



# Concept Minutes Plenary Meeting 15th of October 2024

Date: 05-10-2024 (15:00-17:00)

Location: PCH 3.19

Aanwezig: Selin Stefanova, Rembrandt Tip, Kevin Eng, Francesco Bruseghini (online), Ioanna Kestoros (online), Arina Artemyeva (online), Riccardo Molin, Hidde Heijnis, Neha Thantry (online), Inna Kulazhenkova (online), Tahira Mohammad

Afwezig: Katja Kerzan, Jozef van de Visse

Gasten: -

Notulist: Tahira Mohammad

## Agenda

- 1. Opening**
- 2. Appointing a minute-taker**
- 3. Introductions from the FSR, and new Council Assistants (10 min)**  
The FSR does an introduction for the newly appointed Council Assistants and Secretary.
- 4. Mail, agenda, and action list (10 min)**
- 5. Confirmation minutes (10 mins)**
- 6. Announcements (2 min)**
- 7. Confirmation agenda (3 min)**
- 8. Updates (10 min)**  
*The chair, vicechair, workgroups, and CSR delegate share updates.*
- 9. Informing and Deciding - Budget Plan FGw (15 min) (attachment: 3)**  
The FSR gets informed on the proposed budget plan and appoints people to write the advice.
- 10. Informing and Deciding - Collaborations with other FSRs (15 min) (attachment: 0)**  
*The FSR gets informed on the other FSR's focuses, and discusses possible collaborations.*
- 11. Informing - Legal advice on House rules (10 min) (attachment: 2)**  
*The FSR gets informed on the legal advice regarding UvA's house rules, provided by the CSR.*
- 12. Deciding - Year plan file division (15 min) (attachment: 1)**  
*The FSR discusses and decides on a group to oversee the completeness of the year plan.*

**13. Deciding - Introductions to the first years. (15 min) (attachment: 0)**

*The FSR finalises the people to introduce the FSR depending on the programmes.*

**14. Deciding - FSR Co-Bo (5 min) (attachment: 0)**

*The FSR delegates people to take up the task of organising it.*

**15. PR of the week (5 min)**

**16. Final points and closing**

**1. Opening**

Stefanova opens the meeting at 15:16.

**2. Appointing a minute-taker**

The new AS will take the minutes.

**3. Introductions from the FSR, and new Council Assistants (10 min)**

The FSR does an introduction for the newly appointed Council Assistants and Secretary.

**4. Mail, agenda, and action list (10 min)**

Starting now, the action and to do list on the Teams will be used again.

**5. Confirmation minutes (10 mins)**

The FSR reads the minutes of the last PV. No suggestions are made. The minutes are confirmed.

**6. Announcements (2 min)**

Molin has to leave at 17:00.

**7. Confirmation agenda (3 min)**

The agenda is confirmed, there are no additions or suggestions.

**8. Updates (10 min)**

*The chair, vicechair, workgroups, and CSR delegate share updates.*

Stefanova followed a couple of trainings the past week. Heijnis updates on the TTO he attended, which discussed the current list of decisions set to be made by the university regarding the internal restructuring of the language programs offered by the Faculty of Humanities. Because of their small magnitude, the university considers turning them into collaborative programs with other universities, meaning UvA students would have to go to other cities to follow these programs. There is no rush to pick this up right away, but it is

something to look out for. Three current ties with third parties will get examined, it is unclear whether this will be done based on the old or new guidelines. They said they would plan this meeting re Israel-Palestine in the OV, but did not follow up on that, they promised they will do it. There are no updates or communication regarding the upcoming OV. It is currently being planned. We will receive an official response to our (un)solicited advice of last academic year regarding social safety within the faculty. Heijnis also attended the OER meeting which overall went well. On the 8<sup>th</sup> of November we will have to hand in all our proposed changes to the OER [ACTIONPOINT]. Heijnis explains the process for selecting the OER this upcoming year.

Eng updates on the meeting he had with the international committee of ASVA. Regarding the free Dutch classes, there is unclear and inconsistent communication regarding the reimbursement and budget for the classes. Additionally, it is not organized and structured ideally nor flexible for students in different time zones.

