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'Onze nob'le discipline'

By Max Nederkoorn and Stijn van den Wijngaard NB: For ceremonial use only the first verse and the refrain are sung.

> Onze nob'le discipline, De politieke wetenschap! Het debat is voor ons routine, Trots op 't studieus broederschap, Dit Leidsch superieur instituut, Eren wij de vereniging, Die heerst en regeert deze stad: Sedert 't jaar één-en-tachtig Is de SPIL oppermachtig! Maak plaats, hier is de SPIL! De SPIL maakt 't verschil! Chapeau, chapeau: Wij prijzen hoog De glorie van de SPIL [[Rijk'lijk vloei' de alcohol, De politieke borrelpraat! Drinken hoort bij 't protocol, Zoveel dat het nergens meer op slaat. Dit Leidsch superieur instituut, Eren wij de vereniging, Die heerst en regeert deze stad: Wie ons ziet heeft direct een Minderwaardigheidscomplex! Maak plaats, hier is de SPIL! De SPIL maakt 't verschil! Chapeau, chapeau: Wij prijzen hoog De glorie van de SPIL]]

AGENDA

- 1. Opening
- 2. Installing Voting Committee
- 3. Setting the agenda
- 4. Announcements
- 5. Received documents
- 6. Evaluate minutes Change of Boards GA
- 7. Policy manual SPIL Board 2019-2020, 'CaterSPILlar'
- 8. Discharges and installations
- 9. Nominating the board of GA Chairman
- 10. A.O.B.
- 11. Round of questions
- 12. Discharge of Voting Committee
- 13. Closure

Notulen der Wissel-ALV d.d. 12 september 2019 De voorzitter van de Algemene, Dhr. Park, opent de vergadering om 19:15

De aanwezigen van de ALV zijn: Roos Neven Jeonne Beux-Le Guilloux Muriel Verhagen Leonie Andriessen Anna Easton Madelijn Bressers Marnie van Thiel Rex van der Kruit Iris Raith Isabel Schulze Froning Renée Pietersma Nicola Otten Marjolein Nieuwenhuijsen Teun van Dieten Ruben Stift Aline de la Croix Salma Nasser Nomon Ashraf Rick van den Brink Olmo Váo **Ouang Pham** Noor Saris Wiebe Beekman **Timo Salminen** Lisa Pieters Eirini Vougiouka Emre Icanber Pien Wissink Minke Ooslerga Eva Casagrande Catrin Böcher Charlotte Janssen **Rianne van Driel** Eloïse Lochon Frits Weyne Mart van de Riet Niels Bosman Pablo Ziehenheiner Lauren Griesedieck Gaia Gamaggio Margot Ammerlaan Thijs van Aken Bent Schleipfenbauer Margot du Floo Marit van de Bilt Marilie Pilon Bram Leferink op Reinink Sterre Dieteren Lara Wiedmann Sasha van Hoorn Fernando Tafarez Carla Schneider Malouke van Nunen Niels de Brabander Martina Sclaverano Mira Kurtovic Cas Laureijsen Cynthia Zatinge Joanne Castillo Guerra Julia van Antwerpen Ingrid Mehammer Sophie Both Yannick Loskamp Josephine Bensdorp Zoe Warsch Danique de Laat Joana Fehr Maria Folkerts Cinará Yesim Benli Luiza de Zareda Joleda Anouk van Vliet **Emilia Zimmer** Petra Járvimaa Tom van der Meij Laila Bennami Marco Langgartner Nadine de Putter Paulina Medek Fee Zeelenberg Safiya van de Berg Elise van Onselen Floor Oude Wesselink Bas van der Tas Khank Trick Sura Yacoub Jurgen van der Zwet Gijs van der Horst Quinty van de Zee Daniël van de Jeau Jens de Kooker Elaine Tam Patrick Daamen Fons Hooft **Claire Korteweg** Lisa Wale Jesse van de Genugten Nadette Embreghs Willemijn Krans Paloma Croiti Silvia Alonso Oscar Invioletté Andrá Morano Maryem Lhajoui Hirad Rezaiejoo Marije Blom Joao Souza Shanna Ausma Pètra van de Gevel Ramsey Albers Sanne Graaf Abel van de Sluis Paul Maas **Stefan Ruiter** Maurice Wedner-Ross Kamiel Neeleman

Na het zingen van het SPIL-lied opent de ALV-voorzitter de vergadering, heet iedereen welkom en vermeldt dat de vergadering tweetalig is. De opening, algemene dingen en sluiting zullen tweetalig vermeld worden. Vragen mogen in beide talen worden gesteld. De ALVvoorzitter vraagt of aanwezigen uitspraken voor elkaar willen vertalen, helaas kan namelijk niet alles tweetalig gedaan worden wegens een tijdskwestie. The GA chair welcomes everyone to the General Assembly. This assembly will be in two languages. The opening, ending and general comments will be in two languages. But all the Dutch questions will be answered in Dutch and the English questions will be answered in English. I want to ask the Dutch students to translate for the international students since we cannot do everything in both languages due to time constraint. The board asks for your understanding.

