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BRIEF BIOGRAPHY:

Jan Peter was member of the BOD of Amcham in Ukraine starting December 2020, in this role he was overseeing the Media&communications, IPR and Mobile Telephony committees. His main focus was on improving effectiveness of the specific committees such that members interests will be served best.

Jan Peter brought to Microsoft over 20 years of sales and management experience with IT services and digital transformation. He has a long track record of leading teams to success.

As a Country Manager of Microsoft in Ukraine, Jan Peter continues on driving strategic growth and transformation of the Ukrainian market, adding value and making a strong contribution to the overall success of the digitization of the country in which he sees the opportunities and tremendous potential and growth.

He's becoming actively engaged in the activities in Ukraine, with a plan to continue Microsoft's engagement not in the digitization only, but also in philanthropies, education and overall progress of Ukraine.

Jan Peter graduated with a master in Astronomy at the Leiden University in The Netherlands. Thanks to scientific research at the beginning of his career, and his passion about the applicable project management, he shifted from pure science to business.

Before joining Microsoft, he worked in IBM based in Netherlands, France, Spain, and then in Prague. He was lucky enough to work with amazing clients across the region, successfully engaging in Ukraine too.

While Jan Peter enjoys all aspects of his professional life, he loves to spend his free time outside, exploring Ukraine, skiing and hiking.

Why do you think membership in the American Chamber of Commerce is important for business operating in Ukraine?

Through expertise and best practices from abroad, the ACC and its members can lobby for the much-needed changes that lead to a better business climate in Ukraine. A membership in the ACC bundles members interests leading to stronger impact.

What motivates you to be a Chamber Board Member?

After one year as member of the Board of Directors; I have been onboarding and started to focus on effectiveness of individual committees. Next year I will leverage my experience to further drive effectiveness and impact while keeping our values high. This to ensure our that our members interests will be served in the best possible way.

The goals of the Chamber – make doing business in Ukraine better – are aligned with mine and by joining the Chamber as a Board member I expect to strengthen the existing team to have more impact.

However, fast changing developments in the country also provide an opportunity to help shape the future. As the Ukrainian chamber is considered to be one of the most influential organizations in the country, I see the opportunity for the Chamber to impact is now.

And finally, I consider the values of ACC are paramount for lasting success!

Why do you feel you are qualified to serve on the Chamber Board? What skills would you bring to the Board?

Over 20 years' experience with driving change, be it technological, organizational, or behavioral, especially with introducing and creating acceptance of changes; trust, integrity, transparency, and compliance are the basis of my professional career.

During my career I gained the necessary Leadership skills to drive the ACC agenda and to create impact as well strong B2B and B2G relationship skills.

I am creative and persistent and believe work in ACC should be fun as well.

How have you been active in the Chamber over the course of the last two years?

Yes; from Dec 2020 till now

What activity or Committee would you participate in and be responsible for?

Currently I am overseeing three committees: Media & Communications, IPR and Mobile Telephony committees.