Stefanova contacted the fDB about the budget that is left and the declarations but the response was not informative. Another email will be sent by Stefanova.

Tip attended a meeting with the fDB and other domestic organizations which covered Palestine and the decision-making process. Tip brought forth a critical statement which was received in an understanding manner.

### **9. Informing and Deciding - Budget Plan FGw (15 min) (attachment: 3)**

The FSR gets informed on the proposed budget plan and appoints people to write the advice.

The proposed budget plan was only delivered in a Dutch version, an English version will be provided by Bruseghini [ACTIONPOINT]. Heijnis will send the advice that was set up last academic year and plan in a meeting with Eng and Bruseghini to look at the proposed budget plan. Heijnis points out that making substantial changes will not be possible due to a lack of technical knowledge and continues to provide tips on how to focus on realistic points and how these can be used as a gateway into other topics. The deadline for the advice is in 6 weeks.

The council takes a break at 16:08.

**10. Informing and Deciding - Collaborations with other FSRs (15 min) (attachment: 0)**

*The FSR gets informed on the other FSR's focuses, and discusses possible collaborations.*

The council continues the meeting at 16:20.

Stefanova gives updates on the past monthly meeting with the other FSR's and the CSR. Stefanova and Tip propose the idea to do a weekly walk-in hour in the council office room and to hold the PV meetings in a lecture hall. In order to realize the latter idea, the marketing plan will need to be explored more, in order to attract more students. Molin suggests the idea to collab with the FSR FNWI on a project, potentially the text to speech. Molin touches on the issue regarding the lack of vertical integration between the FSR's and the OC's (Program Committees), a point that will be discussed between Heijnis and Molin at a later moment.

**11. Informing - Legal advice on House rules (10 min) (attachment: 2)**

*The FSR gets informed on the legal advice regarding UvA's house rules, provided by the CSR.*

Heijnis elaborates that the legal advice regarding the house rules could be used as a pressure tool by the FSR FGw against the fDB FGw. Heijnis suggests the idea that we could write a letter listing the minimal results we expect from the guidelines on collaborations with third parties, herein we could also summarize why there is a lack of trust in the university. Heijnis, Tip and Stefanova will write a response in the course of November.

**12. Deciding - Year plan file division (15 min) (attachment: 1)**

*The FSR discusses and decides on a group to oversee the completeness of the year plan.*

Molin will need more time to work on the topic of mental health as there are still meetings ongoing. Heijnis and Tip will contact the council members to inform them on their assigned topics.

**13. Deciding - Introductions to the first years. (15 min) (attachment: 0)**

*The FSR finalises the people to introduce the FSR depending on the programmes.*

Heijnis and Kestoros gave the introduction for the English and European Studies programs the past week. The council sets up a division for the FSR introductions to the first years.

History: Tip and Heijnis

Media and Information: Artemyeva and Bruseghini.

Anthropology and Sociology: Molin and Thantry

Philosophy: Molin

Molin leaves at 16:55.

#### **14. Deciding - FSR Co-Bo (5 min) (attachment: 0)**

*The FSR delegates people to take up the task of organising it.*

Mohammad will contact Skek to check out their availability on the chosen date for the FSR FGw CoBo (ACTIONPOINT).

#### **15. PR of the week (5 min)**

The lecture series on Israel-Palestine set up by the Faculty of Humanities will be shared on the Instagram. Stefanova will create a survey on the yearplan, Kestoros and Artemyeva will share this on the Instagram and the newsflash letter. The social media team will contact LSVb and ASVA to share their post on the protest against the budget cuts on higher education and the long study fine with us so we can share it around. The responses to our current Instagram story will be answered.

#### **16. Final points and closing**

Heijnis and Tip will set up an introductory meeting with the Secretary and Council Assistants for next week.

The meeting ends at 17:11.

#### **Decisions**

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<b>Activistenpartij</b>	5	-	3	-

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The FSR FGW 24-25 accepts and sends the unsolicited advice on democratic decision making on complicit ties with the proposed amendments.



