

IITGn Foundation appoints first executive director

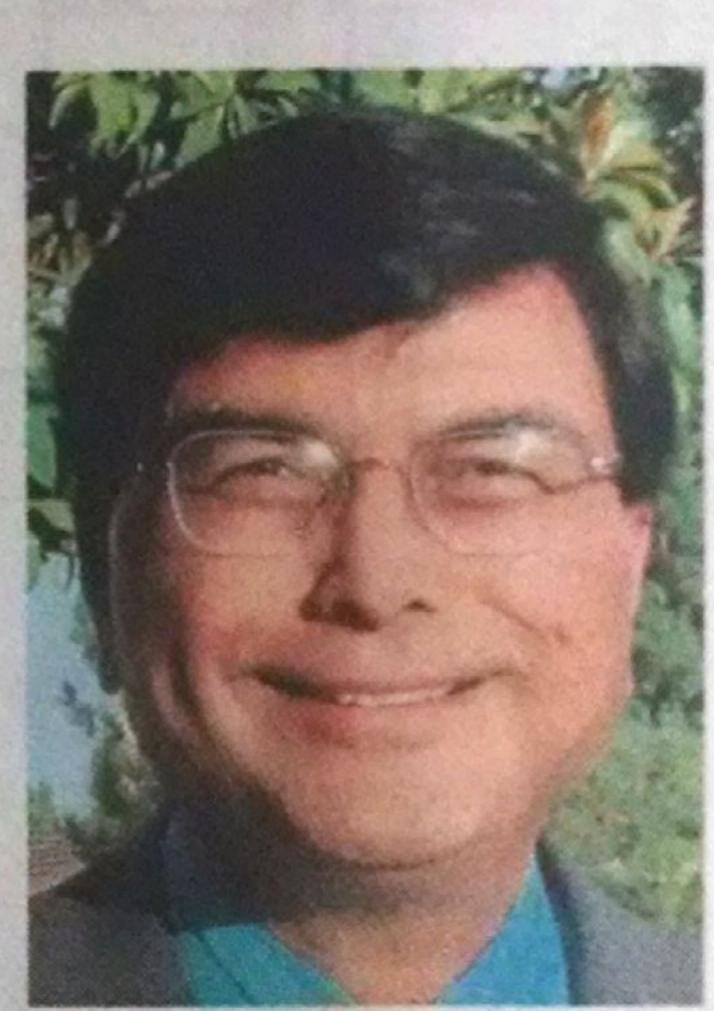
Ravi Mistry will manage the foundation's worldwide campaign

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The Indian Institute of Technology, Gandhinagar Foundation (IITGNF), a charitable trust based in the US, has appointed Ravi Mistry as their first executive director.

Mistry was earlier a member of the founding team of Virident Systems, a Silicon Valley technology start-up. He has held several senior positions in life sciences industries. Mistry will now be in charge of designing and managing the IITGNF's worldwide capital campaign with the primary focus being on the United States.

"This is a very challenging and yet a dream-come-true opportunity for me as I am very passionate about improving technology education in India, and helping to lay the groundwork for a world-class institute. I am excited that raising funds for IITGn will support many of the institute's innovative initiatives. This will help raise its standard of excellence in teaching and nurture the young talent that enriches India and the world," said Mistry.



Ravi Mistry

The new executive director will also be serving as liaison between donors and the important initiatives supported by them in IITGn. Currently, he also serves as volunteer president of EPPIC Global Network, a life sciences professional organisation. Mistry did his BE in Civil Engineering from Gujarat University. He also holds a Masters degree in Structural Engineering from Stanford University and an MBA in Finance.

IITGn Foundation was established in 2010 in Palo Alto, California, USA as a charitable trust to support IIT Gandhinagar's goal to be a distinguished technical institute of India. It provides financial and other infrastructure support to the institute, faculty and students.