



GENERAL ASSEMBLY

17.00 | 08-12-2025 | Nieuwemarkt 1A, 3011 HP, Rotterdam

Attendees:

Total: 35
Online (Zoom): 4
In person: 39

Official Minutes: *Ivar Bakermans*

1. Opening of the GA

The second General Assembly of the academic year 2025-2026 is held in the EUC Atrium and starts at 17.06. Boyan (the EUCSA chair) welcomes everyone.

- Boyan asks everyone to sit down and explains that General Assemblies are there to discuss and vote on issues and topics that concern EUCSA.
- He goes on to mention that this is a regular GA, to go over the plan for the rest of the year, but also an ACT (Assembly for Change and Transformation), which will be hosted by SAAC, he also explains what an ACT is and that Kees and Matthew (both part of the Management Team at EUC) are also in attendance for it
- The agenda is presented and it passes by acclamation.
- Further, he asks everyone to raise their hands and mention their name when they want to say something.

2. ACT

Boyan invites Agrima (Chair of SAAC) and Juan (Vice-Chair of SAAC) to the front to start the ACT. After that Agrima presents the semester recap of SAAC, which includes.

- Studygroups Quad 1
- PDT Study Group Workshop
 - Intended for the First-years to figure out how to organize their years at EUC
- Projects with Accessibility Co.
 - Revising Contemplation room
 - Personal Contact Statement (PCS) for tutors
- Quad 3 & 4 elective videos for First Years.
 - Making sure how First-years can choose their Majors and still keeping their studies broad
- Business Major Focus Groups
 - 17 people attended and results were communicated to the third floor.
- Revising the ARR (Academic Rules & Regulations)
 - Efforts towards revising the AI policy to prevent people from unnecessarily flagging.
- Liberal arts and sciences is again a top-rated program.

- Only one of two at EUR

Juan invites Fem co for their proposal regarding the Menstrual Leave Policy motion. They present their ideas.

- The proposal calls for menstrual leave to be available to all students without restrictions or the need to prove additional medical conditions. Every menstruating person should be entitled to one day of leave per 21 days, reflecting the most common shorter cycle. Although concerns exist about potential abuse of such a policy, the Feminist Collective believes the benefits outweigh these risks. Implementation would rely on student counsellors, and collaboration with SAAC.

Question of Kees about how other schools organise this.

- Fem Co: An International Business University in Hungary collabs with Staff and student counselling, and they regulate one leave day per cycle. At a school in France they also do this, but in the Netherlands it doesn't happen yet

Secondly on the agenda Sus co motion regarding Sustainable Practices and AI-usage. They come forward and present.

- *The new ARR-article about AI should be narrowly inspected, as AI is extremely harmful to the environment, therefore it is also proposed to delete AI-functions from Canvas, whilst increasing AI-awareness. It is suggested to add more plants to the building to create a fresher atmosphere, improve air quality, and support students' mental wellbeing. Additionally, concerns were raised about the lights in Board rooms remaining on for long periods, with a recommendation to switch to on-and-off systems to reduce energy waste. Finally, as people continue to smoke outside, the installation of ashtrays is proposed to prevent cigarette buds from being left around the entrances.*

Question Kees about if Sus Co also has looked into the energy-usage of internet and email and a heads-up that there is a new AI course coming in Quad 3.

- Sus Co is already collabing with Sanne Koevoets about the climate change course and states that AI uses a lot more energy than email or 'regular' internet usage.

Question of Chloe about how Sus Co thinks about tutors encouraging AI-usage.

- Sus Co answers that we cannot govern personal beliefs of students or tutors, but tolerance is better than encouragement, so changing the ARR is a great step forward.

Chloe opens the Open Floor of ACT. any ideas and concerns can be brought up.

Leila suggests that Fem Co do a period pain simulator

- Juan: has been done during Women's Week, we can do it again.
- Shaheli (Chair of Fem co) agrees.

Chloe asks if we can put period products in Mens bathrooms as well, as not every menstruating person necessarily uses the same bathroom.

- Matthew does not see any reason not to and agrees

Agrima comes up, thanks people for coming out, and helping form ACT. Kees elaborates on how they will deal with the issues and thanks the people for the suggestions, they will have a MT meeting about it and says the door is always open for questions and suggestions ('3rd floor is not where the Gods are'). Matthew elaborates that the Top-rated program is really important because it is based on student feedback, which is the core of who it is all about.

3. Updates

Boyan comes to the front again and shares that we still owe the people a 'Mean Girls Dance' so that it will be performed now. It was obviously amazing. A break follows. After the break Boyan continues with the updates regarding Quad 2 follow after the break.

- Recap EUCSA Weekend
 - It was sold out and very successful, the people that were there had fun. We did have a lot of rain which resulted in making some changes in the schedule.
 - Committee progress
 - The committees were busy again in this quad and there were a lot of events, all and all quite successful. Some committees were of course busier than others. More on this can be read in the quad report.
 - Frosty Fundraising
 - Very successful and crushed our goal by more than 150%. The final number was 1508.56. We are glad to see that the EUCSA spirit is living in our community and will keep on building from here.
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4. Plans for the Rest of the Year (primarily Q3 for now)

Boyan continues to talk about the plans for the rest of the year:

- Exchange students introduction day
 - It is already worked out, with doing dinner, a Rotterdam tour, and bowling. We just have to do some final preparation.
- Social drinks will return
 - In the second week of Quad 3 we will have social drinks again, to welcome back the 3rd years. We will finalize the date soon, and communicate this.
- Ski Trip
 - Will be happening in the Spring Break, there are still some tickets left!
- Committee Thank You Event
 - Is in the making for Quad 3, but it takes a lot of preparation time, so stay tuned.

The GA starts to sing for Sophia's (one of EUCSA Committee Affairs Officers) Birthday.

5. Unofficial mascot vote

Boyan invites Anna (EUCSA Treasurer) and Sophia (one of EUCSA Committee Affairs Officers) to the front. They introduce the topic 'Mascot'.

- It is something that has been a theme in EUCSA for years now, but was deemed to be impossible to achieve before. Now, due to tax-money, which we received back, we do have the chance to buy one.
- They continue to say that this will probably be the only year we can make this purchase and the Board wants to do it, but not before consulting with the members of the association. Furthermore they explain that the money spent on the mascot will go to reserves if not spent, and so spending does not hurt the committees.
- The mascot's use will be going to sports matches, UCSRN Tournament, Introweek, but it will also foster community feeling and a more professional look to the outside world.
- They have repeated multiple times that it is a vote purely opinion based and no binded official vote.

They open the floor for questions.

Monica asks what will the mascot look like

- Sophia says that this will be decided after the fact that we decided that we will buy a mascot, but that we will be going for a tiger.

The GA proceeded to unofficial voting, which was positive for a mascot. Anna and Sophia mention that the Board will make a decision soon.

6. OPEN FLOOR

Boyan comes back to the front and says that the Open Floor is for anyone who still has questions. No questions were asked.

7. CLOSING

Ivars thanks everyone for coming out and wishes the members a great rest of their evenings

The GA closes at **17.51**.
