

## 2025 AMERICAN CHAMBER BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTIONS



YOUR FULL NAME:
Artem Prykhodko
YOUR JOB TITLE:
General Manager
YOUR COMPANY:
Intercontinental Kyiv
YOUR BRIEF BIOGRAPHY (250-300 words):

Born in Kyiv, I was fortunate to enjoy both my base and higher education while living, studying, and working in Vienna, Austria. This international experience gave me valuable exposure to different cultures and perspectives, laying a solid foundation for a diverse career spanning multiple industries.

I spent seven years with Ukraine International Airlines in Vienna, focusing on sales, where I developed expertise in customer service and market dynamics. Following this, I transitioned to the automotive sector, working for three years with VW Reiländer, where I managed both sales and inventory operations. These



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roles provided essential operational insights and practical experience that later shaped my success in the hospitality industry.

For the past 13 years, I have been with InterContinental Kyiv, steadily advancing from sales and marketing roles to my current position as General Manager, a role I have proudly held for the last five years. I am honored to be the first Ukrainian national to achieve this position within a managed 5-star international hotel chain in Ukraine.

In parallel with my professional journey, I earned an Executive MBA from Kyiv-Mohyla Business School, focusing on building strategies, creating value, and optimizing business environments. I am deeply passionate about defining meaningful visions and missions and executing them through well-planned, actionable strategies.

Over the years, I have cultivated strong relationships with business leaders and government officials, allowing me to engage the right stakeholders and influence key decisions. Recognized for my dynamic leadership, strategic thinking, and problem-solving abilities, I prioritize operational performance while maintaining the hotel's prestigious reputation within the business and diplomatic communities.

Driven by a passion for continuous improvement, I remain committed to achieving exceptional results, even in complex and challenging environments.

#### **ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS:**

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

Membership in the American Chamber of Commerce provides businesses with numerous advantages, including valuable networking opportunities, access to advocacy efforts, and a platform for effective dialogue with government entities. Through this membership, companies can gain critical market insights, stay informed on regulatory changes, and benefit from industry-specific resources. The Chamber also enhances the credibility of member organizations, positioning them as trusted players within their industries. Additionally, it plays a key role in shaping policies that impact business environments, promoting favorable conditions for growth. Members enjoy participation in events, access to strategic partnerships, and opportunities for professional development, all of which foster sustainable business expansion and innovation.

What motivates you to be the Chamber Board Member?

I am deeply committed to ensuring that the Chamber continues to thrive as a dynamic platform for business development and a reliable advocate for the interests of our community. My passion lies in fostering



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collaboration, encouraging innovation, and creating opportunities that benefit all members. With fresh energy and a strong focus on teamwork, I aim to leverage my experience, skills, and network of connections to support the Chamber's mission and strategic goals. By working together, we can enhance our collective success, expand our influence, and ensure the Chamber remains a powerful force for positive economic growth and community impact. am deeply passionate about ensuring the Chamber remains a vibrant platform for business development and a trusted advocate for our community. With fresh energy, collaborative spirit, and a commitment to our collective success, I am eager to contribute my experience and connections to drive the Chamber's mission forward and amplify our impact.

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

Throughout my career, I have cultivated strong relationships with both business leaders and government officials, enabling me to engage the right stakeholders and influence important decisions effectively. These connections allow me to bridge gaps between sectors, ensuring alignment on key initiatives. My expertise in communication and collaboration has been instrumental in uniting diverse groups with different perspectives, fostering mutual understanding, and building consensus. I excel at creating momentum and driving progress toward shared objectives, even in complex situations. By leveraging these skills, I aim to inspire action, promote meaningful partnerships, and contribute to sustainable growth and long-term success for all involved.

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

Co-Chair in the Hospitality & Tourism Committee. Raising the issues of the hospitality and tourism industry to the government representaives. Continous discussion on key points regarding the Law of Ukraine  $N^{\circ}$  324/95-BP "On Tourism" and changes to hotel categorization standards.

Participating in various sessions of different commitees. Participating in networking events.

Hosting and ensuring high quality events of the ACC at InterContinental Kyiv.

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

Hospitality & Tourism Committee.

Development of the Ukraininan Medical Hub.



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Are you a member of the Board of Directors of similar associations?

NO