Letter of Intent

Bucharest, 25 August 2025

Dear members of the Ju-Jitsu European Union,

It is with great enthusiasm that I submit my candidacy for the position of 3rd Vice-President of the IJEU.

For more than three decades, I have been deeply committed to the growth and governance of ju-jitsu at national, European, and international levels. My experience includes serving as General Secretary of the JJIF (2010–2016), Vice-President of the JJEU (2016–2021), and Sports Director of the Fighting System within the JJIF Technical Commission (2018–2024), Director of the Ju-Jitsu Competition Organizing Committee (2004-2021 and 2023-present). More recently, I have continued my service within the Romanian Martial Arts Federation (FRAM) as a Board Member, Secretary of the Referee Committee, lecturer for instructor training courses, and currently Interim Secretary of the Ju-Jitsu Department.

In parallel, I have built a *strong professional career* as a Human Resources Director, teacher, and former university assistant-lecturer, holding a PhD in Administrative Sciences and multiple academic degrees, including recent studies in education sciences and organizational psychology. These experiences have given me the *ability to manage complex organizations*, *build teams across cultures*, *and lead with vision*, *responsibility*, *and transparency*.

As 3rd Vice-President of the JJEU, my *priorities* will be to:

- Strengthen cooperation among our member federations, while engaging with potential new members across the continent.
- Support the organization and quality of JJEU events, ensuring fairness, professionalism, and visibility at both sporting and media levels.
- Promote ethical standards, fair play, and inclusivity, with special attention to youth development and the involvement of women in leadership roles within our sport.
- Encourage innovation and collaboration with international partners to position ju-jitsu as a modern and respected discipline within the wider sporting community.

I believe that my blend of long-standing sports governance, academic achievement, and

professional leadership equips me uniquely for this role. More importantly, I bring the

dedication, integrity, and collaborative spirit required to contribute to the continued

development of the Ju-Jitsu European Union.

I respectfully ask for your trust and support in the upcoming elections, and I look forward to

working together for the benefit of our athletes, coaches, referees, and all members of our

community.

With respect and commitment,

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