Instelling der stemcommissie De ALV-voorzitter vraagt of er kandidaten zijn voor de stemcommissie. The GA chair asks if there are any candidates for the voting committee. Paulina Medek en Maurice Wedner-Ross are part of the voting committee.

Vastsellen agenda Er zijn geen punten meer gewijzigd of toegevoegd. De agenda wordt vastgesteld. The agenda is set.

Medelingen Er zijn twee soorten ALV-boekjes, Engels en Nederlands, verkrijg de juiste. There are two booklets tonight, one in Dutch, one in English, get the right one.

Wegens economische, duurzame redenen zijn de notulen niet in het boekje opgenomen, je kunt deze online vinden. Due to economic and environmental reasons the minutes are not in the booklet, but you can find them online.

Noteer als aanwezige je naam op de lijst en zet een kruisje achter je naam als je vertrekt. Please register yourself on the list and put a cross behind your name when you leave.

Na de ALV zal er een borrel zijn in de Storm. After the GA, there will be drinks at the Storm.

Als je iets wilt zeggen, stel jezelf kort voor met je naam en achternaam zodat we weten wie je bent. If you want to say something, please introduce yourself with your full name, so the GA knows who you are.

Ingekomen stukken Er is een machtiging binnengekomen van dhr. Wesselink voor mevr. Van Vliet.

Vaststellen notulen Kandidaatbestuurs-ALV d.d. 24 juni 2019 Minutes about the GA on the 24th of June. I will ask everybody to get their phone to check the minutes, if you have any comments about grammar or spelling mistakes, please email them to the secretary so we can go quickly through and only answer substantial questions.

De notulen worden per hamerslag vastgesteld.

Eindverslag SPIL-bestuur

Punt 2 – Verenigingsbrede doelstellingen

De ALV-voorzitter vraagt of er vragen zijn over punt 2.3 Balans. The GA chair asks if there are any questions concerning point 2.3 balance.

Mr. Bosman asks if there was a balance concerning formal activities in The Hague and Leiden or whether there might have been more formal activities in The Hague.

Mrs. Otten answers that there were more formal activities in The Hague, because the bigger part of the first and second years were IRO students and that's why it was more natural to do more activities in The Hague. The ratio was around 60/40.

Punt 3 – Voorzitter & Commissaris Acquisitie

De ALV-voorzitter vraagt of er vragen zijn over punt 3. The GA chair asks whether there are questions concerning point 3.

The GA chair asks someone from the PiP-committee to come forward.

Mrs. Fehr says that she had a rewarding experience. The PiP-committee was the reason she got chosen for an internship. The committee met in Utrecht in October and people from a lot of different cities come together. The big challenge was coming up with a theme, speakers and a location. We generally focused on a location, the main location Utrecht was very expensive. In the end we moved the congress to Leiden. In February, we started promoting the congress. When you're organizing an event like this, you have to allow private time and an open session where speakers can talk with the students, because everyone enjoyed that the most.

The GA chair asks someone from the SPIL Weekend committee to come forward.

Mr. Van der Hak says that the committee was formed in November and we immediately started to look for a location. We looked for a combination of a hutje op de hei and the city. We went to Maastricht and it was a great experience with the committee members, apart from some logistical stress and a committee member who lost her bicycle keys.

Mrs. Van den Berg asks if there is going to be a name change for the Active Members Day since only committee members can come.

Mrs. Neven says that they have decided to let the name stay Active Members Day, but if the new board wants to change the name, they can of course do that.

The GA chair asks someone from the Acquisitions committee to come forward.

Mrs. Van den Berg says that they designed a bike care package and a card holder. We also reintroduced the SPIL dopper. We also contacted companies to get money for the SPIL. The most important part is that we had a really fun committee.

Punt 4 – Secretaris & Commissaris Promotie

The GA chair gives the word to the secretary.

Mrs. Andriessen says that she promised to give the numbers of students for the different Bachelor specializations. Right now, there are fifteen hundred and twenty-nine members in total of which five hundred and twenty-three are IRO students, hundred and seven are IP students, hundred and fourteen are Political Science regular track and hundred and thirty-six are IBO students. And 242 are international students.

Mrs. Andriessen says that we now have fifty-seven reunionists.

The GA chair asks if someone from the Promotion committee can come forward.

Mrs. Gamaggio says that the main project was producing new stickers for the SPIL. The main task is making posters and pictures and putting those on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. This year we also introduced Snapchat for the more informal side of SPIL. We also used Instagram Stories and created aftermovies of the trips this year.

