



# Report: Quad 3

Academic Year 2025-2026

The 13th EUCSA Board

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# Introduction

Dear tigers,

This is the official report of Quad 3, in which we reflect on our third Quad as the 13th Board of EUCSA. Similar to the reports of the preceding Board, this one will include an evaluation of the performance of The Board and the committees, as well as the events that were held in this Quad. This report is a way for us to be completely transparent with our members, and also includes how we aim to improve throughout the year. We always appreciate feedback, and your suggestions and comments are always welcome. You can reach out to us either via email (eucsaboard@gmail.com), or in the anonymous feedback form on our [website](#).

The **EUCSA Board** of the academic year 2025/2026 consists of the following members:

- **Chair:** Boyan Blagoev
- **Secretary Vice Chair:** Ivar Bakermans
- **Treasurer:** Anna van Dijk
- **Committee Affairs Officer:** Nina Wilzcak
- **Committee Affairs Officer:** Sophia Kuster
- **Committee Affairs Officer:** Vera Klein Gebbink

As a Board, we have and will continue to plan numerous events and services that contribute to the overall functioning of the association. Nonetheless, the majority of events facilitating social opportunities are organized and executed by the committees and/or teams of the association. You can find the assessment of committee events and performance from our Committee Affairs Officers below.

# Board Assessment

## General Assessment and Board Initiatives

During winter break we worked on our internal organisation to enter the second half of our Board year even better than before. We started with more planning and structure into Quad 3 and already focussed on the organisation of the election period., which started off good.

For the scheduling of all election-related events The Board decided to plan an extra meeting, which was held after the Third GA. The Election Period subsequently opened on February 23rd.

The Board also organized a 'Committee Thank You Event', which is important to express our gratitude for the committees and all their members.

After Budgeting, The Board also saw the opportunity to finally buy a Mascot for EUCSA, it arrived late in Quad 3, it still has be figured out who will wear it. Furthermore, the website got revised adding a Past Board Page, a better explanation of General Assemblies and our Supporting Bodies.

We feel confident starting into the last Quad of our Board year and are excited to see who will take over our positions in the upcoming year.

## SAAC Collaboration

The collaboration with SAAC this Quad mainly concerned the '5 EC proposal', where we bundled efforts to get confirmation from management and Examination Board, that indeed 5 ECs will be granted to all EUCSA Board members and SAAC members, as compensation for their time and effort put into the respective bodies.

The second project we collaborated on, is the 'Housing Platform', where we are building a place for EUC students to either offer their housing or apply to places.

Additionally there was some talk to restructure MEDA back to its original method of managing, but this is something that will further develop in Quad 4, when we will revise the collaboration agreement between EUCSA and SAAC.

Study groups were taken care of by SAAC this Quad, as the ticketing was deemed unnecessary, now that Management sponsors to make them free.

## **EUC Relationship**

As mentioned previously, the proposal to get 5 ECs for Boardwork, was passed by management, consequently to the EUCSA Board and SAAC writing the way of assessment and grading.

Biweekly meetings with the Student Life officer were continued, as per usually. Additionally a meeting with an EUCSA Board Member, Ski Team, the Intersectional Council and Management was arranged to go over some safety guidelines for the Ski Trip.

## **Intersectional and Advisory Council**

In the beginning of the Quad, there were both meetings with the AC and the IC.

The meeting with the AC was mainly about the 'Membership Discount System' The Board is trying to set up for next year, where a member gets discounts when being part of EUCSA for multiple years. To finalise this The Board is still waiting on the prospected subsidy increase by Management.

Furthermore the AC advised on the structuring of the Election Period and the function of the new Mascot.

The meeting with the IC was mainly focussed on the Diversity Week/Event they are planning, unfortunately there is not much progress on this yet and The Board will get on in right at the beginning of Quad 4.

## **Assessment of Board Events**

### **Social Drinks**

Quad 3 Social Drinks were a huge success. In the second week of this Quad everyone seemed excited to be back from winter break and see all exchange students again. The turnout was high, the mood was great and we hope to take the vibes into Quad 4!

## **Quad 3 GA**

The turnout of the Quad 3 General Assembly was reasonably high, looking at previous numbers of attendees. The main topics included general updates, the budget reallocation, the Mascot and the teaser of Election Period.. The minutes can be found on our website and will be sent through email to all members.

## **Beerpong Tournament**

As a Thank You to all committees The Board organized a Beerpong Tournament at LUCIA. The turnout was great and the vibes were vibing. After an exciting final, Sports Co took home the trophy and crowned themselves Beerpong-Champions!

