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To the representatives of the Social Inclusion Committee

**Letter of application for the 5th Vice Chair of the Committee on
Social Inclusion and Human Dignity**

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Dear Sir or Madam,

it is with great pleasure I put my name forward for the position of a vice-chair of the Committee on Social Inclusion and Human Dignity of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe.

Since my early start of getting involved into politics, social justice, equal rights and diversity have been my motivating forces. First in voluntary work and in my political start on a communal level in my hometown Marburg. Then for 16 years now as a member of the State Parliament of Hessen in Germany, for five years as the former Minister for Science and Arts in Hessen and now also in my current role as the Vice-President of the parliament of the state of Hessen.

Even though my career as a member of the parliament started quite early in my life, my professional background in psychology and social work is still very important for me. After school I did a voluntary year in an institution for child and youth welfare. Then graduated with a diploma, I worked as a psychologist in a forensic psychiatry. In this work I got the deep experience about the necessity of prevention and a strong social network.

Until the last elections in Hessen I served for five years as a member of the government in the state of Hessen. An important focus of my period as the minister for higher Education, Science and Arts in Hessen was strengthening the social permeability of higher education and access to culture and arts. We built different programmes not only to lower hurdles for people to study, but also to be successful to graduate. For example people whose families are non-academic or immigrants. It was also important to make art institutions more accessible for everyone, for example supporting our museums to get more inclusive.

The challenging time of corona crisis and energy crisis took completely place in my period in government. In our programmes to support our institutions and economy we worked parallel on the issue not only to outlast the crisis, but also to become more resilient. For me a main task for our society for the future is getting more resilient and sustainable. I would like to give some experiences in the Committee about the importance and the management of resilience and sustainability in the whole network of civil society, not only in the infrastructure.

I am looking forward to share my experiences with you and listen to your ideas and suggestions for the committee.

Your sincerely,


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Curriculum Vitae



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Personal details

Born June 2, 1982

in Aschaffenburg, Germany

married, 3 children

Education

- 2001: Highschool graduation, Maria Ward Schule, Aschaffenburg
- 2001 – 2002: Voluntary social year at the Protestant children's and youth welfare organization in Würzburg
- 2002 – 2008: Study of psychology at the Philipps University of Marburg, graduated with a degree in psychology

Professional activity

- 2008 – 2009: Graduate psychologist in forensic psychiatry, Haina, Germany

Political career

- since 2005: Member of BÜNDNIS 90/DIE GRÜNEN
- since 01/2009: Member of the Hessian State Parliament
- 2017 – 2019: Chairwoman of BÜNDNIS 90/DIE GRÜNEN Hessen
- 2006 – 2019: Member of the City Council of the city of Marburg
- 2019 – 2024: Hessian Minister for Science and Arts
- 2019 – 2024: Deputy member of the Federal Council (Bundesrat)

Membership and functions in committees and bodies

since 01/2024 Vice President of the Hessian State Parliament

Member of the Presidium

Member of the Board of Elders

since 01/2024: Member of the General Committee

since 02/2024: Member of the Committee of European Affairs

2014 – 2017: Parliamentary Secretary of BÜNDNIS 90/DIE GRÜNEN

since 01/2024: Spokesperson for European Policy of BÜNDNIS 90/DIE GRÜNEN