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To the Members of the Board Greek-German Chamber of Industry and Commerce Dorileou 10-12/IV 115 21 Athens, Greece

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Dear Members of the Board,

I am writing to express my strong interest in joining the Board of the Greek-German Chamber of Industry and Commerce in Greece. I am motivated by a clear vision of fostering a modern, sustainable, innovation-driven relationship between Germany and Greece. My experience in entrepreneurship, innovation, and sustainable development qualifies me to support the Chamber's objectives, particularly in regards to sustainable innovation and the startup ecosystem.

Both economies are uniquely positioned to lead the way in transformative sectors like energy and mutually benefit from this collaboration. Greece could export renewable energy, while Germany, with its strong industry, could import energy and export potential technologies within this field to Greece. I believe that the Chamber is the ideal platform for accelerating the transformation of both economies. In particular, I am passionate about supporting the existing H2 Alliance Greece-Germany initiative, which has the potential to become a cornerstone of Europe's green energy future by connecting key industry players and start-ups from both countries.

My intention is to help design and implement an innovation-driven platform and ecosystem within the Chamber that will attract innovative companies and build bridges between Greek ingenuity and German industrial expertise. This would involve creating a structured support platform for early-stage clean tech companies, providing access to cross-border pilots and customers, and facilitating collaboration between research institutions and private investors from both countries.

Having worked across diverse sectors with Greek and German stakeholders, I can offer a pragmatic yet visionary approach, as well as an in-depth understanding of the cultural and business dynamics of both ecosystems. If appointed to the Board, I would aim to establish the Chamber as a central facilitator of collaboration between start-ups, which I would like to see become flagship areas for joint innovation and investment.

Thank you for considering my candidacy. It would be an honour to contribute my experience, network, and passion to the Chamber's forward-looking agenda.

Kind regards, Rafail Kasapis Founder & CEO

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