## **Election Period**

After careful planning, The Board was able to open the Election Period on the 23rd of February. This week, 'Election Open Hours' were held to answer any questions potential candidates might have. The following week, The Board held the first ever 'Open Board Meeting / Sit-In' for everyone to attend, mainly to spread awareness on what The Board does, and what potential candidates can expect. Another addition are the Instagram Take-Overs every individual Board Member will do over the coming months.

# **Financial Overview**

## **Financial assessments & Updates**

This was a relatively active Quad in our financial department. We re-opened half-year memberships, passed the Budget Reallocation, and hit a post-covid record for our amount of memberships!

Reopening half-year memberships gave our returning-from exchange and incoming exchange students the opportunity to be an EUCSA member for a cheaper price than a full-year membership, and this was a hit! We are always looking to make

EUCSA accessible for our students, so if you have any concerns regarding membership costs, please reach out.

The Budget Reallocation passed smoothly, with several committees benefitting from being reallocated some money. We are still figuring out our exact tax situation, but we were able to claim back some money and then distribute it at reallocation, leading to a year in which no committee had their budget reduced. While we are happy about this, we cannot promise that this will happen every year, as it is a new system.

As you may have seen, we have hit a post-COVID record amount of memberships! We are incredibly happy about this, as we believe it's a great sign for the association's health and longevity. While we always want more members, we love the members we have.

Additionally, this year we re-applied for recognition as a student association from EUR. This occurs every three years, and ensures the incoming years are recognised and able to apply for their Board grant.

On the side of costs, this Quad a handful of events took place which were of note. These include: Palestine Awareness Week, Women's week, PoC Co's Iftar, the Apres Ski Party and subsequent Ski Trip. However, the events and their respective organising parties all budgeted for them accordingly, leading them to run smoothly and leave a lasting impact on those who took part.

## **Committee Feedback**

### **Progress of Nina's Committees**

#### ***Accessibility Co***

One of the most exciting events for this Co took place during Quad 3: the blindfolded dinner party went really well and people loved it. The promotion, planning, cooking together and event itself also really served as a bonding moment for the committee. Other than this they were struggling with their own capabilities in this Quad, as it was really busy for all members. On top of this a collaboration with Fem Co did not go as expected and lack of communication led to Accessibility Co not being able to

go through with this collaboration. Nonetheless they still participated in Palestine awareness week together with other committees.

For Quad 4 they are already on top of it and currently working on two events - a crip camp screening and Disability studies 101 event, so there are already two exciting events to look forward to which will increase awareness on disabilities.

### **Charity Co**

Quad 3 as always entails the infamous Valentine's roses which Charity Co managed to sell many of and all proceeds went to the National Immigration Justice Centre. There were some logistical issues surrounding the flower delivery, but in the end the whole team still pulled the whole event off very well. Next to this, Charity Co worked closely together with other Committees this Quad. They supported Women's week and Palestine awareness week, especially through bake sales and the spoken word event which all received a lot of positive feedback.

For Quad 4, Charity Co has many different ideas for events, but having learned from the past Quads about what is feasible, they will decide which ones to focus on. Overall they are showing strong teamwork and a lot of motivation which persists throughout the Quads.

### **Dance Co**

This Quad, the Dance Committee focused on their UCSRN preparation which had started in Quad 2. With only a few months until the competition the members had their hands full with organizing choreography, cutting music, figuring out formations and leading the weekly sessions (which can be heard all the way to the library). For the next Quad they will not only put their energy into UCSRN but also host open trainings and other workshops which were unfortunately not possible during Quad 3.

### **Debate Co**

The Debate Committee successfully hosted one of their biggest events yet - the nMUN simulation at EUC in collaboration with Cedo Nulli. The event itself turned out very well with good participation and strong debates regarding the topic "Human rights of indigenous people" which everyone attending really enjoyed. Apart from this they were very busy outside of the committee, thus no other events happened. However, they plan to change this in Quad 4 and end the year properly with popular events such as the beloved drunk debate.

### **Gala Co**

The focus of Gala Team for Quad 3 was mainly on completing smaller logistics that will make the Gala the most unforgettable night for every EUC student. This included tasks such as finding a band to play live during the dinner, reserving a photobooth, organizing a DJ and searching for a photographer. Alongside this their promotion is in full swing - students are already talking about this year's theme "secret garden" and excitement is bubbling up around the Gala, setting a good tone for ticket sales and the success of the event. The team is showing great organisation and motivation and appear to work closely together which is very nice to see.

