

BIOGRAPHIES OF THE NEW MEMBERS
OF THE IDRC BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Sir Shridath Ramphal, formerly Secretary General of the Commonwealth, now leads the West Indian Commission, established by the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) to chart a plan for the greater integration of the Caribbean countries. Sir Shridath has had a long political career and has been a member of many international commissions, including the Brandt Commission on International Development Issues, the World Commission on Environment and Development (the Bruntland Commission), and the Independent Commission of the South on Development Issues.

Dr. Saisuree Chutikul is currently Inspector General attached to the Office of the Prime Minister of Thailand. Until recently, she was Minister of State with primary responsibility for all issues relating to women, youth and education. She serves as Chairperson of the National Consumer Protection Commission and as Vice-Chairperson of the National Commissions on Youth and the Promotion of Women. Dr. Chutikul has devoted her career in the public domain in the field of education and psychology. She has a PhD in Educational Psychology from Indiana University.

Dedicated to the environment, Mrs. Niki Goulandris is at the forefront of numerous public awareness campaigns for the protection of the environment and of nature in Europe. In recognition of her contributions, she was awarded the 1990 "Woman of Europe" prize. She is Vice-President of the Goulandris Natural History Museum, which is famous worldwide for its scientific research on the Mediterranean environment. Previously, Mrs. Goulandris served as Vice-President of the Hellenic Radio and Television Organization, as well as Deputy Minister for Social Services.

Mrs. Marie-Angélique Savané is highly regarded internationally for her efforts in promoting the economic and social development of West Africa. She is currently a special advisor to the United Nations High Commission for Refugees and is a member of the advisory committees of the International Labour Organization and the UN Fund for Population Activities. She is a member of the governing bodies of the Society for International Development in Rome and of the Association of African Women for Research and Development. Mrs. Savané graduated from the Sorbonne in developmental sociology.