

2 December 2020

Professor Dr. Andrew Ullmann Member of Parliament Free Democratic Party, Germany

Dear Dr. Ullmann:

On behalf of the Council of Asian Liberals and Democrats (CALD), I would like to convey our sincere appreciation to you for sharing an empowering keynote address during our 42nd Executive Committee Meeting last 26 November 2020, on the occasion of CALD's 13th General Assembly.

We are truly grateful that you took the time out of your busy schedule to share your thoughts on how we can protect and promote scientific and evidence-based policy decision-making in the post-pandemic era.

The members of the CALD Executive Committee also wish to express their gratitude for the continued partnership of your party, the Free Democratic Party (FDP), as well as of the Friedrich Naumann Foundation for Freedom (FNF), with Asian Liberals and Democrats. We remain hopeful that when the pandemic is over, we will be able to convene and meet in person again to strengthen and sustain our collaboration to address common challenges in Europe and Asia.

We are hopeful that, together as liberals and democrats, we can overcome the problems confronting us. We will continue to support and empower each other as we respond to our people's call for dignity, human rights, justice, and good governance.

Again, thank you for rekindling the democratic spirit among Liberals and Democrats in Asia. We wish you good health.

Sincerely,

Francis "Kiko" Pangilinan CALD Chairperson Senator, Republic of the Philippines