



HELLENIC REPUBLIC
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
DEPUTY MINISTER

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Dear Mr. Oberlein,

The news on Greek-German Association Filia-Verbert being awarded by the North Rhine-Westphalian state government, has brought about to us Greeks feelings of joy and national pride, thus allow me to congratulate you.

Volunteering, participating, networking, activities to which your Association has been dedicated for years constitute a significant task of civil society, foster the common European values of solidarity and social cohesion.

Therefore, the Filia-Verbert recognition as an important civil society actor was well deserved and anticipated. Besides, it is a token of the active Greek-German friendship and collaboration in all fields, as well as Greek diaspora's dynamic participation to the social life and progress in Europe.

Availing this opportunity, I would like to reiterate to you our best wishes for your noble future endeavors, as well as our willingness to stand by your side and support efforts, with the view to further enhancing Greek-German ties to the benefit of both People.

Sincerely,



Giorgos Kotsiras

*Mr. Gerriet Oberlein,
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