



Mike Crowe
Networking and Communications Manager -Desert Knowledge Australia

Mike joined Desert Knowledge Australia in Alice Springs in Australia's Northern Territory in July 2000. As Networking and Communications Manager he plays a key role in the development of business and knowledge networks for an organisation that is linking the people and businesses of inland Australia to national and world markets.

His major current undertaking is the development of cross borders business networks project linking nine desert Australian regions and building upon the Linked Business Networks Pilot Project and the Our Outback Tourism report.

Mike was a finalist in the 2006 Northern Territory Innovation Award. He has extensive senior management experience across a range of organisations including:

- Commercial Manager for the internationally recognised Alice Springs Desert Park
- Regional Manager for the Northern Territory Department of Sport and Recreation
- Regional Manager and Deputy Director for the Northern Territory
- Open College which provided training to people in remote Northern Territory communities.

Mike has been based in Alice Springs since 1991. Prior to that he worked in Alaska, as a trekking leader for Raleigh International, and in Darwin, as the executive officer of the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Youth Program and as a high school mathematics and economics teacher.

Mike has a Masters of International Management from Charles Darwin University as well as a Bachelor of Arts (Mathematics and Physics) and Diploma of Education from Macquarie University.