



MANAGEMENT PROFILES

Robert Oliver - Global Executive Director

Celebrity chef Robert Oliver is the executive director and show host. Robert led the team that developed the Pacific Island Food Revolution project. He grew up in Fiji and is a champion of Pacific cuisine. Robert hosted the TV series *Real Pasifik*, which plays in more than 40 countries and is on its 75th rerun. He is Ambassador for Le Cordon Bleu, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands, and UNDP Pacific Advocate for Food, Sustainable Development and Wellbeing. His book *Me'a Kai: The Food and Flavours of the South Pacific* won Best Cookbook in the World 2010 Gourmand Awards. He followed this with *Me'ai Samoa: Recipe and Stories from the Heart of Polynesia*, winner of the Best TV Chef Cookbook in the World 2013. Robert is available for media interviews.

Collette Brown and Susan Lee - Project Managers

DT Global Australia Pty Ltd International Development project manager Melissa Collins oversees the Pacific Island Food Revolution. She is assisted by Project support manager Collette Brown. Melissa and Collette manage the project on behalf of Australia Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. They make sure we stick to the plan, are accountable and transparent while performing a million other project management tasks. Melissa is available for interviews.

Cindi Lucas - TV Producer

Cindi Lucas is the brains behind the TV production team. She has 30 years' experience in TV and has produced *MasterChef*, *My Kitchen Rules*, *Marae Kai Masters* and *Beauty & The Beach*. She is the owner of Pacific Island Productions in Auckland and is committed to producing purpose-driven television. Cindi is available for interviews.

Wame Valentine - Communications, Social Media and Engagement Coordinator

Wame Valentine is a communications specialist. He has 10 years experience in mainstream media having worked in print, online and broadcasting in Fiji before taking on communication consultancy roles with regional agencies and international non governmental organisations. His writing has appeared in regional and international publications. He lives in Suva, Fiji.

Chris Parnell - Digital Innovator

CG Design is our digital innovator. Led by Chris Parnell, his team tackles a steady stream of innovation requests as we weave together all the digital parts of the Revolution into our website and social media. Chris's team are also developing new digital innovations to help spread the Revolution.

Busara - Behavioural Economics Partners

Busara Center for Behavioural Economics are one of our partners in our Theory of Change, and Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning for the Revolution. Senior Research Associate Mark Millrine leads the dynamic and innovative Busara team. Busara partner with local experts in each country to implement our on the ground monitoring, evaluation and learning activities.

DFAT and MFAT - Donor Partners

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