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Dear Dr. Tsivgoulis,

I would like to thank you and your colleagues very much for hosting us on 22nd October in your hospital, the Metropolitan Hospital in Athens, and to give us the opportunity to visit the stroke unit as well as to discuss the situation of the care of acute stroke in Greece.

We were deeply impressed by the standard of the treatment quality in the stroke unit of the Metropolitan Hospital. The patient pathways, the implementation of treatment protocols, the organisation of the stroke team as well as monitoring of the quality of the treatment are well organized according to guidelines and best practice. Your hospital can really be used as a "blue print" not only to achieve excellent results for the patient with acute stroke but also for how to build up and to optimize structures and processes.

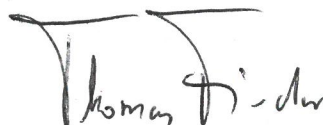
We are very happy to welcome the Metropolitan Hospital to take part in the Angels initiative and to welcome you, your team and all the neurologists, nurses and other members of the stroke teams of your well established stroke network across Greece.

We are very confident that together we can rapidly come closer to our common goal to give every patient in your country a similar chance to get treatment in the "right" hospital, that means in a stroke ready hospital or better in a stroke unit.

Best regards,

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Rita Rodrigues
Pan-European Angels Consultant

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Thomas Fischer'.

Thomas Fischer
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