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It is an honor to present to all of you my name as candidate for the Vice Presidency of our organization. First, I want to thank you for the opportunity to participate in this process and to recognize the work of those currently serving on the board, for their commitment to strengthening our profession.

I am running with the firm conviction that the role of the engineer goes far beyond design and construction. We are agents of change, responsible not only for infrastructure, but also for the well-being of our communities, sustainable development, innovation, and professional ethics.

My vision as Vice President is based on three fundamental pillars:

First, to strengthen the participation of young engineers. We need to create more opportunities for training, mentorship, and leadership for the new generations. They are the present and future of our profession, and we must empower them with real tools, experiences, and responsibilities.

Second, to promote continuous education and professional development. We live in a rapidly changing world, and as an organization, we must facilitate access to cutting-edge knowledge, emerging technologies, and best practices to remain competitive and relevant.

Third, to foster national and international collaboration. Today more than ever, we must build networks with other organizations, universities, and public and private institutions—both locally and globally. Engineering is global and so must be our actions.

I do not intend to do this alone. I believe in teamwork, in active listening, and in collaborative decision-making. As Vice President, my commitment will be to serve as a bridge among members—a voice that listens, connects, and builds.

I stand here today because I believe in the transformative power of engineering and in the potential each of us has to make a difference. I ask for your vote of confidence, not just for me, but for a shared vision of the future: inclusive, innovative, and professionally strong.

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a) Costa Rican College of Engineers and Architects (CFIA)

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Academic Degrees

- 2001 Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering, Isaac Newton University
- 2001 Licentiate in Civil Engineering, Isaac Newton University
- 2018 Pursuing Master's in Project Management, University for International Cooperation
- **2018** Pursuing Master's in BIM Management for Infrastructure and Civil Engineering

Languages

• English: Upper-Intermediate

• French: Upper-Intermediate

Teaching Experience

- Professor at Inter-American University of Costa Rica (May 2004 May 2007), subjects: Transportation and Pavements
- Professor at Isaac Newton University (October 2025 Present)

Professional Experience

- Oct 2001 Jan 2005 Quality Engineer, Quality Verification Unit, Road Maintenance Department, CONAVI overseeing field and laboratory quality assurance for national road projects
- Jan 2005 May 2005 Civil Engineering Consultant for Soares da Costa, Costa Rica
- Jun 2005 Mar 2018 Regional Representative for EUROESTUDIOS, SL (Spain) in Central America, Mexico, and the Caribbean, managing various engineering projects (road design, development plans, solid waste management, supervision of infrastructure)
- Apr 2018 Jul 2021 Technical Manager at CACISA; roles included Technical Advisor, Project Manager (School Infrastructure, 2019), Materials Laboratory Setup (Panama, 2019), Road Administration
- Currently:
 - General Manager, Sánchez & Barrantes S.A. (Construction & Civil Engineering)
 - o General Manager, Euroestudios Ingenieros Consultores S.A.
 - Project Director, Constructora Presbere S.A., working with Santa Ana and Coronado municipalities and Cervantes District Council

International Representation

- May 2007 Mar 2017 Legal Representative of EUROESTUDIOS, SL (Spain) in Costa Rica
- Aug 2007 Mar 2018 Representative of EUROESTUDIOS, SL in Nicaragua, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Belize, Dominican Republic, Jamaica, and Haiti
- May 2017 Mar 2018 Representative of GETINSA (Spain) in Costa Rica

Other Roles

- Since Dec 2001 Real estate appraisals for individuals and construction firms
- **Since Dec 2001** Design and construction of residential homes, commercial spaces, and industrial buildings
- Since Oct 2021 Court Expert for CFIA

Courses and Certifications

• Over 30 professional development courses

Conferences, Seminars, Forums, and Assemblies

Participation in over 60 national and international events from 2003 to 2024, including ASCE Annual Conferences, UPADI Conventions, WFEO General Assemblies, Civil Engineering Congresses across Latin America, Europe, Asia, and Africa.

Speaker Engagements

- Speaker, II Topographic Engineering Student Congress *The Importance of Topography in Engineering Projects*, Nov 2017, Costa Rica
- Speaker, Civil Engineering Summit, Sep 2019, Lisbon, Portugal

Professional Memberships

- Member, Colegio Federado de Ingenieros y de Arquitectos de Costa Rica CFIA
- Member, Costa Rican Road and Highway Association
- Member, ASCE President, Costa Rica Chapter (2019–2021), Past-President (2021–2023)
- President, Board of the Colegio de Ingenieros Civiles de Costa Rica (2016–2018)
- Director General, CFIA Board of Directors (2016–2020)
- Comptroller, CFIA General Board (2017–2018)
- President, Federation of Costa Rican Professional Associations (2017)
- Board Member, INTECO (2018–2022)
- Secretary, Colegio de Ingenieros Civiles, Board (2018–2020)
- Member, CFIA Mutual Fund Board (2017–2020)
- Executive Committee Member, World Council of Civil Engineers (since 2017)
- Treasurer, World Council of Civil Engineers (2018–2021)
- President, World Council of Civil Engineers (2024–2027)
- National Member, WFEO Executive Committee (2019–2025)

Quality Management

- Participated in over 140 audits for inspection bodies and materials laboratories in Costa Rica and Panama under INTE-ISO/IEC 17025:2017 and INTE-ISO/IEC 17020:2012
- Member, ECA Accreditation Committee (2020–2025)
- Alternate Member, Technical Committee for Inspection Bodies, ECA (2016–2018)
- Member, INTECO Board of Directors (2018–2021)

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