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Lisbon, December 4th, 2023

Dear Mr Secretary General

Patrick A. Dillen

My name is Lucília Gago and I hereby send this letter proposing the application of Madam lawyer Fernanda de Almeida Pinheiro for the role of Vice-president of the European Bars Federation (FBE).

Madam lawyer Fernanda de Almeida Pinheiro has been practising the roles of Member of the Institute of Access to Law (2010-2012) and the Institute of Support to Lawyers as Sole Practitioners (2014-2016).

She was also involved in the organization of the first referendum of the Portuguese Bar Association where the matter of attributing social rights to Portuguese lawyers was discussed and voted (2021).

All this activity and dedication to the lawyer's cause, as well as her traits of strong and determined personality, have led to her election, in the year 2022, as President of the Portuguese Bar Association, a role that she will perform until 2025.

Madam lawyer Fernanda de Almeida Pinheiro's possibility of assuming a place at the Presidency of said Federation will, for its relevance and magnitude, constitute an honour for Portugal and for the Portuguese lawyers who will certainly face such nomination and election with pride.

Furthermore, with Portugal not occupying any place under that organization for so long, such nomination will assure the presidency's diversity, while also allowing a better assurance of the interest of European law and justice.



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Myself, as General Attorney of the Portuguese Republic, taking into account the work capacity, competence and assertiveness of Madam lawyer in reference, consider that presenting this applications consists in added value for the European Federation.

I present my most respectful regards,

The General Attorney of the Portuguese Republic

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Lucília Gago