

Dear Admissions Committee,

As a Senior Veterinary Officer at the Ministry of Rural Development and Food with over a decade of experience in veterinary medicine and public health, I am writing to express my keen interest in the Managing the Digital Transformation in the Health Sector postgraduate programme. My veterinary background, combined with my experience in crisis management and data systems in the health sector, has shown me the critical importance of digital transformation in modern healthcare delivery.

In my role at the Ministry of Rural Development and Food, as well as managing electronic databases, I also oversee recording systems for animal health information. This role involves the use of digital mechanisms for monitoring and surveillance of various diseases. Being involved in such a project has exposed me to both the risks and opportunities that digitalisation offers to the health sector. In addition, my work with the Ministry's electronic databases has increased my curiosity about the application of new technologies to the business of healthcare in terms of delivery and management systems.

My academic background includes two Master's degrees - one in International Medicine and Health Crisis Management from the National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, and another in Veterinary Surgery from the Aristotelio University. This interdisciplinary education has given me a strong foundation in both healthcare operations and crisis management, which I believe will be valuable in understanding the complexities of digital transformation in healthcare.

During my work at the Military Food and Water Control Laboratory, I have several times applied digital systems for food safety management and laboratory testing using the HACCP and ISO 22000 standards. That taught me that integrating e-solutions into conventional healthcare processes plays a very important role in terms of efficiency and accuracy. Moreover, the employment of digital tools in data analysis and disease monitoring at the Veterinary Research Institute demonstrated to me the power of digital transformation into both research and public health surveillance.

I am particularly attracted by your programme's focus on European healthcare systems and digital innovation. The combination of healthcare management, digital technology and international perspective fits perfectly with my professional goals. I am particularly interested in exploring how digital solutions can improve:

- Health crisis management and emergency response systems
- Disease surveillance and monitoring platforms
- Integration of One Health approaches through digital tools
- Cross-border healthcare delivery and data exchange
- Patient care coordination and telehealth applications

The programme's emphasis on practical applications and real-world case studies is particularly appealing to me, as it will allow me to apply new knowledge directly to my current role, while preparing me for future leadership roles in the digital transformation of healthcare.

My experience in managing complex databases, implementing digital solutions and coordinating across different levels of government has prepared me well for this programme. I am particularly excited about the opportunity to collaborate with professionals from different European healthcare systems and learn from their experiences in digital transformation.

Looking ahead, I would like to play a key role in shaping the digital future of healthcare systems, particularly in the public health sector. This Master's programme would provide me with the specialised knowledge and skills needed to effectively lead digital transformation initiatives, combining my healthcare expertise with advanced digital skills.

I am confident that my background in veterinary medicine, public health and health crisis management, combined with my passion for digital innovation, makes me an ideal candidate for this programme. I look forward to the opportunity to contribute to and learn from this innovative Master's programme.

Thank you for considering my application.

Sincerely, Petros Iatridis