



British Chamber of Commerce
in the Slovak Republic

Elections to the Board of Directors of the British Chamber of Commerce in the Slovak Republic

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Quality Director, Jaguar Land Rover, Nitra, Slovakia
Member of the Board of Directors BCC SR

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Director, KPMG BUSINESS INSTITUTE, KPMG Slovensko, s.r.o.
Vice-President of the Board of Directors BCC SR

Heretik Vačoková Ivana

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Remenárová Miroslava

President, Business & Professional Women NGO
President of the Board of Directors BCC SR

Szattler Eduard

Partner, Vojčík & Partners, s.r.o.
Vice-President of the Board of Directors BCC SR

Štefánik Bruno

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Richard Bright

Quality Director

Jaguar Land Rover, Nitra, Slovakia

Member of the Board of Directors BCC SR



Why am I running for the office of a member of the Board of Directors?

Dear members of the British Chamber of Commerce,

It has been a privilege to serve as an active Board Member of the British Chamber of Commerce in the Slovak Republic for the past four years, representing JLR's valued partnership with the Chamber.

As a member of the executive board, I have played an active role in supporting a diverse programme of events and initiatives that bring value to our members. From flagship occasions such as the New Year Musical Charity Evening to more informal social networking events and insightful seminars, supporting opportunities that foster collaboration, knowledge exchange, and meaningful business connections.

Having lived in Slovakia for eight years, I bring both local experience and an international perspective as a British citizen representing a globally respected British brand. This dual perspective allows me to strengthen UK-Slovakia business relationships and contribute to the Chamber's continued relevance and influence.

I am seeking re-election to the Board because I remain committed to the Chamber's future. I am motivated to contribute to its strategic direction and help unlock new opportunities for our members. I believe my experience, enthusiasm, and network, position me to continue adding meaningful value to BritCham Slovakia.

I would be honoured to continue serving and supporting the Chamber as it evolves, grows, and strengthens its role as a leading voice in the business community.

About the Candidate

Responsible for product and engineering quality for Land Rover Defender and Discovery vehicles manufactured in Nitra, Slovakia. Ensuring that the production plant is compliant with IATF 16949 certification and our customer focussed Quality standards are upheld.

28 years' experience in automotive manufacturing, with a career spreading across Honda of the UK manufacturing and Jaguar Land Rover in both the UK and Slovakia. Time spent across many areas, including Launch, Engineering, production and Quality. Overseeing the construction of the new plant in Slovakia and the successful launches of both the Discovery and Defender products.

Tatiana Hargašová

Director

KPMG BUSINESS INSTITUTE

KPMG Slovensko, s.r.o.

Vice-President of the Board of Directors BCC SR



Why am I running for the office of a member of the Board of Directors?

Dear members of the British Chamber of Commerce,

I am honoured to stand as a candidate for a Board Member position on behalf of KPMG. Having served on the Board since 2022, including in my current role as Vice-President, I am keen to continue contributing to the Chamber's development.

Building on our work in raising awareness of ESG and regulatory topics, I would now like to place stronger emphasis on pay transparency and future skills. These areas are becoming critical for member companies, especially in the context of evolving legislation and the growing impact of AI and automation on the labour market.

At the same time, I remain committed to strengthening collaboration among member companies and supporting knowledge sharing across the Chamber.

About the Candidate

Tatiana is the Head of KPMG Business Institute which provides technical, personal development and innovative training courses for companies. She has extensive experience identifying client needs in terms of upskilling their employees and writing and delivering bespoke courses. Tatiana used to manage the Slovak branch of a UK based professional education company and worked as an auditor at KPMG.

Tatiana has been a volunteer lecturer in the Train the Trainer programme for secondary school and university teachers for over 10 years.

Ivana Heretik Vačoková

General Manager

Talent Solutions, s.r.o

Member of the Board of Directors BCC SR



Why am I running for the office of a member of the Board of Directors?

Dear Members of the British Chamber of Commerce,

As my current two-year term on the Board of Directors is coming to an end, I would like to express my interest in continuing to serve on the Board of British Chamber of Commerce for another term.

Over the past two years, I have actively contributed to the Chamber's activities and community by supporting member engagement, encouraging companies to join our network, I have organized and participated in events focused on topics that I strongly believe are important for the future of our business environment in Slovakia.

My professional role as General Manager at Talent Solutions s.r.o., together with my international experience, has allowed me to bring perspectives from both local and global markets, particularly in the areas of workforce trends and leadership. Throughout my term, I have focused especially on topics related to the labour market, equal pay, diversity and inclusion, AI, and the future of work. I have also been proud to contribute as a mentor in the Equilibrium mentoring programme supporting female talent and leadership development.

What I value most about the British Chamber of Commerce is its ability to connect people, businesses, and ideas across industries and cultures. I believe these connections are increasingly important, and I would be honoured to continue supporting the Chamber's mission by helping strengthen the business community in Slovakia, fostering meaningful dialogue, and contributing wherever my experience and energy can bring value.