Punt 5 – Penningmeester & Commissaris IAPSS

Mrs. Van den Berg asks if Mr. Schleipfenbauer is a member of the SPIL.

Mrs. Nieuwenhuijsen confirms that he is indeed a member of the SPIL.

The GA chair asks someone from the IAPSS committee to come forward. Later this evening someone from the committee will speak about their experience.

Punt 6 – Commissaris Binnenland & Almanak

The GA chair asks someone from the Domestic Affairs committee to come forward.

Mrs. Dieteren says that they organized lectures, tours in the First and Second Chamber and the lecture boat with other study. We loved having Nicola as our commissioner and we are going to miss her very much.

Mrs. Otten adds that for activity 22 the correct numbers are 200 seats available and about 150 to 180 attendees.

The GA chair asks someone from the Freshmen Weekend committee to come forward.

Mrs. Wissink tells the GA that she was the chair. The weekend was in Boxtel and there were a lot of students, also international. The lecture and mostly the karaoke were a huge success. The committee worked hard during the summer break.

The GA chair asks someone from the Yearbook committee to come forward.

Mrs. Easton says that there was a great balance in the committee, and they tried to make it as English as possible. Nicola was very patient with us. The highlights were taking the pictures in white. Some advice for the committee next year is to back up your videos. We are very proud of the result and can't wait to share it with you guys.

Mrs. De Putter asks if there is a way to change the publisher since it's very far away from Leiden and The Hague.

Mrs. Otten says that it's weirdly positioned. There are a lot of printing shops in the southern parts of the Netherlands, the ones with the best deals at least. It's something I want to take into consideration, but it's kind of hard to do when everything is there. For this year went the Dutch members along to Vught and one international girl wanted to.

Punt 7 – Commissaris Buitenland & ICT

The GA chair asks someone from the Foreign Affairs committee to come forward.

Mrs. Böcher says that it was a great experience with Brussels, London in the high peak time of the Brexit. It was very hard to find meetings, because people didn't have time for us. We worked very hard for our last trip to Jerusalem and Tel Aviv. One of the highlights was the excursion for the Dead sea and Massada. The committee was super nice and an awesome commissioner, thank you Marjolein.

Mrs. Nieuwenhuijsen adds that the long trip fee was five hundred and five euros and the CASSA subsidy was fifty euros.

The GA chair asks someone from the Brussels committee to come forward.

Mrs. Lajoui says that the committee was formed in May. This gave us the opportunity to work on it during the summer. The advantage of being formed in May is that you have a lot more time to look for transport and a hostel. Frits is also great as a commissioner which he will be after tonight.

Mr. Loskamp has arrived and will tell something about the IAPPS committee. He says that it would better be called the setback committee, it's part of the game. We planned to organize a trip to IAPSS, but it was planned during our exams. So, we wanted to plan another trip that also fell through. In the end we came up with our own symposium with interesting speakers. We had a lot of setbacks but organized something in the end.

Mrs. Van Hoorn asks what has been done to ensure that this year the SPIL will go to IAPSS.

Mr. Van der Kruit answers that he can't guarantee that the SPIL will go to IAPSS, but that he does have a lot of contact with IAPSS and I really hope that they will move the dates of the congress.

Schorsing tot 20.15

The GA chair asks someone from the Dies committee to come forward.

Mr. Loskamp says that dies is the birthday of the SPIL. This year we're going to do a week instead of a day. We're going to have speakers and a biercantus, which is drinking a lot of beer and singing. Everyone should definitely join that, there is also a tour in The Hague. Hope to see you all there.

Mr. Van der Zwet has a question concerning some dots in the foreign affairs policy.

Mrs. Nieuwenhuijsen answers that it is six hundred and nineteen euros. It's up to the 39th board if they want to spend it all on ICT or part of it.

Punt 8 – Commissaris Onderwijs & Faciliteiten

The GA chair asks someone from the Education committee to come forward.

Mrs. Van Der Bilt says that they organized stuff that had to do with their study, like speeddating and a lecture boat. We also did things we each other and I had a really nice year and I want to thank Aline.

Mrs. Bennami asks how the booksale has improved, by Aline's doing or by Studystore.

Mrs. De la Croix says that Studystore has improved on the way they communicate to us, our contact person was very eager to let us know if there were any issues, so I could let our students know. They were developing and having better relations with us.

Mrs. Bennami asks if that's something you're going to give as advice for the person who's going to handle this next.

Mrs. De la Croix says that she would like to advise her successor to keep good relations and in good contact with Studystore. We already scheduled a meeting with our contact person, so they can meet, and we can keep up the good relationship.

Mrs. Van Vliet asks on what it was based that activities in The Hague are more popular.

