

## **VALUES STATEMENT LUCERNE DIALOGUE INITIATIVE**

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### **Preamble.**

We are driven by the conviction that a democratic, liberal and sovereign Europe is the best place to do business and to live. We therefore advocate for a strong Europe and its values.

### **A Europe of Values.**

Lucerne Dialogue stands for a Europe founded on democracy and the rule of law, as well as respect for human dignity. For us, individual freedom and responsibility are inseparably linked to reliable institutions, open societies, and the protection of minorities.

We are committed to the liberal social market economy as Europe's economic model. Within this framework, we promote personal responsibility, a willingness to perform, and innovation. The interplay between meritocracy and social balance forms the foundation for sustainable growth, trust, and long-term stability and prosperity.

### **A Strong Europe in the World.**

We see Europe as a community of values that can and must act sovereignly. As such, Europe is founded on cooperation, dialogue and decisive joint action. For us, European sovereignty means having the capacity and the will to take key political, economic, and technological geostrategic decisions autonomously and independently – in line with our democratic principles.

### **An Initiative for a Strong Europe.**

Lucerne Dialogue creates spaces for open and impactful dialogue. We bring together leaders from diverse backgrounds and political persuasions across the continent who share our commitment to European values. They are ready to take responsibility and to shape Europe's future in line with its values and identity – especially in times of great uncertainty.