

Mr Boyko BORISSOV, Chairman of GERB, Prime  
Minister of Bulgaria  
Mr Atanas ATANASOV, Chairman of DSB  
Mr Dimitar DELCHEV, Chairman of BCM  
Mr Rumen HRISTOV, Chairman of UDF

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Dear Prime Minister,  
Dear Chairmen,

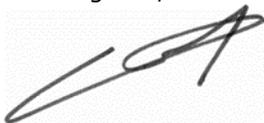
The European elections of 26 May 2019 will be a crucial moment both for the EPP and the EU, an opportunity for us to defend the values of a political family which is deeply rooted in the history and civilisation of the European continent and which has always been the driving force behind European integration.

Today Europe is at a crossroads, in an environment of increasing instability where forces from both inside and outside the EU are attempting to destabilise us. If we want to continue working for the kind of Europe we believe in – a democratic, transparent, prosperous and efficient Europe, close to its citizens, defending its cultural diversity and strong social market economy – we need to stand united and face these challenges together.

Considering what is at stake in these elections, I call on all the members of the EPP political family in Bulgaria to make the most responsible choice and present Bulgarian citizens with a united front. Only by standing together will we be able to avoid a dispersion of votes which would benefit populist and anti-European forces. Only by working together will we maximise our representation in the European Parliament and ensure that our Spitzenkandidat, Manfred Weber, becomes the next President of the European Commission. With the EPP at its helm, I am sure Europe will rise to the challenges it is facing – such as security, the protection of our external borders, growth and jobs, climate change – which require us to join all our forces.

The EPP values each and every member of its family. Each of us must play their role in upholding our common values and protecting the European project that we pioneered and built over the decades, and I know that I can count on the full commitment of all our EPP member parties in Bulgaria to achieve this goal.

Best regards,



Joseph Daul  
EPP President