### **MEDA**

Overall MEDA has yet again successfully completed a very busy Quad. Despite busy schedules for the chair and treasurer the whole team is staying in close contact and manages to organize multiple events very smoothly - the new first year representative position will hopefully be able to be more involved in Quad 4. All Events ranging from their Philosophy open night, EMC lab visit and Museum night gained very positive feedback and were asked to be continued. Similarly, the Accenture workshop was talked about very highly by participants with many making use of the opportunity to connect with presenters. However, all of the events had little participation, which is a shame considering the praise by those who attended. Thus, in Quad 4, they will aim to improve their promotion and see what can be done to increase the amount of students making use of these high-quality events.

Moreover, they have multiple events lined up for Quad 4 such as a CV workshop and collaborations with Amnesty International.

In the long-run the website or 'Opportunity Hub', featuring centralized information especially regarding master program opportunities and internships is still on hold but should be able to launch in Quad 4.

### **Merch Co**

This Quad Merch Co really picked up their pace and improved internal communication and organisation compared to the first two Quads. Due to this they not only distributed the hoodies smoothly but also had a very successful collaboration with Ski trip featuring our very first EUC Ski Buff - they were almost fully sold out! The very stylish Buff was proudly worn by many students during the Ski trip and saved many from the cold weather.

For the last Quad of the year they plan to do a t-shirt drop as well as another surprise drop that will be something smaller. Internally the Co was faced with some struggles as the treasurer stepped down but luckily a general member immediately stepped up and filled the position. This is highly beneficial to the team and hopefully communication and planning can continue well enough to manage both drops in Quad 4.

### **Sport Co**

As always Sport Co kept the trainings for all sports going during Quad 3 - despite the rainy and grey winter months. In preparation for UCSRN volleyball has started double trainings and all of Sport Co. was involved in the promotion and organization of recruiting participants for UCSRN. This turned out to be a little challenging due to communication issues between UCSRN, the Co and the teams but in the end it all got sorted and they are looking forward to competing (and winning) at UCSRN. Next to trainings they also managed to organize other events

such as a lake run followed by a polar plunge, a mini basketball tournament and ice skating which especially received a lot of positive feedback.

In Quad 4, they will be preparing more for the UCSRN tournament and are hoping to again organize events outside of regular trainings.

### ***TEDx Team***

Similar to the past two Quads, the TEDx Team has been working smoothly within their internal teams on realizing this year's TEDx Event. Most of the vital steps had been completed in Quad 2, but the location is now officially set - this year's TEDx Event will be hosted at LantarenVenster on 15th April. Moreover promotion is in full swing and team motivation immensely contributes to a positive atmosphere around the event with all members actively helping with ticket stands that increase hype around the event.

Generally, the team shows very high team bonding especially now that exchange students have returned and team bonding events play an important role in this. This tight-knit team really proves that keeping a large group cohesive and motivated is very much possible. For Quad 4 a full rehearsal with the speakers is planned so that everything can work perfectly on the big day.

### ***TouchingGrass Co***

The committee has been getting closer over the last Quad with some bonding events and giving it their all at the committee-thank-you beer pong event. They were able to have multiple events this week including a repeat of the popular yoga event - whilst it was as well received as always, there was some struggle regarding a lack of yoga mats, so in the future they will try to find a solution to this. Another very successful event was the collaboration with Sport Co - ice skating - which was a nice distraction from the grey winter months.

To finish off the academic year, they are planning to make full use of the (hopefully) nicer spring and summer weather. This includes a canoeing trip in collaboration with travel co, another collaboration with the Engaged Citizen Program and even potentially a surfing trip - it will be a busy summer Quad for them!

## **Progress of Sophia's Committees**

### ***Arts and Crafts Co***

Arts and Crafts Co had a busy Quad with 4 events, they started off the Quad with a zine making workshop collab with writing and journalism co and also had 2 collaborations with POC co this Quad. The first collaboration event with POC co was the Iftar crafts and the second was the Holi event. They also had the very well received Bob Ross painting tutorial event.

### ***Exhibition Team***

The Exhibition team is continuing to work towards their end of year exhibition. That is taking up most of the co's time but they did also have a super fun mid-year exhibition this Quad where people could join and sew collaboratively.

### ***Feminist Collective***

Fem co is continuing their strong social media presence with their woman of the week stories. They also collaborated with other committees during Palestine awareness week. They also planned a women's week around international women's day which had various events from a self defense workshop to their rebranded Tea Talks and ended with a group participating in the larger women's march. Throughout the week they also did multiple charity bake sales and raised a considerable amount of money that was then donated to a charity.

### ***Film and Photography Co***

Film and photography co went on many excursions this Quad, the first event was a trip to International Film Festival Rotterdam which was very popular. The second trip was to the newly opened Foto museum. They also collaborated with other committees during Palestine awareness week.

