

NAME

`efi_variables_supported`, `efi_del_variable`, `efi_get_variable`, `efi_get_variable_attributes`, `efi_get_variable_size`, `efi_set_variable` – manipulate UEFI variables

SYNOPSIS

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#include <efivar.h>
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int efi_variables_supported(void);
int efi_del_variable(efi_guid_t guid, const char *name);

int efi_get_variable(efi_guid_t guid, const char *name,
                    void **data, ssize_t *data_size,
                    uint32_t *attributes);

int efi_get_variable_attributes(efi_guid_t guid, const char *name,
                               uint32_t *attributes);

int efi_get_variable_exists(efi_guid_t guid, const char *name);

int efi_get_variable_size(efi_guid_t guid, const char *name,
                         size_t *size);

int efi_append_variable(efi_guid_t guid, const char *name,
                      void *data, size_t data_size,
                      uint32_t attributes);

int efi_set_variable(efi_guid_t guid, const char *name,
                   void *data, size_t data_size,
                   uint32_t attributes, mode_t mode);

int efi_get_next_variable_name(efi_guid_t **guid, char **name);

int efi_str_to_guid(const char *s, efi_guid_t *guid);

int efi_guid_to_str(const efi_guid_t *guid, char **sp);

int efi_name_to_guid(const char *name, efi_guid_t *guid);

int efi_id_guid_to_guid(const char *id_guid, efi_guid_t *guid);

int efi_guid_to_name(efi_guid_t *guid, char **name);

int efi_guid_to_id_guid(efi_guid_t *guid, char **id_guid);

int efi_guid_to_symbol(efi_guid_t *guid, char **symbol);
int efi_symbol_to_guid(const char *symbol, efi_guid_t *guid);
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DESCRIPTION

`efi_variables_supported()` tests if the UEFI variable facility is supported on the current machine.

`efi_del_variable()` deletes the variable specified by *guid* and *name*.

`efi_get_variable()` gets the variable specified by *guid* and *name*. The value is stored in *data*, its size in *data_size*, and its attributes are stored in *attributes*.

`efi_get_variable_attributes()` gets attributes for the variable specified by *guid* and *name*.

`efi_get_variable_exists()` gets if the variable specified by *guid* and *name* exists.

efi_get_variable_size() gets the size of the data for the variable specified by *guid* and *name*.

efi_append_variable() appends *data* of size *size* to the variable specified by *guid* and *name*.

efi_set_variable() sets the variable specified by *guid* and *name*, and sets the file mode to *mode*, subject to *umask*. Note that the mode will not persist across a reboot, and that the permissions only apply if on systems using *efivarfs*.

efi_get_next_variable_name() iterates across the currently extant variables, passing back a *guid* and *name*.

efi_str_to_guid() parses a UEFI GUID from string form to an *efi_guid_t* the caller provides

efi_guid_to_str() Creates a string representation of a UEFI GUID. If *sp* is NULL, it returns how big the string would be. If *sp* is not NULL but **sp* is NULL, it allocates a string and returns it with. It is the caller's responsibility to free this string. If *sp* is not NULL and **sp* is not NULL, **efi_guid_to_str()** assumes there is an allocation of suitable size and uses it.

efi_name_to_guid() translates from a well known name to an *efi_guid_t* the caller provides.

efi_guid_to_name() translates from an *efi_guid_t* to a well known name. If the supplied GUID does not have a well known name, this function is equivalent to **efi_guid_to_str()**.

efi_guid_to_id_guid() translates from an *efi_guid_t* to an {ID GUID}. If the supplied GUID has a well known name, the {ID GUID} will be of the form "{name_here}". If not, it will be of the form "{66b2af1c-6211-4082-95cb-9f73a4795a7e}".

efi_id_guid_to_guid() translates from an {ID GUID} to an *efi_guid_t* the caller provides.

efi_guid_to_symbol() translates from an *efi_guid_t* to a unique (within *libefivar*) C-style symbol name. These symbol names are useful for printing as a unique, easily parsed identifier, and are also provide by the library and its header files.

efi_symbol_to_guid() translates from a *libefivar* *efi_guid_\$FOO* symbol name to an *efi_guid_t* the caller provides.

RETURN VALUE

efi_variables_supported() returns true if variables are supported on the running hardware, and false if they are not.

efi_get_next_variable_name() returns 0 when iteration has completed, 1 when iteration has not completed, and -1 on error. In the event of an error, *errno*(3) is set appropriately.

efi_del_variable(), **efi_get_variable()**, **efi_get_variable_attributes()**, **efi_get_variable_exists()**, **efi_get_variable_size()**, **efi_append_variable()**, **efi_set_variable()**, **efi_str_to_guid()**, **efi_guid_to_str()**, **efi_name_to_guid()**, and **efi_guid_to_name()** return negative on error and zero on success.

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