Mrs. De la Croix says that she based it on the fact that she did different activities in the different cities and I based this on the turnout. I could see that when I talked to students in Leiden, they were more interested in the informal activities and students in The Hague were more interested in the educational activities. I would still say that looking at the activities, that it would be best to do it at both cities and look at what your audience is.

Mrs. Bennami asks if the master committee that didn't go well is a specific thing or are you thinking about something else to lure in the master students.

Mrs. De la Croix says that she tried to enthusiast the master students in her year. She wanted to try to use the book sale to lure them in. the committee of master students will be positioned next year.

Mrs. Van Vliet asks if there were sufficient activities.

Mrs. De la Croix says that there could be more activities, I would advise my successor to divide the activities at best. I didn't do that and had some time issues. You have to look at the cities and focus on exam periods and organize activities around those.

The GA chairs asks someone from the Facilities committee to come forward.

Mr. Weyne says that he was in the committee last year and that it will be a different committee next year. It was a great opportunity and the start of my story in the SPIL. I had great committee members and organizing great events, some highlights were the borrels, gala and the pub crawl. But also, the legendary band night. I think the committee has had a great year, a lot of drinking with each other and going out together. I think Aline did a great job in changing the committee in more than just a group of people and we can be thankful for that.

Mr. Van Dieten asks what the GSA is

Mrs. De la Croix explains that it is a Grote Sociale Activiteit, which basically an be anything. We did a Terrace Hop.

Mrs. Bennami asks why some activities don't have that many participants.

Mrs. De la Croix answers that the activities should be spread out more evenly. I had a lot of activities in the second semester in comparison to the first semester. I would recommend that to my successor.

Mrs. Bennami asks if there are any activities that she would not do again.

Mrs. De la Croix says that the GSA was amazing, but the trip to Madurodam was something that she wanted to skip. I won't recommend it.

Mrs. Bennami asks if she had fun.

Mrs. De la Croix says that she had a lot of fun with everything, some things did give me a litte bit of stress. The things I remember were fun.

Punt 9 – Commissaris DEBAT

The GA chair asks someone from the committee to come forward.

Mrs. Casagrande says that she was in the editorial board. DEBAT is a magazine of SPIL and issued four times a year. Last year, we had 23 members and we had meetings before every issue where we discussed the topics. We also had a subcommittee for online. There were a lot of changes last year, especially because of very good skills of Rick. We got our own website. So, looking forward on this website, we will try to publish all the articles in both languages. I would really like to thank Rick.

Mr. van der Zwet asks if the goal of a weekly article was passed.

Mr. van den Brink answers that there was a subcommittee and there were some struggles with the management. After a while, I found out that they didn't reach the goal and I stepped in, but with less people the goal wasn't manageable. I hope my successor is able to reach the goal.

M,rs. Litiens asks what he considers his best issue.

Mr. van den Brink answers that he thinks that the second issue is his best. There was a lot of enthusiasm and that translated into a great issue.

Mrs. Van Viet gives her compliments for every edition and asks about the difference in translating every article.

Mr. van den Brink says an article was published firsthand in the issue, most online articles are put up and that they will be able to translate it. The pictures are copyright and I hope you will all appreciate it. I think my successor is qualified.

Mr. van den Brink adds that there are four hundred and fifty followers of the Facebook page and hundred and six followers on Instagram.

Mrs. Bennami asks about the penalty from ANP and how this could have happened. I remember that she moved all pictures, so is there something new?

Mr. van den Brink says that it was a new article that was published. There was an issue with the police, who I contacted. They obliged that I could take their picture of Twitter and were not part of a share, but we found out it wasn't theirs and were contacted by the ANP to pay a fee. We contacted the police and they paid the fee, so we were lucky.

Mrs. Bennami asks if it is an idea to have a policy about publishing pictures, so this doesn't happen again.

Mr. van den Brink answers that a there isn't a written policy, but I have a strict line with copyrights free lines. In general, we always use those pictures from the copyright's free websites, so we don't get any problems. I once made an exception and we were fine, but I strongly advise to keep to those websites or buy the pictures.

Mrs. Van Vliet asks if Rick recommends the enlargement of the committee to 25.

Mr. van den Brink answers that in general that the enlargement was a good size. I would advise my successor to divide them up in subcommittees instead of having one large committee and have them specialized. I think you apply for the general committee and specify in your motivation letter or during your interview.

Mrs. Böcher suggests that everyone speaks up so everyone can hear each other.

Jaarplanner

Mrs. Bennami asks about the amount of activities in the second semester.

Mrs. Andriessen answers that she thinks that the thing with the more activities in the second semester was that the activities were moved because of personal reasons. Therefore, we had two weeks where there were a lot of activities and it would be better to skip some activities.

Mrs. Embregts asks about Rellen met de ME, are you planning on giving it to your successors as something to do.

