



## Statewide Education Network Leader to Speak at the NM Broadband Summit

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### New Mexico's Statewide Education Network Broadband and Technology Manager to Address NM Broadband Summit



Ovidiu Viorica, Statewide Education Network Broadband and Technology Manager

The head of the Statewide Education Network, Ovidiu Viorica, will be taking part in the 2024 New Mexico Broadband Summit.

The Summit will be held on **October 29** at the Isleta Resort and Casino.

Viorica will provide updates about the Statewide Education Network (SEN), a yearslong broadband project that's connecting public schools through a comprehensive statewide network. SEN is linking schools and other facilities with a school-centric high-speed internet across New Mexico. At present SEN connections for approximately 50 schools have been delivered. Nearly 900 miles of fiber support this high capacity broadband network.

SEN will allow students throughout the state to share outside courses, clubs and link to sites that could help them address social and health issues. The new broadband system could also provide tutoring assistance, mental health access and college preparation materials.

SEN will oversee the daily operations and cybersecurity of the system. It plans to interconnect all New Mexico schools by 2027.

Ovidiu has a background in engineering and project management and started his career in the telecommunication industry more than 27 years ago. He worked on the deployment of large scale wired and wireless networks in Europe and the US and has extensive experience with the new construction, upgrades and operations of telecommunication and broadband networks & infrastructure.

Since 2014 Ovidiu has worked on the development and implementation of the New Mexico's Education Technology Infrastructure Program, expanded in 2021 to include a Statewide Education Network (NM SEN) to connect students and all public schools in the state to each other and to a more secure internet.

**You'll have an opportunity to speak to Viorica and members of the OBAE team!**

**The OBAE team will have a special table at the Summit.**

Don't forget to register below.

This is a **must-attend** event for every stakeholder involved in broadband in New Mexico!

**The deadline to sign up for the big event is TODAY!!**

The day-long event will include internet service providers, local, state and federal officials, state and federal lawmakers, broadband industry experts, business leaders, Tribal representatives, industry vendors, community decision-makers and others. The Summit will feature special panels and presentations, and experts will address New Mexico's broadband progress, successes, challenges and strategies.

The event is an opportunity for groups and individuals to do some solid networking as all work toward expanding broadband throughout New Mexico.

To register for the Broadband Summit, [CLICK HERE](#)

The event is sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce and presented by Vida Mejor Capital.



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