



## 6th meeting of the Faculty Student Council of Law

Date	9th of October 2023 17:30 – 19:30	Location	Nieuwe Achtergracht 166, REC A, Room A2.15
Present	Stefana Feciuc, Noor Heerema, Ege Kaynarca, Francesco Liaci, Claudia van 't Ende, Sunmoon Stokhof, Robin Blom, Jonathan Graf von Durckheim, Hollando Bangun, Jordi Ye	Absent	Livni Beck, Youssra Aarab
Guests	-	Secretary	Mirthe den Held

### Agenda

*Notes by the chair are written in cursive and are part of the agenda and the minutes, after publication.*

#### 1. Opening of the meeting

17:35

#### 2. Setting of the agenda

The topic of Tax Law will be talked about earlier, because Stefana needs to leave earlier.

#### 3. Minutes of the previous meeting

In the Minutes Francesco mandated Stefana and not Hollando. This should be changed.

#### 4. Review of the action-list

PR (Hollando)	Make a video about the FSR for the faculty.	In due time
Hollando	Organize a traditional CoBo with a semi-formal dress code in January. Optional: contact AmstelHaven.	Before January
Claudia, Jordi and Hollando	Discuss new date of the CoBo.	In due time
Livni	Write notes from the update from the last chair.	In due time
Youssra	Will write to the new student assessor to join the PVs	In due time
Sunmoon	Plan for the budget.	In due time
Sunmoon.	Send everyone a message about how to get compensation.  Inquire about the elevator situation.	In due time
O&F committee	Inquire about the computers in the library and add information. about getting laptops into the survey.	In due time

Hollando	Organize a movie night and promote this during lectures.	In due time
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## 5. Updates from the Delegate to the Central Student Council

*The delegate to the Central Student Council can use this agenda point to report on relevant activities at the central level.*

There will be a financial training from the CSR. The budget for the FSR weekend will be 6000 euro. The CSR still must decide how they are going to allocate their budget.

## 6. Updates from the Committees

*The chairs of the Committees can use this agenda point to report any relevant progress on the files and any other business relevant to the Council.*

### a. O&O

- a. Ege: We had a meeting and talked about hybrid teaching. We also talked with Tom Blom, the chair of the workers council.

### b. O&F

- a. There was no meeting today and there will be a weekly meeting from next week on. No news, we are still waiting for a reaction of Tom Blom.

### c. PR

- a. Hollando: I talked with the Faculty of Business council and this Thursday I have a meeting with the SIB.

## 7. Tax law: Research collaboration with Netflix

*It has come to our attention that the Faculty of Law had conducted research in collaboration of Netflix regarding lowering taxes. Becoming a point of controversy in several ways. Damaging the reputation of the University of Amsterdam and the Faculty of Law, thus it's students and staff.*

Francesco: I would like to talk about the Tax Law proposal. The main objective is to open a file and to gather as much information as possible. In August 2020, Netflix approached the UvA as part of the CPT project, where CPT stands for Cashless, Platform-based and Technology-driven. At first the UvA did not mention they had sponsors for the project, this only came after a WOO request was filed, until it became public most people in the ACTL and faculty did not know about it, including the dean. This shows that there is a problem about third party collaboration. After a court ruling, the UvA shared the entirety of related files, it took a year. These files also included a letter/memo offering Netflix a voice in the research project, as well as several other benefits, such as tailor-made research topics and/or questions, opportunity for company's representatives to participate in committees and working groups, the opportunity to help explain the company's tax aggressive behaviour to the public and more. The content of the memo/letter is problematic. People from ACTL also make advice and policies for the Dutch government, the universities, and the European union. Currently there is an investigation. There is a lack of transparency at the University, and this should be addressed. The reputation of the University is at stake, this might represent a significant breach of research ethics. We should look at this.

Ege: We should have specific questions.

Sunmoon: We are opening a file about research ethics in Amsterdam centre of tax law (ACTL).

**Voting:** 12 people vote for, unanimously.

→ **Who will do this:** Francesco, Stefana, Robin, Jonathan

## 8. Preparation of the next GOV on the 16<sup>th</sup> of October

*The agenda has been set, and an informal meeting with Tom Blom has occurred.*

- a) Ege: Mid Term, And end term course evaluations: We got negative feedback from Tom Blom. He wanted there to be only end terms. And no mid-term because he does not think anything can be changed in middle of course, he does not wanted to be on paper. Ege changed it, but the midterm part still the same. Some of the stuff that has been changed it in middle of the lecture 15 min talk. The proposal is amended in multiple ways. There are 15 min sessions to discuss the course in the midterm tutorial and 15 min in end term lecture. This should be sent to the program committees so that they can change things.
- b) Tom Blom does not want it on paper. Ege thinks it should and standardised. Current course evaluation is too formal.
- c) Comments from Francesco: maybe should schedule with Radboud. Main comment might be useful send Tom Blom email, the changes and not to force but advice and focus on qualitative. Ege will send an email.

## 9. Explainer of Profiling fund and Faculty compensation

*Almost everyone, at the time of writing, has received their letter of appointment. So, we can start applying for our compensation for our work in the FSR. Here an explainer how and what documents you need.*

Hollando: I went to the 'Maagdenhuis' and asked about it. I send in the groups chat the mail, the person you should mention to ask for your letter of acceptance.

Sunmoon: Will mail the documents regarding the grant.

## 10. Other points raised during the meeting / general updates to give (WVNTTK)

Francesco: I couldn't get in touch with the course coordinator of PPLE.

Sunmoon: I recommend asking programme committee.

Ege: I already talked to the PPLE programme committee, to get to know each other.

## 11. Final questions

## 12. Closing of the meeting

*In the case of absence and/or mandate, please send an e-mail to [Jordi.fsr.fdr@gmail.com](mailto:Jordi.fsr.fdr@gmail.com) & [Sunmoon.fsr.fdr@gmail.com](mailto:Sunmoon.fsr.fdr@gmail.com).*

## Action-list

Who?	What?	When?
Francesco, Stefana, Robin, Jonathan	opening a file about research ethics in Amsterdam centre of tax law (ACTL).	In due time
Sunmoon	Will mail the documents regarding the grant	In due time
Ege	Sent an email to Tom Blom	In due time