Mrs. De la Croix says it was in her policy to do this activity. There were a lot of activities and therefore decided not to do this activity, but I really wanted to do it this year. I would recommend it to my successor.

Mrs. Böcher asks mrs. De la Croix to specify 'Rellen met de ME'

Mrs. De la Croix answers that it means that the police need people to stage pretend to riot so the police can practice helping solve riots. It's a great stress releaser and we did it a couple years ago and it was a lot of fun.

Realisatie

Mrs. Bennammi asks about looking into other banks, if that is an option.

Mr. van der Kruit answers that he did some orientation and I concluded that the bank is the easiest way to have as a study association. I talked to the treasurer of Grotius and Labyrint and they all had the bank of ING but they strongly advise to use our bank.

Mrs. Bennami asks about the gift to the 38th board and why the gala tickets were so expensive, when part of the gift was used to pay for the bus.

Mr. van der Kruit answers that the bus was excluded from the ticket price, so people from Leiden or The Hague had the same fee. Mrs. De la Croix adds that people from Leiden didn't have to pay for a bus they didn't use.

Mrs. Bennami asks about the Constitutieborrel and why the boardmembers partly paid for it. Very well done with less money. Why let yourselves pay if the SPIL can afford it.

Mrs. Van der Kruit answers that he agrees, but the GA two years ago advised the board to pay partly of the fee, I will say it to my successor.

Mrs. Bennami asks that if there is money and you are on your budget, make sure to use it.

Mrs. Van der Kruit says that they changed it to five euros.

Mrs. Van den Berg asks about the snacks, when we can expect them.

Mrs. Andriessen answers that she can't go and check, but that they should be here. Borrelfeut Mr. Weyne is going to ask.

Mrs. Van Vliet asks about the Alumniborrel, why there was no money used.

Mr. van der Kruit responded that they didn't organize the Alumniborrel in the end.

Mrs. Bennami asks why the Parents day in Leiden costs more than in The Hague.

Mr. van der Kruit responds that the price of keeping FSW open was higher and we thought we would have more participants.

Mrs. Bennami asks how that could have happened since the prices are always checked beforehand.

Mr. van der Kruit says that Labyrint organized the Parents day in Leiden and he asked them and there was a mistake.

Mrs. Böcher asks why there was money budgeted for Education evaluations, but it was not spent. Mrs. Böchers asks what is was planned for.

Mrs. De la Croix answers that it was done differently a couple years ago and there were snacks. This year, it was done digital, so the snacks did not have to be bought.

Mrs. Bennami asks if Mr. van der Kruit knows if there is going to be a trip to IAPSS next year.

Mr. van der Kruit responds that this will be the case and he has advised his successor to budget it in. if it is not possible, I advise to organize something else.

Mrs. Van Vliet asks about the costs for the PvP, if this is going to be something yearly or just once.

Mr. van der Kruit answers that it was just once.

Mrs. Van Vliet asks why there was money budgeted for Acquisitions training that was not used.

Mrs. Neven answers that she wanted to organize an Acquistions training, but I could not find one for the budget. In the second semester, I did not see the point of doing it. I would advise my successor, to do it.

Mrs. Bennami asks how the vendors are, if they have paid yet.

Mr. van der Kruit responds that they have not paid yet and will advise his successor to bomb them with requests to pay.

Mrs. Bennami wants to give her compliments to the treasurer for the budget and on the balance.

Mr. van der Kruit thanks Mrs. Bennami.

Mrs. Van den Berg gives credits to Mrs. Neven because she forgot it in her Acquisitions committee speech.

Mrs. Neven thanks Mrs. Van den Berg.

Mrs. Krans asks about why they had two flights during the long trip and how this fit with our green policy.

Mrs. Nieuwenhuijsen answers that she was not aware of any green policy within the SPIL, but that it is not good for the CO2 ommissions. You have to first flight somewhere before you can fly to Tel Aviv. I personally feel that we compensated this because we took the Train to London. I personally feel really guilty.

Mrs. Krans answers that she does not really care that much.

Mrs. Bennami asks what the deal was with the participant that did not fly with them but wanted to fly back.

Mrs. Nieuwenhuijsen explains that the participant was from Bulgaria and that he signed up for the trip and already booked a flight home. On the flight back, we found out that his flight was cancelled because he did not fly to Tel Aviv with us. I checked the contract, but it did not say anything about it. You had to take both flights and that is why we had to buy a ticket for him.

Mrs. Oude-Wesselink wants to give credits to whoever organized the Freshmen Weekend, because they had so much fun.

The GA chair sets the final report of the 38th board of the SPIL.

