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Peter Woodgate was appointed Chief Executive Officer of the Cooperative Research Centre for Spatial Information (CRCSI) in 2003. The CRCSI is a \$78 million investment by over 50 partners from the industry, government and university sectors across Australia. Its objective is to create accelerate economic growth in Australia through the development of world's best practice science in spatial information.

Prior to taking up this role, he was the Chief Executive Officer of the Geospatial Science Initiative at RMIT University, where he helped create RMIT's first spin-off company, Spatial Vision Innovations Pty Ltd, the Risk & Community Safety Research Centre and the Global Sustainability Institute. He also had many years in Victorian public service, where he helped lead the development of various business units in the natural resource and spatial information area. He has a long-standing interest in forest management, salinity research, greenhouse and the use of remote sensing for monitoring natural resources. He is currently undertaking a Doctorate of Business Administration at RMIT University on the identification of factors that operate to both promote and impede the development of early phase innovation in the business cycle of the information communication technologies industry.