New Home for Desert Knowledge

The Desert Knowledge Precinct in Alice Springs is expanding, with the CSIRO’s new Alice Springs headquarters building opened today by Minister for Central Australia Karl Hampton.

“CSIRO is one of the organisations that helped forge the Desert Knowledge movement and now it has a new home within the Desert Knowledge Precinct,” Mr Hampton said.

“The new $2.9 million building is a purpose built facility designed to fit into the desert landscape and includes green design principles.

“CSIRO, as one of the organisations that helped to forge the Desert Knowledge movement can now take its place among like-minded organisations that are working to improve the livelihoods of indigenous and non-indigenous people living in remote arid regions.”

Mr Hampton also congratulated the new Co-operative Research Centre for Remote Economic Participation that was officially launched today.

“The new CRC has a focus on building new enterprises and boosting opportunities to improve remote area economies and the Northern Territory Government is one of the major partners.

“The Desert Knowledge Precinct represents a $30 million commitment from the NT and Commonwealth Governments and is attracting investment and support that is aimed at improving the lives of people who live in remote areas.”

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