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## My Program

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VOLT has started as an idea of small group of people with a clear vision for Europe. **Thank you for this.** In the last years we have seen an impressive growth in members, reach and seats in local, regional, federal and European Parliaments. **Congratulations and again a big thank you** to all the deeply engaged members!

But when **organizations start small**, they often rely on trust, proximity, and informal ways of working. **As they grow rapidly, these informal structures begin to break down.** Clear responsibilities are missing, decision-making becomes inconsistent, and processes remain undefined. **Information no longer flows efficiently**, leading to misalignment and duplication of work. **At the same time, critical tasks may be overlooked.**

**Sustainable growth therefore requires clear roles**, defined processes, and strong organizational alignment. **As an experienced business manager**, I can help to improve structure, clarity, and accountability by defining roles, streamlining processes, and establishing effective governance.

In a time marked by geopolitical uncertainty—including the weakening of NATO and the erosion of long-standing alliances—the need for a united, democratic, and decisive Europe has never been greater. Therefore, the establishment and the follow up of **actions to push the implementation of a United States of Europe forward** will be the dominant part of contributions on a strategic level.

VOLT has a message and we need to make it heard. The **creation of a powerful, long term oriented, and comprehensive communication campaign** is essential to develop VOLT forward. The campaign requires **the involvement of all functions** and all chapters of the movement and this is what I would like to ensure personally.

Resources are needed to drive the campaign forward and consequently we must build **stronger and more structured fundraising capabilities** and engage **patrons and supporters with the financial means** to scale our impact. The transparent implementation, supported by all functions and chapters of VOLT is my task.

Equally **important is accountability**. I aim to ensure that the VOLT community clearly understands how all parts of the organization—Board, Co-Presidents, Members of Parliament, and national chapters—**contribute to shared objectives**. A regular, open reporting will be key to me.

All activities must **remain firmly grounded in VOLT's values**, integrity, and legal responsibilities. Strong oversight and governance will therefore be at the core of my role.

### Objectives

Overall, I want to support the growth of VOLT and **help in the transition from an initiative towards a political power** by providing structure, guidance, and ideas.

My focus will be on impact:

1. **Strive for the United States of Europe** – a coordinated approach
2. **Make VOLT Heard** – comprehensive communication campaign
3. **Fund Growth** – transparent, intensified fund raising
4. **Strengthen Accountability** – internal communication of functions
5. **Uphold Integrity** – full compliance