# Obai (O.B.) Sukar

Syrian-American | Bilingual (Arabic/English) | Award-winning IT Director & Systems Architect

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# **Professional Summary**

IT Director and Systems Architect with 20+ years building ITIL-driven support, service desks, and monitored enterprise infrastructure. 99.8% uptime across 18+ sites. Vendor governance, SLA management, and incident/problem/change execution. Bilingual Arabic/English. Saudi and GCC experience.

## **Experience**

#### IT Director & Systems Architect — Synergy Senior Management

Oct 2022-Present · Michigan, USA

- Led L1/L2/L3 Service Desk governance and ITIL processes (incident/problem/change/request).
- Standardized operations post-M&A across 18+ facilities with 99.8% uptime.
- Deployed RMM/PSA, monitoring thresholds, escalation playbooks, KPI reports.
- Identity and endpoint: Microsoft 365, Entra ID/Azure AD, Intune, MFA/SSO; Zero Trust baselines.
- Compliance: HIPAA readiness; evidence packs, access reviews, change logs.

### Independent IT Specialist & Consultant — Obai Sukar Consulting

2005-Present · UAE, KSA, Malaysia, Syria, USA

- Built networks, servers, VPN/VoIP, Wi-Fi, and ITSM workflows for multi-site orgs.
- Administered <u>Google Workspace</u>, <u>Microsoft 365</u>, <u>ServiceNow</u>, <u>ManageEngine</u>, <u>Remedy</u>.
- Implemented monitoring, CMDB hygiene, service catalog, SLA dashboards, and self-service portals.
- Vendor governance: monthly SLA reviews, trend analysis, corrective action plans.
- Security: SPF/DKIM/DMARC, EDR, vulnerability management, backup/DR (3-2-1).

#### Finance & Operations Manager — Catalyst Diagnostic

2020-2022 Michigan, USA

Vendor coordination, SLA tracking, and audit support for medical operations.

## IT Specialist — Comprehensive Lab Services, LLC

2014–2019 Michigan, USA

HIPAA-aligned digital workflows, asset inventory, monitoring rollout, SOPs.

#### Co-Founder & Technical Director — Radio Al-Kul

2012-2016 · Istanbul, Turkey / Inside Syria

- Built mobile FM units and covert studios, relocated to avoid detection and bombing.
- ~500K daily listeners; emergency broadcast protocols; secure comms.
- Coverage: NPR, Al Jazeera, Medium/War is Boring, AFP (link pending).

## Founder & Executive Producer — Karazah Channel

2016-Present · Michigan, USA

- Arabic preschool edutainment YouTube channel: 715K+ subscribers, 301M+ views.
- Mohammed Bin Rashid Arabic Language Award (2019) Governor of Dubai.

#### **Education & Certifications**

- Los Angeles Recording School Audio Production & Sound Design · 2005
- Intermediate Institute of Printing & Publishing, Damascus · 1999
- ITIL knowledge applied; formal certification preferred by role.

# **Key Skills**

ITIL Service Management: incident, problem, change, request; service catalog; CMDB.

ITSM/Ticketing: ServiceNow, ManageEngine, Remedy.

Monitoring & Continuity: RMM/PSA tooling, event correlation, escalation paths, on-call runbooks.

Vendor Governance: SLA reporting, QBRs, corrective actions.

Cloud & Identity: Microsoft 365, Entra ID, Google Workspace, Intune.

Security & Compliance: HIPAA, Zero Trust, MFA/SSO, SPF/DKIM/DMARC, EDR, DR.

Languages: Arabic (fluent), English (fluent).

# **Awards & Recognition**

- Mohammed Bin Rashid Arabic Language Award (2019) Governor of Dubai.
- Student Academy Award, Silver Cloud Kumo (2016).
- Golden Award Cairo International Children's Film Festival, Thread of Life (festival ref link pending).
- Media profiles: Washington Post, MLive, Syria TV documentary.