

## **About Today's Speakers**

**Martin Sepion** is the Head of MI & ICT Services at Redbridge Institute of Adult Education. Martin was born in London at 1962 and he has over 20 years experience in education in Schools, FE and Adult Education sectors. Previous posts include Head of IT at Waltham Forest College and Information Systems Manager at City Literary Institute.

Martin has solid experience in system implementations, in sourced and out sourced services, e-learning initiatives, strategic management, project management, staff management.

Martin will be leaving Redbridge to work for JISC in the new year.

His interests lie in Astronomy and natural history and has climbed Mont Blanc in 1983 '.

**Dr David Salmon** joined JANET(UK) in July 2001 to manage a programme of development activities on SuperJANET4. This role sits within Strategic Technologies, with a brief covering the evolution of the development programme, oversight of the projects within it through co-ordination with the project managers, liaison with the JANET community and communication with the Joint Information Systems Committee (JISC) for funding and policy issues.

David had been with the Rutherford Appleton Laboratory in the Scientific Computing Services Group where latterly he was involved with aspects of networking under CLRC's grid and e-science programme, particularly the activities of the Particle Physics Network Co-ordination Group (PPNCG) and the network work-package of the EU funded DataGRID project.

Prior to this he was responsible for managing and developing a batch computing facility for use by the UK particle physics community based on commodity PC hardware running Windows NT. He has a first degree in Physics and a PhD in Particle Physics, both from the University of Sheffield.

**Andrew Kerl** is Assistant Director and head of networking in Information Systems at University College London. He has been involved in IT within the academic community for over 30 years.

For more than 20 years he has worked with computer networks. In 1988 he led a team which installed the first FDDI network within UK academia. In 1992, working closely with BT Martlesham, UCL was the beta test site for the SMDS service.

More recently he has been responsible for implementing a large campus Gigabit network.

**Mike Hall** is the Director of IT Services for Roehampton University. In this role he is responsible for IT and media strategy, particularly where they relate to improving the student experience, integrating information sources, creation of shared service platforms; and the ongoing management of the University networks, data centres, business systems, Media services and Helpdesks. In his role of Director of IT Services, Mike serves on the University Senate and reports directly to the Pro Vice Chancellor Chris Cobb.

Prior to this role Mike was Director of IT Services for Thomson Scientific from 2005 - 2007, which included creation of a central shared service data centre for Europe in Ireland, the creation of a global helpdesk and support function and the improvement in production costs and timeliness to market of the company's products.

Preceding these assignments Mike was the Infrastructure Services Manager for Thomson Scientific and was involved in the creation of a central production team, major upgrade to the company's infrastructure and home working projects. He also worked as the Network Services manager at London Guildhall University where he was involved in the original London Man implementation and the regeneration of the Lea Valley area of London.

**John Kelly** has been with the University of Salford for four and a half years, where he manages the team responsible for the management, development and maintenance of the data and telephony networks.

Previous to this he was employed at the 2002 Commonwealth Games in Manchester, where he was the lead project engineer for the data network implementation.

He has 13 years experience in the network and telecoms arena.