Kasverslag

Mrs. Embregts explains about the last financial check of the Audit committee. Two weeks ago, we did the last financial check, Mr. van der Kruit did an excellent job. There were some items lost, but we found them again. Mrs. Embregts thanks Mr. van der Kruit for his work behind the scenes. Members do not often know what is going on behind the scenes.

The GA chair sets the audit report from the committee 'without a name there is no fame'.

Kandidaatstelling Kasco

Mrs. Bennami has written a letter and will now read it aloud. I am from Morocco and I have been a board member of the SPIL and I was the treasurer in the 37th board. In this time, I learned how important this position is. It is very important for the treasurer to have an extra hand in helping her with her duties. I hope I am able to fulfill this task with my former boardmember, Mrs. Van Vliet. Working together is important and I believe we can do that.

Mrs. Van Vliet thinks that Mrs. Bennami said all the important things and thinks working together with Mrs. Bennami will work out fine and that I will be able to ask critical questions.

The GA chair finds that there are no new candidates and that the new Audit committee will be installed during the installations.

Presentatie Almanak Mrs. Otten admits that she is pretty nervous. Not only because this is my last day as a boardmember, but it was quite a bumpy road to get to the yearbook I have now. We put together some interesting articles and we also did interviews with inspiring people. We took the most beautiful committee pictures and it was wonderful to do it together. There was also some disappointment, the video that we last before the announcement. I found out yesterday that there was an extra page added, so every page shifted to one side. During this year I learned to deal with stress and disappointment, but the panic I felt yesterday was on a whole new level. My boardmembers helped me and they made me realize that the reason my committee did this is because we wanted an overview that you guys can always pick up in ten of fifteen years and be reminded of this great year we had, climbing Massada, founding out that Maastricht does have mountains. I can go on all night and even though the book is printed incorrectly, is captured all this and that is most important. I can really say that the word proud is an understatement how I feel about my committee, I could always count on them and even though there was shit happening, they all got me through, and it was so nice to have so much fun with your committee. From the bottom of my heart, thank you, I really appreciate it. Now I have the honor of handing the first yearbook to my successor Niels. I am sure you will do a great job, just make sure to triple count the pages. I really believe you can do it and that you like reading mine.

Schorsing tot 22.00

Decharges en installaties The GA chair apologises in advance in case she mispronounces the names of the committee members to be discharged.

The GA chair discharges Safiya van den Berg, Bart van de Giessen, Thomas Groenink, Gijs Koeleman, Vera Safranova from the Acquisitons Committee

The GA chair discharges Anna Easton, Marina Grama, Alizee Leclercq, Sophie van Lil, Anna, Mamedova, Brechtje van der Spijk, Annelle van der Wel, Tim van der Zwet from the Almanak committee.

The GA chair discharges Helena Däberitz, Sterre Dieteren, Nika Engelen, Paul Flachenecker, Niklas Frieler, Stefan Ruiter, Marius Stemmer, Fee Zeelenberg Domestic Affairs committee

The GA chair discharges Noga Barak, Catrin Böcher, Jan Eric Hagendorn, Gijs van der Horst, Elsemieke Nelissen, Lisa Pieters, Noor Saris, Antonia Schräder from the Foreign Affairs committee.

The GA chair discharges Eva Casagrande, Wessel Deelstra, Jan Frensen, Michelle van der Linden, Laura Steel Pascual, Anouk Flinkert, Michelle Klijn, Stefan-Alin Paiu, Stefany Vizcarra, Lisa Walen, Mohammed Reza Azizi, Coen de Boer, Niels Bosman, Jordan Dittmar, Huib van Doorn, Pètra van de Gevel, Daniël van er Hak, Willemijn Krans, Francesca Chiara Lionetti, Aimilia Sarafi, Zuzanna Sciborska, Josefien Swennenhuis, Caroline Weiss, Emilia Zimmer from the DEBAT committee

The GA chair discharges Laura Einarson, Thomas Groenink, Claire Korteweg, Elsmenieke Nelissen, Julia van der Weide, Frits Weyne, Pien Wissink from the Freshmen Weekend committee.

The GA chair discharges Max Gründahl, Linden Hoksbergen, Sasha van Hoorn, Eloise Lochon, Julia van der Weide, Frits Weyne from the Facilities committee.

The GA chair discharges Rianne van Driel, Yannick Loskamp, Thea Rawe, Meyha de Rooij, Olivier Wang from the IAPSS committee

The GA chair discharges Nadette Embregts, Fedde van der Herberg from the Audit committee.

The GA chair discharges Hana Abdelatti, Marit van der Bilt, Sina Heckenberger, Jasmine Howarth, Kimia Midavoodi, Abel van der Sluis, Ilja Treuren from the Education committee

The GA chair discharges Joana Fehr, Simone Scholte from the PiP committee.

The GA chair discharges Laura Einarson, Gaia Gamaggio, Judith Stam, Daniek Suurd, Marjet Vermeij from the Promotion committee.