### ***People of Colour Collective***

PoC Co was very active in this Quad, they hosted events for multiple holidays including a carnival event, an Iftar and a Holi celebration. Along with this they coordinated and led Palestine awareness week. This week had various events including bake sales, a screening, cooking workshops and a spoken word event which all helped raise a sizable amount that was distributed between various charities.

### ***Performance Co***

Performance Co is in full swing with the Footloose musical. All of their various teams (cast, crew, costumes, ensemble, set design) are on schedule and working towards the production. Along with this the co has been steadily promoting on social media and had a collaborative event with Wilde theatre.

### ***Queer Collective***

Queer Co unfortunately did not have any events in this Quad as they are a committee with 1 member, but they have plans to do potential collaborative events in the upcoming semester.

### ***Sustainability Co***

Sus co participated in palestine awareness week with the bakesales and the cooking workshop. The committee is in communication with management about getting new plants for EUC. They have also been planning their Quad 4 events with a focus on Earth Day which is coming up soon. They also worked in collaboration with the climate crisis course coordinator to open the guest lecturers of that course to the larger EUC student body.

### ***Writing and Journalism Co***

Writing and journalism co worked with PoC co on the spoken word crash course and the spoken word itself. Along with this they are collaborating with Wilde theatre on a murder mystery and collaborated with Arts and Crafts co on the zine

making workshop. They also distributed their first magazine issue of the year which was very successful and they are working on the next one, having hosted writers lounge sessions in this Quad.

## **Progress of Vera's Committees**

### ***Cultural Cooking Co***

Cultural Cooking Co has been doing well overall this period. While they noted some minor miscommunication during Palestine Week when organizing the Palestinian Food Cooking event in collaboration with other committees, they worked it out and they were happy with the turnout of the event. The committee recognized that they could be more proactive with promotion and social media to reach more people for their events. For Quad 4, they are discussing an egg-painting event for Easter.

### ***Games and Entertainment Co***

Games and Entertainment Co has been doing very well in this Quad, saying they are more hyped than ever and this is showing in the events they organized: a Brawl Stars, Beerio Kart, and GeoGuessr Tournament. All the events saw high attendance and were considered successful, especially the Berio Kart Tournament with a turnout of over 50 people who were all highly engaged. For Quad 4, the committee is planning a Casino Night and another Beerball tournament and maybe a mystery event.

### ***Music Co***

During this Quad, Music Co has been focusing on increasing its organization regarding event planning, which has resulted in good events with good audience engagement. The committee especially described the Alt Rock Night, which was a collaboration with Bar Co, as successful as many people showed up and they got very positive feedback from everyone showing up. However, they prefer to have an even higher turnout for their events. Internally, they are doing well, but some areas of

improvement are dividing the workload more evenly among members and maintaining more consistency with their meetings. In Quad 4, Music Co wants to organize a Terrace Fest and a rap battle.

### ***N&A Board***

While the N&A Board describes their performance as alright, they have not been focused on doing as many activities in Quad 3, and they noted that they stagnated a bit, as their meetings were planned less consistently. For Quad 4, their main focus is organizing the Business Fair.

### ***Party Co***

Party Co organized the Retro Ski Party in collaboration with the Ski Team and this party was seen as a great success with its high turnout of more than 200 people. The committee noted that this success was mostly the result of the great improvement of everyone in the committee and the fact that their new way of working together is working well. The specific plans for Quad 4 are not certain yet, but they confirmed that the process of organizing the events is going well.

### ***Podcast Co***

Podcast Co published two new episodes: one centered around Women's Week and another about the EUCSA Board ahead as the election period has been coming up. The committee described these episodes as super successful as the engagement has been high and feedback has been great, and listeners were excited to hear new voices. Internally, everyone was quite busy, which made scheduling really difficult, but when they did find time, the recording and editing were going well. For Quad 4, they aim to record another Board-focused episode and they intend to conduct more interviews at various events, especially the larger events happening throughout the Quad.

### ***Ski Team***

The Ski Team successfully organized their two main events this Quad: the Retro Ski Party in collaboration with Party Co, and the annual ski trip during spring break. They also designed EUC buffs in collaboration with Merch Co, which were almost sold out. While the committee initially faced difficulties with ticket sales, they managed to cancel the unsold spots, ensuring that EUCSA incurred no extra costs. The ski trip itself was a great success with its high engagement and many activities, including a Pub Crawl, Cantus, Pub Quiz, Tartiflette Night, Scavenger Hunt, and ski lessons. Many people who went on the trip reported having had an amazing time, also because of the beautiful location and the opportunity to get to know other people better. With Ski Team's primary task of organizing the trip now complete, Quad 4 is for evaluating this year and looking at what can be improved next year.

