


**UK & Ireland SAP User Group
Director Nomination Form**

**Nomination form for election to the UKISUG (UK & Ireland SAP User Group)
Board of Directors**

Biographical details:

First name	Rob	Last Name	Arundel
Job Title	Head of SAP	Your Picture	
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Country	UK		

Sponsor and Reference:

Please provide details of the UKISUG member organisation(s) supporting your candidacy:		
<u>CMS DISTRIBUTION LTD</u>		
<u>Head Office:</u>		
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Please provide one appropriate reference that we may contact:		Have you discussed your candidacy with your employer?
John Fitzgerald (CIO)	Yes/No	Yes



Career and Experience

Current role and responsibilities

Head of SAP

Leading a team who are responsible for the uptime, support, development, configuration and changes to our whole SAP stack.

Blending commercial, operational and technical expertise to aid the delivery of solutions to business challenges.

Collaborating and building strategic partnerships with key vendors, working with internal / external customers (both directly and indirectly) and aligning the business vision to practical outcomes.

Setting out and executing strategic plans for the SAP estate to deliver the best return on investment for our business.

Key Responsibilities:

- Strategic activity working with leadership team to support, guide and give input on initiatives and new ideas such as automation and business transformation
- People management and staff development
- Working with peers, analysts, solution architects and developers to design and build SAP solutions
- Supplier management – negotiation, contacts, purchases, payment approvals etc.
- Supporting colleagues with root cause analysis and troubleshooting in order to troubleshoot and resolve business/operational and technical challenges/issues.

Previous relevant roles

SAP Manager & Specialist Projects Manager

In charge of the full SAP estate and in addition running projects such as

- Global SAP template build
- Business acquisitions and IT / SAP rollout
- Implementation of new SAP products / modules

IT Manager

In charge of the full IT estate and in addition running projects such as

- SAP implementation



- Web / e-commerce implementation
- Creating SAP based solutions to maximize sales / beat competition
- Complete IT infrastructure re-implementation— telecoms, network, server, storage etc.

Experience of working with the SAP portfolio of products and services

R/3 4.6 | ECC 6 (SD,MM,PP,FI/CO and more) | CRM 7 | Success Factors | Process Orchestration (PI/PO) | Concur | Solution Manager | Fiori

Deep hands-on technical, functional and operational knowledge of the core SAP NetWeaver based portfolio and basic configuration knowledge of the Concur/SFSF cloud-based applications.

My vast experience of SAP enables me to confidently advise on the micro and macro aspects of SAP products and services.

On an SAP software level, I am comfortable at all levels of the stack from basis, development, configuration and functional use.

At an SAP organisational level, I understand how to get things done and have made contacts across the SAP territories, spanning sales leadership, product management, support, MCC, and dealing with C Suite executives within SAP and their partner organisations.

Other relevant professional experience

My time at CMS has needed me to get involved with a variety of projects and while we are now a global operation our core revenues are generated in UK&I

Having worked for an organisation who have used SAP for over two decades, I am experienced at creating solutions for some of the challenges faced by other member organisations:

- licensing
- implementations
- globalisation
- tax and compliance

Education and Professional Qualifications

ITIL Accredited and regular on Udemy.com for variety of courses



UKISUG

Please describe your volunteer role with the User Group or your experience of the UKISUG

I have benefitted from attending the annual event as a networking opportunity

I regularly encourage my team and our wider business to attend events/webinars for relevant user group led SAP content

Outside of UK&I User group I am also a member of the NUF (SAP Northern User Forum)

Why do you want to serve as a Director of UKISUG?

I would like to see SAP stay relevant for the next generation workforce and their business needs.

SAP has come a long way in the near 20 years of my career to date, but I feel we need more modernisation and transformation in both the product offerings and the organisation itself. I would like to play a part in ensuring SAP are 'playing fair' and offering the maximum value to their customer base.

My own work is approached with high standards and expectations and I would like to play an active role in ensuring SAP deliver to the high standards that we, as customers, expect. The three specific areas close to my heart are transparency, roadmap and support.

What appropriate experience can you bring to UKISUG and its Board of Directors?
(E.g. governance, professional capabilities, financial control, membership organisations, etc.)

-Relationships in SAP and partner organizations

-A strong hands-on working knowledge of SAP product and organization

-A relentless passion for and track record of achieving excellence

-Tenacity, drive and ambition.

Please return the completed form to elections@sapusers.org

