

Dear Members of the Admission Committee,

My name is Ilias Georgousis, I have been living in Sweden the last two years, initially for work at the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control as a Business Analyst. I am writing to express my interest in the ManagiDiTH Master's program, driven by my strong desire to deepen my expertise in Data Science and Interoperability in the Healthcare sector. With a background in business analysis, project management, and a solid foundation in IT systems development, I am eager to contribute to and benefit from the unique learning environment offered by the ManagiDiTH program. Throughout my career, I have consistently worked at roles that challenge and expand my capabilities.

My professional journey began in the IT sector, where I quickly realized the transformative potential of data-driven decision-making and efficient interoperability between systems. As a Lead Business Analyst at Global Cruise Lines Ltd, I led a team focused on optimizing customer onboarding and communication systems, which sparked my interest in leveraging data to drive strategic improvements. My subsequent roles, particularly at UniSystems (working as a consultant for eu-LISA; European large scale IT Operator of the EU developing an interoperability component for the areas of Security, Justice and Freedom) and the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC; member of the Digital Transformation Unit) where I worked as Business Analyst for the Early Warning and Response System of the European Commission (EWRS), further solidified my passion for integrating advanced data methodologies into business processes.

The ManagiDiTH program's emphasis on solving real-world problems through collaborative online environments resonates with my academic philosophy. I am particularly drawn to the program's innovative use of diverse pedagogical approaches, and interdisciplinary approach. Additionally, the opportunity to engage with a multicultural cohort is highly appealing. My prior experience working and studying in international settings has prepared me to thrive in such environments, and I am excited about the potential collaborations and friendships that await.

The two specialization branches offered by the ManagiDiTH program—Data Science and Interoperability—align closely with my career goals. My current pursuit of a Master's degree in IT Project Management at Stockholm University (completed thesis, awaiting to finish one course), where I am researching the impact of agile leadership on project outcomes, complements the advanced data analytics and system integration skills I seek to develop. My additional studies in Sustainability science and Informatics and Economics and standalone courses in the health care (I attach transcript of all my studies) are valuable in this endeavor. I am particularly interested in how the program will allow me to tailor my learning to my individual needs and previous knowledge, ensuring a personalized and impactful educational journey. In conclusion, I am confident that the ManagiDiTH program will provide the ideal platform to achieve my career aspirations. My background in business analysis, coupled with my ongoing commitment to academic and professional growth, has equipped me with the skills and drive necessary to excel in this program. I am eager to contribute to the ManagiDiTH community and look forward to the opportunity to discuss my application further.

Thank you for considering my application. I am excited about the possibility of joining the ManagiDiTH program and contributing to its vibrant academic community.

Sincerely,

Ilias Georgousis