Dear Members of the Selection Committee,

I hereby submit my application for the position of Member of the Board of Trustees of Moholy-Nagy University of Art and Design (MOME), together with this letter and the attached documents.

MOME is Hungary's leading creative and design institution, with the strategic ambition of becoming the best university in its field in Central and Eastern Europe. I believe that the period ahead requires Board members who not only ensure compliance with financial and legal requirements, but also regard the university's faculty and student community as partners, while respecting the decision-making authority of the Senate and the principle of academic freedom.

My application is motivated by my strong commitment to MOME.

My professional career, my experience gained at the institution—which has been acquired predominantly at MOME and its predecessor institutions—and my expertise are well aligned with the requirements set out in the call for applications. I have gained extensive knowledge and experience in the field of design culture, as well as in the organization and delivery of design education.

I have been a member of the institution's staff for 43 years. From the very beginning of my career, my professional experience has been remarkably diverse. In addition to my teaching experience—including Preliminary Studies in Design and postgraduate training for art teachers—I have served as a member of state examination and/or admissions committees and also participated in other professional bodies within the university.
I have an in-depth understanding of how MOME operates and I am deeply committed to serving the interests of our students. I have worked as a library director for 26 years and have successfully secured funding through several EU and other grant programs giving me a solid understanding of financial and administrative processes as well. I know the MOME community well, while my professional role to date has also afforded me a degree of independence, as the library belongs to the entire university community. Through my extensive professional network and experience, I have developed a broad perspective that I believe would enable me to bring an objective and impartial approach to the role. I have also completed leadership training.

Throughout my career, I have been involved in both innovation management and the design sector, and I have closely followed the ways in which art and design education needs to respond to the market, technological, and sustainability challenges of the 21st century. As a member of the Board of Trustees, my aim would be to support and serve MOME's wide-ranging activities in education, arts, and the various fields of design culture.

As a member of the Board of Trustees, I consider the following priorities particularly important:

- the autonomy of the university;
- restoring cooperation with the Senate and student representatives;
- supporting MOME's integration into the global and European higher education and research landscape, thereby enhancing the university's international visibility;

- ensuring that the assets entrusted to the Board are managed efficiently and transparently, solely in support of excellence in education and research;
- facilitating the consensus-based development and adoption of MOME's future operational framework.

I meet the professional and leadership criteria set out in the call for applications and hereby declare that there are no public office or political conflicts of interest that would prevent my appointment. I am committed to contributing my expertise and professional network to MOME's long-term success.

Budapest, 11 July 2026

Yours sincerely,

Lévai Klára
applicant

Attachments:

- CV
- Copy of diploma/certificate of educational qualification
- Declaration
- Certificate of good conduct