Dear Architects,

We have an honour to invite You and Your colleagues to participate in the International competition for the creation of National Concert Hall "Tautos namai" project.

Vilnius, the capital of Lithuania, has been a jewel of European culture for centuries. So far, this great city is known for its unique baroque architecture, green landscape and mutual respect. We believe that Vilnius should enhance its position as a place upholding the glory of European culture. The National Concert Hall "Tautos namai" should become a reflection of it.

The goal of the Competition is not just an impeccable architecture of the building itself. The beauty of its architecture must provide a vehicle for a perfect musicality and harmony, for a sound which describes the European culture most naturally. If the sound is sincere, if it is harmonious and pure, it inspires and unites people into a harmoniously living society.

This is exactly the objective that we set: we want Vilnius to be full of sound, which, thanks to its superior quality, can unite and educate people. We want the National Concert Hall in Vilnius to become a world-famous place where European culture is being created.

This is our objective. And we encourage You to implement that.

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