### ***Travel Co***

Travel Co has not been able to organize an event during this Quad. For Quad 4, the committee is planning on organizing an event in collaboration with Grass Touching Co.

### ***UCSRN Team***

The UCSRN Team spent this Quad focusing on recruitment and participant coordination for two inter-UC events. They successfully secured representation for EUC in two out of three categories at Spotlight, organized by Leiden University College, and EUC won in the Spoken Word category. The team also focused on the UCSRN Tournament, hosted by Amsterdam University College, and successfully got participants for every category. For Quad 4, they are planning on promoting the tournament to ensure high EUC turnout.

### ***Yearbook Co***

According to Yearbook Co, everything is according to plan. While the committee is facing some challenges in getting in touch with the new printing company, they are confident that they will figure it out. To ensure a high-quality

yearbook, they have already ordered a test yearbook from the company to verify the print quality. Although Yearbook Co has not organized any specific events in this Quad, their recent initiatives, including the picture days, the cover design competition, and the yearbook questionnaires, were considered successful. The yearbook is almost done and they are now waiting for the final inputs, such as pictures from the ski trip and the UCSRN tournament, to finalize the pages. In Quad 4, they are focusing on actually ordering the yearbook and promoting and selling it.

## **Progress of Anna's Committee**

### ***Bar Co***

Bar Co has had a wonderful Quad! They hosted 2 main events, Beerio Kart and the Alternative Rock Night, in collaboration with Games Co and Music Co, respectively. Both events were massive successes, with both being close to sold out. There have been some difficulties with planning and communication, but they have several exciting events planned in Quad 4.

# Quad 3 Overview

## Week 1:

- Karaoke Night by Music Co

## Week 2:

- Social Drinks by EUCSA Board
- Guest Talk: Planetary Boundaries & Collapse by Sustainability Co

## Week 3:

- Mid-Year Exhibition by Exhibition Team
- Retro Ski Party by Party Co x Ski Team
- Committee Thank You Event by EUCSA Board
- Expert Talk by Sustainability Co
- General Assembly by EUCSA Board
- Brawlstars Tournament by Games & Entertainment Co
- IFFR Screening by Film & Photography Co

## Week 4:

- Spoken Word Crash Course by PoC Co x Writing & Journalism Co
- Zine Making by Writing & Journalism Co x Arts & Crafts Co
- Cook and Connect by Cultural Cooking Co x ESN
- Philosophy Open Night by MEDA
- Carnival Community Night by PoC Co
- Inter UC Jam Session by UCSRN
- Valentines Day by Charity Co
- Blindfolded Dinner by Accessibility Co
- Yoga by Touching Grass Co
- Spoken Word Event by PoC Co x Writing & Journalism Co x Charity Co
- UCSRN GA by UCSRN

## Week 5:

- NMUN Training by Debate Co x Cedo Nulli
- Palestine Awareness Week by PoC Co
  - Bake Sales
  - Screening
  - Lecture
  - Cooking Event
  - Walk-In Workshop
- Volleyball Match VS LUC by Sports Co
- Beeriocart Tournament by Games & Entertainment Co x Bar Co
- Ice Skating by Sports Co x Touching Grass Co
- Murder Mystery by Performance Co x Writing & Journalism co x Wilde
- NMUN Simulation by Debate Co x Cedo Nulli

#### **Week 6:**

- Opening Election Period by EUCSA Board
- Basketball Tournament by Sports Co
- Election Walk-In Hours by EUCSA Board
- Bob Ross Painting Workshop by Arts & Crafts Co
- Consultancy Workshop by MEDA
- Expert Talk by Sustainability Co
- Iftar Crafts by Arts & Crafts Co x PoC Co
- Photomuseum Visit by Exhibition Team x Film & Photography Co
- Alt-Rock Night by Music Co x Bar Co
- Volleyball Match VS UCU by Sports Co
- UCSRN Symposium by UCSRN

#### **Week 7:**

- Women's Week by Fem Co
  - Urban Self-Defense Workshop
  - Bake Sale
  - Banner Making Workshop
  - Tea and Tea Talks

- International Women's Day March
- EMC Lab Tours by MEDA
- Iftar by PoC Co
- Board Meeting Sit-In by EUCSA Board
- Holi Fest by PoC Co
- Geoguessr Tournament by Games & Entertainment Co
- Sprint Try-outs by Sports Co
- Spotlight by UCSRN
- Quantitative Research Methods Study Session by EUCSA x SAAC

**Week 9/10:**

- Ski Trip by Ski Team