

Subject: Request for INCITS/L2 Endorsement Vote - US Candidate for SC 2/WG 2 Convener - Mike Ksar
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Eric –

The call for volunteers to serve as the US candidate for SC 2/WG 2 Convener has closed with one response. Mr. Mike Ksar has submitted the attached documentation in support of his candidacy.

At your earliest opportunity, please conduct an INCITS/L2 vote to determine the US TAG's endorsement of the US candidate. Upon close of the ballot, the numerical tally and recommendation should be submitted to my attention. The results of the L2 vote will be included on the EB ballot.

Best regards –

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Re: Letter of support

Dear Mrs. Garner:

The Unicode Consortium supports the appointment of Mr. Mike Ksar as convener of SC2/WG2 for a new term.

Mike's deep knowledge of character encoding as well as his skills and considerable experience with standardization fully qualify him for this position.

Mr. Ksar is a Technical Director of the Unicode Consortium, a US standard organization incorporated in the state of California.

During his tenure as SC2/WG2 convener, the Unicode Consortium will support Mr. Ksar with all the resources necessary to properly carry out his duties.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark E Davis".

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BIO

Mike Ksar

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Mike Ksar has been working in the IT industry for over 45 years. He is currently a Unicode Technical Director at the Unicode Consortium. He worked for Microsoft for more than five years in the Corporate Standards Strategy team and later as a senior program manager in the Globalization Infrastructure and Font Technology (GIFT) team. Before joining Microsoft, Mike worked at HP for more than 24 years. In his last assignment at HP, he was the Corporate Globalization Manager. He spent about 18 years in the area of internationalization programs and processes in R&D at HP product divisions and in the field, five years of which at HP in Geneva, Switzerland managing the development of localized products for Arabic, Hebrew, Greek, Turkish, Portuguese and languages of Eastern Europe.

Mike has been the Convener of the ISO technical working group (JTC1/SC2/WG2) that developed and published ISO/IEC 10646 since April 1990. He served 6 years as member of the Unicode Consortium Board of Directors. He is very active in both the Unicode Technical Committee (UTC) as well as the Unicode Editorial Committee. He was a key player towards the merging of the first version of Unicode and ISO 10646 and continues to play a significant role in supporting the continued development, convergence and synchronization of ISO 10646 and Unicode. He is a contributing author and editor to Unicode 5.0.

He is the editor of ISO/IEC 14496-22 Open Font Format at SC29/WG11 (MPEG).

During his tenure at HP, Mike published several guidelines that focus on Globalization from a localizability and localization aspects as well as the Globalization product life cycle process.

Mike has an MBA from Santa Clara University in Santa Clara, California and a B.Sc. in Industrial Engineering from Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan.