

**Electronic System Design Alliance
2021 – 2023 Governing Council Election**

Candidate Statement



Dean Drako

I have been serving on the ESD Alliance Council, previously the EDAC board, for 9 years.

After first becoming involved with EDA nearly three decades ago, as a designer at Apple, I founded Design Acceleration, maker of design analysis and verification tools, which Cadence acquired.

I have also built and run multiple other successful companies, including Barracuda Networks, which went public in late 2013, and Drako Motors, where we've launched Drako GTE, a 206-MPH, 1200HP, four-passenger electric luxury supercar.

I am currently President and CEO of IC Manage, a design & IP management and hybrid cloud computing company which has ranked in the Deloitte Fast500 fastest growing technology companies.

2020 was a momentous year industry of value recognition of the importance of EDA and semiconductor companies as our economy adapts and moves forward. If given the chance to continue to serve on the ESD Alliance governing council, I'd like us to take a closer look at how our industry can take fullest advantages of these opportunities.

We can also encourage greater sharing on how we successfully adapt to the virtual and hybrid environments we are likely to have for the next year or two.

I would appreciate your vote.

Thank you,
Dean Drako

Dean Drako Bio

Dean Drako is founder, President & CEO of IC Manage, a design & IP management and big data analytics company, which has ranked as a Deloitte Fast 500 fastest growing technology

company. Dean is also CEO of Drako Motors, where he launched Drako GTE, a 206-MPH, 1200HP, four-passenger electric luxury supercar.

Dean was Founder, President, and CEO of Barracuda Networks, where he created the IT security industry's first spam filter appliance and then grew the company to more than 140 products and 150,000 customers from its inception in 2003 through 2012. Barracuda went public on the NYSE. Drako was named one of Goldman Sachs "100 Most Intriguing Entrepreneurs of 2014." In 2007, Mr. Drako won the Ernst and Young Northern California Entrepreneur of the Year for Networking and Communications. Mr. Drako did his undergraduate study at University of Michigan in Electrical Engineering, received his MS in Electrical Engineering from University of California at Berkeley, and holds 46 patents.