



Motivation Letter Konstantinos Papagiannis

Dear President,
Dear Rowing Friends,

The Hellenic Rowing Federation has the honor to nominate Konstantinos Papagiannis as a candidate for a position at the European Rowing Board.

Kostas has been a key figure in Greek rowing for decades, having contributed decisively to the progress of the sport in our country, firmly believing in the principles of collectivism, responsibility and participatory spirit for the sport of rowing.

Professionally, he is a Farm owner, producing agricultural products free of hazardous chemicals, under the exclusive guidance and supervision of the International Companies KIKU and KANZI and the Greek Company VELVITA BRANDS, through integrated management and contract farming.

Studied at F.I.T. New York College in 1983.

He started rowing in 1974 until 1983 as an athlete of the Kastoria Rowing Club, was declared Greek champion and was a member of the Greek National Team.

1986 - 1989 member of the Board of the Kastoria Rowing Club as General Secretary.

National Rowing Umpire since 1983.

FISA Umpire, license no 1205, since 1993. Member of Juries at Olympic Games, World Championships and World Cups for decades.

Elected as a member of the Greek Umpiring Commission 2000 – 2014, as President of the Greek Umpiring Commission 2014 – 2020 and as a member of the Board of the Hellenic Rowing Federation at 2008 to date, served as Treasurer, as Coordinator of the Greek National Team at the Seniors Category, as Events Coordinator and is Vice President from 2025 – today.

In addition to his multiple activities at the National Rowing level, he lives in the city of Kastoria - northwestern Greece – where the Rowing Club of Kastoria has produced World Champions and Olympic champions rowers. Rowing there is the national sport with the city of Kastoria having a Rowing Venue where National and International Championships are organized in which he is the permanent Director Event Manager. In general Kostas is the main liaison between the local and the National Rowing. He has participated in the Sports Committee of the Municipality of Kastoria for a long time.

Additionally, Kostas served as Coordinator at the Olympic Games - Athens 2004 and General Event Manager at the European U23 Championships 2019 at Ioannina – Greece.

He also has a great deal of social activity in his city as a member of the Volunteer Blood Donors Association, the Red Cross, the Macedonian Struggle Museum, etc.

For all the above reasons, Hellenic Rowing is hoping that you will give him the opportunity to serve as a member of the European Rowing Board.

For the **Hellenic Rowing Federation,**

The President



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