It has been a privilege to serve on the Board, and I would greatly appreciate the opportunity to continue contributing to the Chamber and its members.

About the Candidate

As General Manager at Talent Solutions, Ivana Heretik Vačoková oversees the operations, strategy, and growth of one of the leading recruitment agencies in Slovakia, with full P&L and budgeting responsibility across three companies. With 20 years of experience in the recruitment industry, she has a proven track record of delivering results, developing talent, and driving innovation.

She is passionate about creating value for clients, candidates, and employees by providing high-quality, customized, and efficient recruitment solutions. Throughout her career, she has successfully led and managed multiple projects, tenders, and FDI consultancy initiatives across Europe, working with strategic international clients and partners. She has also implemented global policies and processes, improved performance management, and facilitated internal training and development. She is fluent in English and German and has strong knowledge of local and regional markets.

Katarína Pšenáková

Head of Communication
TESCO STORES SR, a.s.

Member of the Board of Directors BCC SR



Why am I running for the office of a member of the Board of Directors?

Dear members of the British Chamber of Commerce,

allow me to run for re-election to the Board of Directors of the British Chamber of Commerce in Slovakia. During the past two years, together we were able to intensify our activities and achieve significant achievements that strengthened our community and supported its growth.

I am convinced that my enthusiasm, innovations and support will contribute to the further development and success of the British Chamber of Commerce in Slovakia. I believe that together we can continue to build a strong and prosperous business environment.

I would like to continue this momentum, support the Chamber's amazing team and focus on three key areas that affect me personally as well as Tesco: women's empowerment, sustainability and volunteering. For the last year, I focused on supporting and representing Britcham at Rule of Law Initiative.

Supporting women: Women are the pillars of modern business. I want to support programs and workshops that will support the position of women in the business environment, enable them to acquire the necessary skills and strengthen their career growth. I believe that as a chamber we can give space to successful women to continue to progress.

Sustainability: Sustainability is key to the future of business. I plan to continue our efforts to promote environmentally responsible practices among our members, such as the ESG awards the chamber plans to launch. I will be happy if we manage to organize even more events together and bring the latest trends and innovations in the field of sustainability.

Volunteering: Volunteering is at the heart of CSR activities at Tesco and I'm glad it's important to Britcham members too. I want us to continue to encourage the active involvement of our members in volunteer activities that will have a positive impact on local communities. I will create a platform for sharing initiatives and experiences with volunteering, thereby inspiring others to similar activities and strengthening our social responsibility.

About the Candidate

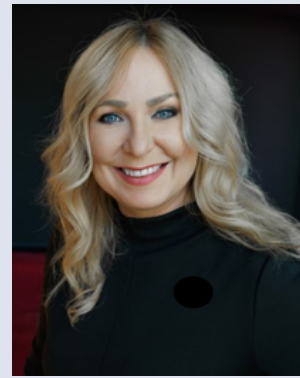
Katarína, as the Head of Communication at Tesco Slovakia, is responsible for overseeing communication and corporate affairs at Tesco, as well as she is in charge of the Tesco Foundation in Slovakia. Previously, she was managing Tesco's health programme in Central Europe and worked as CSR and Government Affairs Manager. Katarina is an experienced project, sustainability and communication manager with years of experience in the business and non-profit sectors.

Miroslava Remenárová

President

Business & Professional Women NGO

President of the Board of Directors BCC SR



Why am I running for the office of a member of the Board of Directors?

Dear Members of BritCham,

I would like to apply for a candidacy to the Board of Directors of our Chamber for the next two years. I have been part of our community since 2018, when my career path connected with Jaguar Land Rover, and later through my volunteering activities within Business and Professional Women.

Together, we have built our Chamber into not only an organization that is a **respected partner for even the highest representatives of this country**, but especially a community that, through its business activities, drives the economy forward and, through its values, represents cohesion, professionalism, and mutual respect.

During my time on the Board of our Chamber, where I was entrusted by the Board to be its President, we, **together with you, managed to organize dozens and dozens of events**, become one of the first Chamber that not only has its business goals but also places sustainability at its core, and remain the only Chamber where we support everyone in their development and have special activities to support women and talent development. Together, we have overcome the pandemic, labor shortages, legislation challenges, supply chain disruptions and are currently navigating a challenging business environment.

However, throughout all this, **we never forgot to be, first and foremost, humane**, to support each other, and to find space to help others through our charitable events, as well as at social events or an after-work drink. Our network strengthened, and we were able to welcome new members, expanding into a **vital community** over the past years!

I would like to ask for your support to be a member of the Board for the next period.

