



**European Chamber**  
中国欧盟商会

**Candidate Motivation Letter**

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<b>Position</b>	Board Member
<b>Chapter</b>	Shenyang



**Motivation Letter**

Dear Members of the European Chamber of Commerce,

I am honoured to apply to renew my position at the Board of the European Chamber of Commerce in Shenyang.

I have been living and working in Dalian for 19 years where I founded and manage the French shipyard ODC Marine. We build innovative aluminum working boats mainly for export markets under our own brand and distribute in North East China the French brands of yacht Beneteau and Lagoon.

Between 2009 and 2015 we have been representing the sistership Le Havre and Dalian and since 2015 I have been appointed French Foreign Trade Advisor (CCEF).

Since 2016 I am also local representative for the French Chamber of Commerce in Dalian.

Scaling up my commitment to support French business in China at the European level makes a lot of sense to me and I would be very honored to promote and support the interests of the European Chamber of Commerce here in North-Est China and more specifically in Dalian.

Yours sincerely,

Stephane GONNETAND

**Biography**

I was born in Grenoble France in 1978, did my studies in Grenoble, Clermont-Ferrand, Paris, Singapore and Tokyo then moved to Dalian where I settled in 2004.

2006 - Present: Founder & Associate Director ODC Marine, Innovative Shipbuilding

2009 - 2015: Local Representative sistership Le Havre Dalian

2004 - 2006: Supply Chain Manager Nanotec International

Education: Ecole Centrale Paris, Nanyang Technological University (Singapore) and IFMA France

Degrees: Master and Research Master

Member of the Board EUCCC Shenyang Chapter

Representative for the French Chamber of Commerce in Dalian

French Trade Advisor

Dalian Honorary Citizen

Advisor for the Government of Dalian

Supervisor for the Business Environment Construction Bureau of Liaoning