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Motivation Letter [PDF]

Dear Green friends,

My name is Tomas Tomilinas, and I have been a Member of the Lithuanian Parliament since 2016. Today, I kindly ask for your support for my candidacy to the EGP Committee.

Curriculum Vitae [PDF]

My motivation is simple: the main goal of my life is to build a strong and independent Green Party in Lithuania and to strengthen the Green movement across Eastern Europe. As a Member of Parliament, I have the position, network, and experience needed to promote green ideas and translate them into real, transformative policies.

Over the years, I have worked to advance social reforms, reduce poverty, and improve climate policy. My small country has made major investments in green energy and stopped a nuclear project in 2012. I was one of the leaders of the referendum campaign against that nuclear power plant, and later served twice in the ruling coalition. Today I have more time for EGP work, because we are in opposition.

I see my role as connecting the Green movement with the everyday concerns of ordinary people—helping us reach not only voters in big cities but also those in rural regions. Within our Green family, my mission will be to deepen the debate on a new climate narrative: one that links climate action with security, biodiversity, and the future of our forests. This work has already begun.

Politics, at its core, is about storytelling. Human rights and liberal democracy are stories—powerful ones that we believe in deeply. They are better stories than those told by dictators and populists. But they are still stories, and we must tell ours better. We need to win the debate again: on the climate crisis, on the threats facing liberal democracy. We can fight dangerous ideas without fighting people. We need to persuade, inspire, and speak to our fellow citizens—yes, even our neighbours who secretly support Trump or Le Pen.

As a politician committed to human rights, equality, and democracy, I try to lead by example. In our region, too many hide in the grass instead of standing up. Politics requires clarity, courage, and seriousness—especially today, with so much noise and populism around us.

I experienced this personally. In 2021, I was expelled from my former party for voting in favour of LGBTQ+ rights in Parliament. So we built a new, Democrats party—now a proud member of the EGP. As Vice-Chair of the Party and vice of Parliamentary Committee on European Affairs, I work hard to change my country's position on EU decision-making reform, including ending the single-country veto.

My motivation comes from a deep belief that we can create a fairer, greener, and more united Europe—if we act together with honesty, courage, and hope.

Thank you for your trust, and for everything we build together as Greens.

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Birth date 1983 m. April 22
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Education
2005-2007 Mykolas Romeris University, EU Administration
2001-2005 Vilnius University Institute of International Relations and Political Science

Political experience
From 2024 Member of Parliament (Seimas)
Committee on European Affairs, Deputy Chair
Committee on Environment Protection, Member
Commission for Addiction Prevention, Member
Group for Interparliamentary Relations with the Belarus democratic forces, Member
Group for Interparliamentary Relations with the Republic of Korea, Head

2020 - 2024 Member of Parliament (Seimas)
Committee on Environment Protection, Member

2016 - 2020 Member of Parliament (Seimas)
Committee on Social Affairs, Deputy Chair
Commission for Healthy lifestyle, Member
Commission for energy and sustainable development, Member

From 2022 Political party "Union of Democrats For Lithuania ", Deputy chair

2014 - 2016 Head of national office for Member of European Parliament Bronis Ropė

2008 - 2012 MP Antanas Baura advisor

2004 - 2008 MP Laima Mogenienė assistant

Other Parliamentary activities	Special focus on protecting environment and economic interests of working families, the poor, and small business owners. Creator of a programme of financial support for housing for young families to help the regions of Lithuania, participated in designing of major social reforms (child money), campaigner for highly opposed laws (progressive taxes, alcohol control); preparation of important draft laws (e.g. mandatory disclosure of salary details in job adverts, minimisation of food waste in supermarkets, employment quota for persons with disabilities).
Supporters Partija Zelenykh Ukrainy, Zieloni, Miljøpartiet de grønne, SF - Green Left, PROGRES?VIE, GroenLinks*	
Public activities	Author of numerous social projects and initiatives, articles and three books; consultant of trade unions; specialist of adult education; co-founder of the NGO Social Investment Management Centre and political think tank Institute for Democracy (2023) and other organisations; coordinator and of party working groups for preparation of electoral programmes (2012, 2016, 2020, 2024); co-initiator of establishment of trade unions in retail chains (2007); founder of the Greens Political Group within the Peasant party (2010); coordinator of the campaign for the referendum against the nuclear power plant (2012); founder of the Union of Democrats 'For Lithuania' (2022); promoter of the ideas and historical heritage of President Kazys Grinius.
Hobbies and interests	Nature, countryside, nutritious food, reading, history.
Foreign languages	English, Polish, Russian, Belarusian, German.
	Married with four children.