The GA chair discharges Gaia Gamaggio, Daniël van der Hak, Michelle Klein, Eloïse Lochon, Kimia Midavoodi, Anne Mondrian, Daniek Suurd from the SPIL-weekend committee.

The GA chair discharges Mr. van den Brink as commissioner DEBAT & Vice-President.

The GA chair discharges Mrs. De la Croix as commissioner Education & Facilities. The GA chair discharges Mrs. Nieuwenhuijsen as commissioner Foreign Affairs & ICT. The GA chair discharges Mrs. Otten ad commissioner Domestic Affairs & Almanak. The GA chair discharges Mr. van der Kruit as treasurer & commissioner IAPSS. The GA chair discharges Mrs. Andriessen as secretary & commissioner Promotion. The GA chair discharges Mrs. Neven as president & commissioner Acquisition.

The GA chair installs Mrs. Saris as President. The GA chair installs Mrs. Pieters as secretary. The GA chair installs Mrs. Wissink as treasurer. The GA chair installs Mrs. Böcher as commissioner of Education & Politics. The GA chair installs Mr. Weyne as commissioner Global Relations. The GA chair installs Mr. Bosman as commissioner Internal Relations. The GA chair installs Mrs. Gamaagio as commissioner External Relations.

The GA chair installs Yesim Benli (chair), Pablo Ziekenheiner (secretary), Eirini Vougiouka (treasurer), Luiza de Lacerda Toledo, Shanna Ausma, Margot du Floo as the Introduction committee.

The GA chair installs Charlotte Janssen (chair), Jesse van der Genugten (secretary), Fons Hooft as the Promotion committee.

The GA chair installs Zoe Walsh (chair), Maurice Wedner-Ross (secretary), Bent Schleipfenbauer (treasurer) Wiebe Beekman, Rick van den Brink as the Acquisition committee.

The GA chair installs Lauren Griesedieck (chair), Margot Ammerlaan (secretary), Eloise Lochon (treasurer), Charlotte Janssen, Mart van de Riet as the Social Activities committee.

The GA chair installs João Souza (chair), Iris Raith (secretary), Ramsey Albers (treasurer), Danique de Laat, Carla Schneider, Petra Järvimaa, Teun van Dieten as the Education committee.

The GA chair installs Marije Blom (chair), Renee Pietersma (secretary), Thijs van Aken (treasurer), Isabel Schulze Froning, Maria Victoria Folkerts Cincura as the Excursions committee.

The GA chair installs Paulina Medek (chair), Ingrid Mehammer (secretary), Bram Leferink op Reinink (treasurer), Emre Kanber, Patrick Daamen as the Formal committee.

The GA chair installs Suzanne Glimmerveen (chair), Maira Bolders (secretary), Hirad Rezaiejoo (treasurer), Noman Ashraf as the Master committee.

The GA chair installs Sasha van Hoorn (chair), Elise van Onselen (secretary), Jurgen van der Zwet (treasurer), Sterre Dieteren, Malouke van Nunen, Jette Boonstra, Madelijn Bressers as the Festive committee.

The GA chair installs Bas van der Tas (chair), Juni Victoria Moltubak (secretary), Marilie Pilon (treasurer), Lara Wiedmann, Oscar Laviolette Di Carpegna, Marco Langgartner as the Short Trip committee.

The GA chair installs Lieke van der Veen (chair), Floor Oude Wesselink (secretary), Timo Salminen (treasurer), Sanne Scheltinga, Melis Kirtilli as the Congress committee.

The GA chair installs Muriel Verhagen, Jeanne Belly-Le Guilloux as the PiP committee.

The GA chair installs Laura Steel Pascual (chair), Daniël van der Hak (secretary), Jan Frensen (vice-chair), Silvia Alonso (editorial), Eva Casagrande (editorial), Akanksha Patil (editorial), Fernando Tabarez Rienzi (editorial), Quinty van der Zee (online), Lisa Walen (online), Lara Schade (online) Pètra van de Gevel (online), Ruben Stift (online), Emilia Zimmer (online), Tom van der Meij (online), Quang Pham vu, Gabriella Nicole Veda, Salma Nasser, Tessel van der Veeken, Marnix van Thiel, Noman Anshraf, Francesca Lionetti, Elaine Tam, Almilina Sarafi, Khanh Trinh, Martina Sclaveranoas the DEBAT committee.

The GA chair installs Anna Easton (chair), Mira Kurtovic (secretary), Paloma Crotti (treasurer), Eirni Vougiouka (vice-chair), Sura Yacoub, Margot Ammerlaan as the Yearbook committee.

The GA chair installs Laila Bennami and Anouk van Vliet as the Audit committee. The GA chair installs Danny Donker as secretary in the Brussels committee. The GA chair installs Bas van der Tas in the Voting committee. Schorsing tot 23.15

W.v.t.t.k.

