



Carlos Contreras

Carlos Contreras is a Americas Region senior director of AI and Digital Readiness at Intel. Carlos is responsible for driving strategic programs and partnerships on emerging technologies including Artificial Intelligence. This includes building trusted partnerships with key government organizations, academia and NGOs for driving scale, sustainability, policy, regulatory alignment and reputational gains. Carlos is a fourth-generation engineer, Carlos has built a career focused on technology, creation, and community. Carlos has served on numerous boards including as founding member of the Maker Education Initiative. He worked directly with Sally Ride and Craig Barrett on President Obama's STEM initiative - Change the Equation. He served as a STEM Education Industry Advisor for the National Governors Association (NGA), National Science Teachers Association (NSTA), University of Michigan MCity Leadership Council, CompTIA policy executive board and White House Science Fair. He currently serves on the Board for the Arizona School for the Arts (ASA), the University of Arizona College of Engineering Industry Advisory Board and Phoenix Youth and Education Commission . He has often served as a resource to media on STEM initiatives and the importance of creating access to STEM opportunities for young people. On a personal note in his spare time, Carlos enjoy woodworking, welding and stained glass making. He also has '66 Mustang that he enjoys working on.