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To:
Svenja Hahn President, ALDE Party
Didrik de Schaetzen Secretary General, ALDE Party

Subject: Nomination of Dan Barna for Re-election as ALDE Party Vice-President

Dear President Hahn, Dear Secretary General de Schaetzen,

On behalf of Uniunea Salvați România (USR), it is with great conviction and profound pride that I formally submit the nomination of Dan Barna for re-election to the position of Vice-President of the Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe (ALDE) Party.

Since his election at the Dublin Congress in 2022, Dan has served our European political family with distinction, dedication, and an unwavering commitment to our shared principles. During a period of unprecedented challenges for our continent, he has been a principled and effective voice within the ALDE leadership.

Dan has been a tireless champion for the values that form the very foundation of our liberal movement. His resolute advocacy for the rule of law, democratic integrity, and the fight against corruption is not merely a political position; it is a reflection of his life's work and the struggle of his home party, USR. He has consistently ensured that the fight against democratic backsliding remains at the top of the European agenda.

Furthermore, as a leader from Central and Eastern Europe, Dan has provided an indispensable perspective within the ALDE Bureau. He has been a vital bridge, ensuring that the security concerns and strategic interests of the member states on the Union's eastern flank are fully understood and integrated into our common European strategy. In this capacity, his voice in support of a sovereign, democratic, and victorious Ukraine has been clear, consistent, and powerful.

At this critical juncture for our continent, as we confront the rising tide of populism, nationalism, and illiberalism, we need leaders with proven experience and steadfast resolve. Dan Barna's experience is a critical asset. He has not only helped guide our liberal family through turbulent times but has also worked diligently to strengthen our alliance, preparing us for the recent European elections and the political battles that lie ahead.

USR offers its unequivocal support for his candidacy. We are confident that Dan Barna will continue to serve the ALDE Party with the same energy, integrity, and strategic foresight that he has demonstrated throughout his term. We believe his continued presence in the ALDE leadership is essential as we work to build a stronger, more united, and forward-looking liberal Europe.

We wholeheartedly endorse his candidacy and respectfully ask for your support in presenting it to the Congress.

Yours in our shared liberal commitment,

Dominic Fritz

