



CRC TiME Forum Speaker Biography – Ian Dover

Ian Dover spent his early career as a process metallurgist in international copper mining and integrated aluminium corporations in Australia, Canada and Norway. He transitioned to manufacturing after completing an industry PhD in metallurgical process improvement via mathematical modelling and expert systems in an Australian steel company. He then spent 15 years in project management and business advisory specialising in strategy, operations management and business turnarounds for manufacturing and ICT firms. After re-joining the energy and resources sector he moved to CSIRO as the Minerals Research Director for Business Development and Commercialisation before helping establish the national METS Industry Growth Centre in 2015. Within the growth centre he initiated the pilot scale-up accelerators, collaborative business clusters and industry-driven research program that will underpin its commercial transition in 2022. Ian is an experienced Managing Director, Non-Executive Director and Chairman who has helped a portfolio of start-ups, charities and a major university via his various board roles. In retirement he is helping industry research bids, collaboration of national chronic disease services and facilitating value addition to Australia's critical materials sector.