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Dear Fellow Members,

I am putting my name forward for the role of Chair of the European Chamber Human Resource Forum.

The European Chamber has provided me with an amazing opportunity to meet leaders from across Europe, North America and China. When I first arrived, it was an important part of my introduction to China; over the years, helping me to deepen my understanding of the complexity of the issues for companies and individuals in China. It has been important for me to participate not only in the HR Forum but also the events of the Working Groups and other Forums. The European Chamber Annual Conference brings together so many well-informed leaders and has provided an opportunity to learn and listen.

For the past four years I have been a part of the Human Resources Forum, as a Vice Chair and Chair. As an active volunteer member of the HR Forum Team with Graeme Wallace and Flora Yim, we have tried to respond to the needs of our HR community creating events from smaller intimate groups, to the HR Conference that attracts over 100 HR professionals every year. We have benefitted from the support of the member organizations of the European Chamber, their CEOs, Presidents, Managing Directors, VPs of HR, HR Directors, and HR Managers. These busy professionals have been loyal partners helping us to provide excellent speakers and panels on so many business- critical issues.

As an Executive Coach and European Chamber Member, it has been important for me personally, that we use our platform to help our HR members develop their personal presenting skills. We have many successful examples of this work over the last four years. This is also an opportunity to create a platform for an exchange of ideas, a place to challenge old ones. I hope to have the opportunity to continue to support the Chamber, the Members and to respond to the needs of our Human Resources community with topics of relevance and with well-informed speakers from a variety of views and opinions.

I am currently Managing Director, Cornerstone International Group with responsibilities across Asia Pacific. (Beijing, Vancouver and Seattle) As a member of the Board of Directors, for Cornerstone International, I lead the Global Practice Group for Executive Coaching and Leadership Development.

Best regards,

Laurie O'Donnell