji, in four Ministries over a 30 year career, including in the Ministries of Agriculture, Tourism, Foreign Affairs and National Planning, before retiring from the civil service in 1999 and working as a consultant.

He facilitated the final stages, including a national consultation on Fiji's draft Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan, in 1999.

In addition, Robin Yarrow has served on many Boards and Committees and is currently a Board member of both the Fiji Reserve Bank and the National Trust of Fiji. nationaltrust.org.fj He is also a Trustee of Fiji's only NGO dedicated to natural heritage protection, NatureFiji. naturefiji.org Furthermore, he is involved in community activities and serves on the Fiji Red Cross National Council.

He is especially concerned about biodiversity protection and conservation in small island states and has a keen interest in freshwater ecosystems. In addition, he is interested in regional development in the Pacific island region as well as in sustainable livelihoods.

Robin Yarrow was awarded the Fiji Civil Service Medal in 1995 and was also presented with the Knight of the Order of Agricultural Merit by the French Government in 2004. He is married with 2 adult children.