Biography – Chris Moraitis PSM

Chris Moraitis was appointed Secretary of the Attorney General’s Department in September 2014. Before this, he was a Deputy Secretary in the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT). Over a 25 year career in DFAT, he held several senior positions, including as head of Corporate Management, International Organisations and Legal Divisions and as DFAT’s Senior Legal Adviser. He joined DFAT as a graduate in 1989.

Chris served as Australia’s High Commissioner to Papua New Guinea from 2006 to 2009. He also served in Australian missions in Paris, Madrid and Geneva.

Chris was awarded the Public Service Medal in 2014 for outstanding public service to Australia’s international affairs.

Chris holds Bachelor of Arts (Hons) and Bachelor of Laws (Hons) degrees from the University of Melbourne and a Masters of International Law from the Australian National University. He was admitted to practice in Victoria as a barrister and solicitor in 1988.