My focus would be to continue to support the Chamber by providing my expertise, network, ideas for the next events and networking opportunities. Through this to help us push for improved conditions brought about by consolidation, to uphold the principles of the Rule of Law, and to create better opportunities for business development. This is to ensure the Chamber continues to be a **respected partner for everyone and a place where we enjoy meeting together**.

Thank you for your trust, which I deeply appreciate.

About the Candidate

Miroslava has over 25 years of experience in corporate reputation, public and government affairs as well as marketing communication, gained in international companies across various industries. Her latest career achievements include the launch of the state-of-the-art Jaguar Land Rover plant in Nitra and the launch of the Amazon Logistics Centre in Sered'.

Since 2024, she has been at Slovak Telekom, where she currently holds the position of Head of Public Affairs and Sustainability at Slovak Telekom, overseeing public affairs, regulatory affairs, external communications, and ESG activities, with a strong focus on sustainability, including the Telekom Endowment Fund.

She has long-term experience actively advocating innovation as a driver of business growth and for future-oriented skills, including STEM.

Miroslava is the President of the British Chamber of Commerce in Slovakia since 2019 and she also serves as a board member of the Slovak Association of Mobile Operators. She is also actively involved in supporting women to grow for the future within the non-governmental organization Business and Professional Women – Bratislava I.

She was born in Bratislava, and after her graduation from the Faculty of Philosophy at Comenius University, she started her career at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Afterwards, she joined the business sector and applied her knowledge and experience in renowned multinational companies.

Eduard Szattler

Partner

Vojčík & Partners, s.r.o.

Vice-President of the Board of Directors BCC SR



Why am I running for the office of a member of the Board of Directors?

Dear Members of the British Chamber of Commerce in the Slovak Republic,

It has been a privilege for me to serve as a Vice-President of the Board of Directors of BritCham over the past term. During this time, I have actively supported the Chamber's development, particularly in eastern Slovakia. I have also continued to provide legal support and practical assistance to the Board whenever needed.

I believe the Chamber has a strong future ahead.

As a representative of Vojčík & Partners on the Board, I am also proud that our law firm has been providing office and representative premises for BritCham in Košice for many years, helping to establish and maintain the Chamber's presence in the region.

One of the traditions we have established and would like to continue is the traditional "Cup of Tea" meeting with the British Ambassador, which provides our members and potential members with a rare and valuable opportunity to meet and speak directly with the Ambassador in an informal and open atmosphere.

I would greatly appreciate your support and your vote.

About the Candidate

Eduard Szattler is a partner at the law firm Vojčík & Partners and has been practicing law for more than 20 years. His legal specialization focuses primarily on intellectual property law, as well as other areas of legal practice, including negotiations and court representation.

He has extensive experience in teaching and lecturing on various legal topics and has served as an assistant lecturer at several universities.

Eduard is also a member of the Kiwanis Club Košice, an organization focused primarily on projects supporting and helping children.

Bruno Štefánik

Partner - Corporate/M&A practice

Wolf Theiss Slovakia



Why am I running for the office of a member of the Board of Directors?

Dear members of the British Chamber of Commerce,
I am willing to express my interest in serving as a member of the Board of Directors of the British Chamber of Commerce in the Slovak Republic (“BCCSR”).
Having practiced law in Slovakia since 2010, I have reached a stage in my professional career where I would like to contribute more actively to the development of Slovakia’s business environment and professional community.

I was excited when Wolf Theiss Slovakia joined BCCSR and I was pleased to discover the vibrant community of professionals, entrepreneurs and people who are genuinely invested in the success of the British-Slovak business community. I believe BCCSR has a momentum to continue strengthening the British-Slovak business community and to play an increasingly important role in supporting entrepreneurship, investment, and constructive public-policy dialogue in Slovakia.

I particularly appreciate BCCSR active role in legislative activities including, without limitation, its involvement in the discussions resulting in the landmark Slovak FDI Screening Act of 2023.

Advocacy, legislation, and the promotion of the rule of law are among my core professional interests. As a member of the Board, I would aim to support BCCSR’s engagement in important legislative and regulatory developments affecting the Slovak business environment, while also encouraging constructive dialogue among businesses, policymakers, and the legal community.

Over the coming years, Slovakia is expected to undergo several significant legislative changes with potentially far-reaching implications for businesses and investors, including the introduction of a new Civil Code and further developments in the FDI screening framework. I believe this period presents an important opportunity for BCCSR and its members to contribute positively to discussions shaping Slovakia’s legal and economic environment, and I would welcome the opportunity to participate in that effort.

I would be honored to contribute my experience and commitment to the continued success of BCCSR and respectfully ask for your support for my candidacy to the Board of Directors.

About the Candidate

Bruno Štefánik is an exceptional corporate partner who leads his team with great skill. He ensures the right people are in the right roles, demonstrating strong business acumen and a deep understanding of client needs. His ability to think creatively and 'out of the box' makes him a trusted advisor for complex corporate matters.