

Dear EPP/CCE group members, dear colleagues,

With the present letter, I would hereby like to notify you of my candidature for the post of Chair of the Governance Committee for the period 2018 - 2020 in the list of the EPP. One of my main goals has always been to have faith and take a chance, seize the opportunities in front of me in the EPP group, the Governance Committee and the Chamber of Regions.

I have taken part in election observation missions in Finland, Macedonia, The Netherlands and Bosnia and Herzegovina. I tried to actively contribute to the debates in the Chamber of Regions as I believe that the co-operation between Europe's regions should be intensively promoted.

I have been appointed by the Governance Committee as rapporteur entrusted with preparing the analysis on the Financial compensation of local and regional elected representatives, I was also the main organizer of the Governace Committee meeting and thematic conference on 'Use of languages by local authorities' that was held in Balvanyos, Covasna County (RO).

I represented the CoE Congress at the World Forum for Democracy in Strasbourg that was focused on education and democracy. On behalf of CoE Congress I participated in the working group on the participation of citizens in local public life: revision of the Committee of Ministers recommendation CM/REC(2001)19.

At the invitation of the Belarusian authorities, I participated as member of the delegation of the Congress on several high-level meetings where we discussed local self-government issues such as the training of local government staff and twinning as a development tool.

I would like to continue my work within the Governance Committee and the CoE Congress with the same enthusiasm as I did during the last period. By this letter I would like to submit my candidature to the Chair of the Governance Committee position.

Best regards,

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Vice President of the EPP
Vice President of the Congress (REGIONAL)
Vice President of Covasna County Council

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RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE





VICE PRESIDENT, Council of Europe MEMBER, Council of Europe

26/03/2018 - Present 01/10/2016 - Present

Congress Local and Regional Authorities, Chamber of Regions

The Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe is a pan-European political assembly, the 648 members of which hold elective office; they are regional or municipal councillors, mayors or presidents of regional authorities, representing over 200,000 authorities in 47 European states. I am full member of the CoE Congress as part of the Romanian delegation.

Achievements:

- Member of the CoE Congress election observation mission at the local elections in Finland, Macedonia and Netherlands.
- Appointed rapporteur entrusted with preparing the analysis on Financial compensation of local and regional elected representatives and public officials in the exercise of their duty.
- Represented CoE Congress on World Forum for Democracy in Strasbourg(FR) with focus on focus on education and democracy
- Organizer of the CoE Congress Conference on "The use of languages by local and regional authorities" in Balvanyos (RO)
- Member on behalf of CoE Congress in the working group on the revision of the Committee of Ministers Recommendation CM/REC(2001)19 on the participation of citizens in local public life



VICE-PRESIDENT, Covasna County Council, Sfantu Gheorghe (RO)

16/06/2016 - Present

COUNTY COUNCILLOR, Covasna County Council, Sfantu Gheorghe (RO) 16/06/2012 – Present

Covasna County Council is an elected public authority in county with the same name, led by the President and 2 Vice Presidents. As one of the Vice Presidents, I am responsible for the coordination of the council's economic and urbanistic directorates and also in charge of tourism and economic development. The county council directly coordinates more than 20 public institutions with 3000+ employees. It is a problem-solving position, that requires high level of creativity, to discover the origins of the numerous problems and find the proper solutions.

Achievements:

- Raised the number or tourists with 10%, received 2nd prize for Best Destination Campaign at eTravelAwards in 2016 & 2017
- In charge of opening the most innovative Touristic Information Office from Romania in Sfantu Gheorghe, Covasna County
- Named as representative of the Covasna County Council to the CoE Congress and AER Assembly of European Regions
- Organized the AER Youth Regional Network meeting "Role of Education in Inclusive Society" in Sf. Gheorghe (RO)
- Successfully restructured the NGO and Education compartment after interviewing employees and conducted desk research
- Coordinator of the StartUpNow project that finances 40 Start-ups with 40 000 EUR each, total project value 2 900 000 EUR
- Organizer of the exhibitions on touristic fairs in Bucharest, Budapest, Manchester, Chisinau and Berlin of our region



TRAINER AND CONSULTANT IN NON-FORMAL EDUCATION

01/06/2009 - Present

European Commission

European Commission, Freelanced (EU)

I worked in an intercultural environment as a freelance trainer and consultant in international training courses founded by the European Commission through the Youth In Action and Erasmus+ programs.

