

# Obai (O.B.) Sukar

**IT Director & Systems Architect | Infrastructure | Digital Transformation | Cybersecurity |  
Media Technology Leadership**

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Michigan, USA | Available for Riyadh, Saudi Arabia

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

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Senior IT leader with 20+ years of experience in IT strategy, infrastructure, cybersecurity, enterprise systems, and digital transformation. Expertise in multi-site operations, vendor management, KPI alignment, and compliance with international standards. Unique background bridging enterprise IT and award-winning media technology projects, delivering resilient, scalable systems in both corporate and high-pressure environments. Extensive experience supporting Saudi Arabia's Vision 2030 digital transformation goals through innovative technology solutions.

## CORE COMPETENCIES

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IT Strategy & Governance • Infrastructure & Helpdesk Management • Applications & Database Integration  
Cybersecurity & Incident Response • Vendor & Stakeholder Management • Cloud Services & Virtualization  
Business Continuity & Disaster Recovery • Digital Transformation & Process Optimization • Cross-Cultural Team  
Leadership  
Media Technology & Educational Platforms • Accounts Payable Systems • Operations Management

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### IT Director & Systems Architect

*Synergy Senior Management | 2022 – Present*

- Lead IT strategy and governance across 18+ facilities, achieving 99.8% uptime and zero security incidents
- Supervise technical staff for Exchange, ERP, VoIP, and clinical systems with focus on KPI alignment
- Develop and implement disaster recovery and incident response plans for critical operations
- Manage vendor relationships, RFPs, and contract negotiations for enterprise-level procurements
- Ensure regulatory compliance frameworks including HIPAA and data security protocols

### IT Specialist & Strategic Consultant

*Independent / Obai Sukar Consulting | 2005 – Present*

- Design and deploy enterprise IT infrastructure across US, Middle East, and Asia for government, healthcare, and media sectors
- Implement WAN/LAN, VLAN segmentation, and secure cloud infrastructures for multi-national organizations
- Coordinate international technical teams for schools, laboratories, and enterprises
- Deliver cybersecurity assessments, compliance frameworks, and digital transformation initiatives aligned with Vision 2030 objectives
- Integrate financial systems including accounts payable, ERP, and operations management platforms

### Operations Technology Specialist

*Catalyst Diagnostic | 2020 – 2022*

- Managed enterprise financial and laboratory IT systems with focus on operational efficiency

- Developed compliance workflows and data security protocols for regulated healthcare environment

## IT Operations Manager

*Comprehensive Lab Services | 2014 – 2019*

- Led digital transformation initiatives aligned with organizational strategic goals
- Directed IT staff supporting laboratory systems, VoIP, and media infrastructure

## Technology Department Manager

*Spacetoan / Tiger Media | 2000 – 2010*

- Managed technology teams across Damascus, Dubai, and Kuala Lumpur operations
- Directed broadcast/media IT systems for television and distance learning platforms
- Oversaw infrastructure development, technical staff supervision, and vendor management
- Implemented digital transformation initiatives for media production and distribution
- Managed operations systems, financial applications, and cross-departmental technology integration

## Additional Leadership Roles

*Various Organizations | 2010 – 2016*

- **Technical Director, Radio Al-Kul:** Built and managed resilient broadcast IT systems in conflict zones, reaching 500K daily listeners. Featured in NPR (<https://www.npr.org/sections/parallels/2016/04/24/474729153/>), Washington Post ([https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/middle\\_east/syria-diaspora-clubhouse-middle-east/2021/03/09/90a2a55e-7c28-11eb-8c5e-32e47b42b51b\\_story.html](https://www.washingtonpost.com/world/middle_east/syria-diaspora-clubhouse-middle-east/2021/03/09/90a2a55e-7c28-11eb-8c5e-32e47b42b51b_story.html)), and Medium coverage
- **Founder, Karazah Channel:** Developed Arabic educational media platform with 715K+ subscribers and 301M+ views, integrating IT-enabled content delivery, applications, and infrastructure management. Winner, Mohammed Bin Rashid Arabic Language Award

## KEY ACHIEVEMENTS & RECOGNITION

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- **Mohammed Bin Rashid Arabic Language Award (2019)** - Educational excellence for Karazah Channel, aligning with regional Vision 2030 educational technology goals
- **Student Academy Award, Silver (2016)** - Sound Design for Cloud Kumo (Oscar-verified, see IMDb profile at <https://www.imdb.com/name/nm2273066/>)
- **Crisis Leadership Recognition:** Featured in NPR, Al Jazeera, and AFP for innovative technical solutions under challenging conditions
- **Operational Excellence:** 99.8% uptime across 18+ facilities with zero security incidents over 2+ years
- **Vision 2030 Alignment:** Delivered digital transformation projects supporting modernization initiatives across healthcare, media, and education sectors

## TECHNICAL EXPERTISE

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### IT Strategy & Governance

Strategic IT Planning • KPI Development & Monitoring • Budget Management • Risk Assessment • Compliance Frameworks • Policy Development • Vision 2030 Alignment

### Cybersecurity & Compliance

Security Frameworks • Incident Response • Vulnerability Management • Access Controls • Data Protection • Regulatory Compliance

### Infrastructure & Systems

Network Architecture • Server Administration • Cloud Platforms • VoIP Systems • Database Management • Backup & Recovery • Virtualization • Operations Systems

### Leadership & Management

Team Leadership • Vendor Management • Project Management • Stakeholder Communication • Change Management • Crisis Leadership • Cross-Cultural Operations

## LANGUAGES & CULTURAL COMPETENCY

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**Languages:** English (Native), Arabic (Native)

**Regional Experience:** Middle East (Syria, UAE), Asia (Malaysia), North America (USA)

**Cultural Adaptability:** Proven success managing international teams and operations across diverse cultural environments

## EDUCATION & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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**Bachelor's Equivalency:** 20+ years of progressive IT leadership and technical practice

**Ongoing Professional Development:** Cloud Security, Cybersecurity Frameworks, Digital Transformation, Government IT Best Practices

## SELECTED TESTIMONIALS

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**Sinan Hatahet, PhD — Co-Founder of Workiom CRM:** "By far one of the best professionals I had the pleasure to partner with."

**Husam Azma — Technical Director at Oracle Consulting:** Praised for dedication and integrity in enterprise IT collaborations.

Additional verified testimonials: [linkedin.com/in/obaisukar](https://www.linkedin.com/in/obaisukar)