БЪЛГАРСКА ФЕДЕРАЦИЯ КОЛОЕЗДЕНЕ (БФК) BULGARIAN CYCLING FEDERATION (BCF)

To Mr. Enrico Della Casa General Secretary UNION EUROPÉENNE DE CYCLISME Maison du Sport International Avenue de Rhodanie 54 Switzerland 1007 Lausanne

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Date: 04-02-2021

Regarding: Candidature for the UEC Management Board

Dear Mr. President and General Secretary,

On behalf of the Bulgarian Cycling Federation (BCF), I would like to bring to your attention the candidature of Mr. Dragomir Kouzov – President of BCF for the Management Board of UNION EUROPÉENNE DE CYCLISME.

Please, find below curriculum vitae and motivational letter of Mr. Kouzov.

Thank you in advance for considering our nomination.

Kind Regards,

Borislav Ivanov

General Secretary

Bulgarian Cycling Federation











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Dear Mr. President, Dear UCI Members, Dear Cyclist and friends,

With a great honor, I am writing to express my motivation and present my candidature for a member of the UEC Management Board. I am convinced that as an individual who has devoted a big part of his life into all kinds of cycling related activities, I have the necessary skills to support the Management Board in the best possible manner.

Being a rider and *Master of Sport in cycling* myself and later translating into a certified *cycling coach* at the *Russian university*, where I have completed my *higher education* has given me the first person perspective of the sport.

Later, in the role of a business owner I have started with bicycle repairs in a small workshop in Sofia. In 2000 I had built my first DRAG bicycle which after allowed me to gain valuable insights about the cycling industry, organize multiple international events, become a team manager myself and have also won the trust of a number of Continental teams and National federations.

Further, as a co-founder of the *Bulgarian Association of Bicycle Manufacturers*, a member of the *Advisory committee on bicycle infrastructure at Sofia council*, co-founder of the *Bulgarian Electric Vehicles Association* and a member of the Managing Council of the Confederation of Employers and *Industrialists in Bulgaria*, I have gained knowledge and contacts that allowed me to productively promote the position of our sport. Proudly, I was given a role as a member of the UCI Equipment Commission, which let me to get a better overview of how we make the race conditions equal to all participants and increase safety.

Today, in my role as a *President of the new Bulgarian Cycling Federation*, I am proud to say that in a period of one year and the solid relationship with the UEC and UCI, we have successfully revived the 67th *International Cycling Tour of Bulgaria* and hosted the 2020 Elite European Track Championship in Plovdiv, Bulgaria. With a number of the world's best riders taking part and promoting the sport throughout all age groups and regions we saw the potential of this facility and are now planning to establish a Regional Cycling Center in Plovdiv.

I believe that with this role, I have gained experiences which have proved to be successful when it comes to developing cycling as a sport for both youth and professional riders.

Being passionate about all kinds of cycling, and having the background which is a proof of the driving force behind initiatives to increase the popularity and safety of cycling in not only Bulgaria, but throughout the world among all age groups, I believe that I have the right skill set required to support the UEC Management Board in the most productive way.

Given all of the above-mentioned experiences that have allowed me to gain a broad overview of the cycling scene and to enter the shoes of multiple stakeholders.

Yours sincerely,

Dragomir Kouzov











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DRAGOMIR KOUZOV

President
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Languages: Bulgarian, Russian, English



Profile

Results oriented, hands-on professional with entrepreneurial drive and strong leadership, networking and international partnerships. Dedicated to maintaining high quality standards.

Professional achievements

1978 – 1982	Graduated with Master's degree of bicycle sports in the Sports Faculty of the
	University in Yaroslavl, Russia
1983 – 1998	Created one of the first bicycle services and bicycle stores in Sofia
1985 – 1989	Cycling coach in club Levski Spartak, Sofia
1998 - Present	Established Velomania Ltd. Company for bicycle production and trade;
	created the DRAG Bicycles brand, one of the leading Bulgarian bicycle brand

Membership in organizations

2003 – 2008	Association of the Bicycle Producers in Bulgaria (ABPB) – President
2008 – Present	Association of the Bicycle Producers in Bulgaria (ABPB) – Vice President
2008 – 2015	Bulgarian Electric Vehicles Association (BAEPS) – Member of the Board
2014 – Present	Azerbaijan-Bulgarian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (ABCCI) – Vice
	President
2014 – 2018	Managing Council of the Confederation of Employers and Industrialists in
	Bulgaria (KRIB) – Member of the Board
2017 – Present	Equipment and Fight against technological fraud Commission Union Cycliste
	Internationale (UCI) – Member
2019 – Present	Bulgarian Cycling Federation (BCF) – President













Mr. Rocco CATTANEO UEC President

Mr. Enrico DELLA CASA UEC General Secretary

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Sofia, 4 February 2021

Dear President, Dear General Secretary,

First of all we hope that our letter will find you in good health!

The purpose of this letter is to express the support of the Bulgarian Olympic Committee for the candidacy of the President of the Bulgarian Cycling Federation, Mr. Dragomir KOUZOV, for a Member of the UEC Management Board.

Although a recently elected President of the Bulgarian Cycling federation, Mr. Kousov made great efforts to return the good name of Bulgarian cycling to the international stage. In 2020, despite the difficult conditions caused by Covid-19, the International Cycling Tour of Bulgaria was successfully held, as well as the UEC Elite Track European Championships in Plovdiv.

The organizational skills, managerial experience of Mr. Kouzov, his relations and understanding of the world of cycling and his commitment to the ideas and values of the sport make us feel free to recommend him for this position.

We have no doubt that he will commit himself to the term of office of UEC Management Board with devotion and enthusiasm in the interests of the European Cycling.

Looking forward to our continuous cooperation and wishing you the very best of success in all your activities, I remain,

Sincerely Yours,

Belcho Goranov Secretary General

Bulgarian Olympic Committee