Achievements:

- Selected as evaluator at European Commission for selection of proposals for funding Capacity Building in the Field of Youth
- Consultant and trainer in more 30+ international projects in Romania, Hungary, Republic of Moldova, UK, Latvia and Turkey
- Expert in the project ALL FOR YOU(TH) involving project phases in Vietnam, Costa Rica, Tanzania, Hungary and Italy
- Nominated as **expert** in 2012 'Building the institution YOUTH WORKER' organized by the **Ministry of Youth and Sport** (RO)



ADVISOR TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE,

01/10/2011-01/06/2012

Ministry of Environment, Bucharest (RO)

At the Ministry of Environment, Water and Forests - National Agency for Environmental Protection I had the opportunity to work as an adviser to the president of the Agency, being ranked secretary of state. I took part in environmental protection related issues, assisted the president of the Agency during meetings and hearings, contributed to the work of the president by drafting briefs, summaries, reports and various documents.

Head organizer of national meeting of the experts of the agency that took part in Sinaia(RO), with 100+ participants

Contributed to the realization of the National Protected Area Management System – SINCRON project

LEADERSHIP ROLES AND ACTIVITIES

President, Hungarian Student's Organization, Sfantu Gheorghe (RO)2007-2011Member, Covasna County Volunteering Centre, Sfantu Gheorghe (RO)2008-presentBoard member, Hungarian Youth Council of Romania, Miercurea-Ciuc (RO)2008-2013President, Covasna County Tourism Association, Sfantu Gheorghe (RO)2013-2016Executive president, DAHR - Democratic Alliance of Hungarians from Romania, Covasna County Branch (RO)2013-presentCampaign manager, Romanian and European Parliamentary, Presidential and Local elections (RO)2014-present

In the last 10 years I have been volunteer, founder and leader in different NGO's, this experience I consider a second university, as it developed my problem solving, project management and leadership competences, skills that cannot be learned in the formal education system. Politics and campaigning is about tactics, organization, campaign management, consulting and team work. I really enjoy this, as it always gives new targets, that we need to find solutions to reach.

Achievements:

- Successfully motivated youngsters to join NGO's, many of them are having important positions now within their community
- Founded the first accredited volunteering centre and managed the biggest regional youth event SIC Feszt @5000 pax.
- Built and implemented new campaign management system for DAHR including database, voter targeting, voter analysis
- Campaign manager for MP Laszlo Klarik in 2012 parliamentary elections in Romania

PREVIOUS PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

ASSISTANT MANAGER, Association for Business Promotion in Romania, Oradea (RO)	15/10/2014 – 15/10/2015
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, Covasna County Development Association, Sfantu Gheorghe (RO)	01/08/2012 - 31/12/2013
MANAGING DIRECTOR, Farland Job Ltd., Sfantu Gheorghe (RO)	01/09/2005 - 01/10/2011
LIFEGUARD in Maryland, GIFT SHOP SELLER in South Carolina, Work&Travel USA program	01/07/2007 - 01/10/2007
From PAINTER to ASSISTANT MANAGER, PRIMFEST Kft., Budapest (HU)	01/06/2002 - 01/09/2005

EDUCATION

Master's Degree, Business Management, Master in Economics, Babeş-Bolyai University of Cluj Napoca (RO) Field of study: Business Administration Specialization: Entrepreneurship and Business Management	2009-2011
Bachelor's Degree, Economics of the firm, Bachelor in Economics, Babeş-Bolyai University of Cluj Napoca (RO) Field of study: Business Administration Specialization: Economics of the firm	2006-2009
Bachelor's Degree, Information Technology, Székely Mikó Highschool, Sfantu Gheorghe (RO)	1996-2000

CERTIFICATIONS

Project manager, Ministry of National Education and Scientific Research Romania (RO)	2008
Trainer, Ministry of National Education and Scientific Research Romania (RO)	2011

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Citizenship: HUNGARIAN, ROMANIAN

Driving license: B category

Languages: HUNGARIAN - Mother tongue | ROMANIAN - Proficient user | ENGLISH - Proficient user | FRENCH - Basic user

Digital competence: Proficient user of Word, Excel, Power Point, Microsoft Office, Prezi Personal interests: Travelling, Tourism, Volunteering, Soccer, Reading success stories

Publications: MANUAL FOR VOLUNTEERS (HU) https://issuu.com/rmdsz/docs/onkentes_kisokos_00_boritoval_ Council of Europe: http://www.coe.int/t/congress/whoswho/fiche-indiv_en.asp?id={3C16F4D4-5807-43C6-A3B2-75B6296D04F7}