Mrs. Pieters announces that there are motions.

The first motion is as follows: *De Algemene Ledenvergadering, hier bijeen te etablissement Einstein, Nieuwe Rijn 19 te Leiden, constaterende dat de functions of the commissioner of Domestic Affairs and the commissioner of Education will be merged today en daarom moesten we daarop drinken, dus the commissioner of Domestic Affairs and the commissioner of Education trekken een bak, they look thirsty.*

En gaan over tot de orde van de dag,

Sterre Dieteren, Marit van der Bilt, Fee Zeelenberg, Sasha van Hoorn, Stefan Ruiter, Abel van de Sluis, Bas van der Tas en Jurgen van der Zwet.

Mrs. Pieters summarizes in English that the commissioner of Education and the commissioner of Domestic Affairs have to chug their drink, because their functions will be merged.

Mrs. Neven says that the motion is not valid, because it is based on one moment and they are not the commissioners anymore. The motion is declared not valid by the GA chair. Mrs. Otten and Mrs. De la Croix says they will chug their drink and they will do it.

There is another motion: *De Algemene Ledenvergadering, hier bijeen te etablissement Einstein, Nieuwe Rijn 19 te Leiden, constaterende dat the e.t. commissioner of Domestic Affair & Yearbook of the 38th board, Serial SPIL'er, will not be within the borders of this country until the end of December and can therefore not attend any SPIL-activities during* this time, the 39th board should send a weekly update on what happened within the SPIL each Friday afternoon until she returns to the Netherlands.

Back to the order of the day,

Rick van den Brink, Nicola Otten, Aline de la Croix, Leonie Andriessen, Marjolein Nieuwenhuijsen, Roos Neven and Rex van der Kruit.

Mrs. Krans asks if the 39th board has the time to do this, because they already need to do a lot of stuff.

Mrs. Pieters answers that because of all her efforts in the past year, the 39th board will find the time to write her a weekly update.

Mrs. Krans asks how creative we will be, and will it be shared with other SPIL'ers. I would like to see a conceptual dance. Mr. van den Brink adds that he supports the idea of a conceptual dance.

Mrs. Pieters answers that she thinks the ideas are great and that we will take them into consideration, but that it will also be fun for Mrs. Otten to not know what she will receive and maybe mix it up for her and not sent her the same every week.

Mrs. Krans wants to make an amendment that there will be a conceptual dance one time about a SPIL-activity and share it in the newsletter to the SPIL'ers.

Mrs. Andriessen is against putting it in the newsletter, she does not think it's the place for this, it should just be shared with Mrs. Otten. Mrs. Krans agrees with this and retracts the newsletter part.

Mrs. Graaf says everyone has to take into consideration that the board will be very busy. The amendment passes with 23 votes in favor of the motion, 6 votes against and 9 votes abstained.

The motion passes with 31 votes in favor and 7 motion abstained.

There is another motion: De Algemene Ledenvergadering, hier bijeen te etablissement Einstein, Nieuwe Rijn 19 te Leiden, constaterende that the SPIL jas just lost their most prominent board yet, the 38th board, calling themselves Serial SPIL'ers and that they should be given extra attention. Therefore, during the Dies week, a special version of the SPIL song should be sung during the cantus containing 'hooray' 38 times instead of the regular three times.

Back to the order of the day,

Marjolein Nieuwenhuijsen, Rick van den Brink, Nicola Otten, Rex van der Kruit, Aline de la Croix, Leonie Andriessen and Roos Neven.

Mrs. Neven says that the most prominent board yet has just stepped down. We are also the ones who made the Dies committee happen for the first time, so it's honorable for us as a board that the SPIL song is sung, but with 38 'hoorays'.

Mr. van der Zwet asks if this is valid, because it is for one time. Mrs. Neven says that it is valid for every Dies cantus.

Mrs. Krans says that this was a very laffe GA, because it's early and therefore, Mrs. Neven has to say hooray 38 times. Mrs. Neven takes word and says hooray 38 times. Mrs. Krans asks if it possible to make sure that it is actually 38 times.

Mrs. Saris replies that we will someone counting at the cantus.

Mrs. De la Croix wants to have the amendment that if the 39th board says hooray 39 times, they have to buy the 38th board a drink.

Amendment has passed with 31 votes in favor, 7 votes abstained.

Mrs. Graaf asks who will pay the drinks if the board says hooray 39 times. Mrs. Neven says that the SPIL will pay, so everyone will pay attention.

Mr. Weyne was wondering if the 38th board will be present to sing along with the hooray. Mrs. Neven says that seven boardmembers will be hard, but that six out of seven will be possible.

Mrs. Otten wants to add an amendment that they will only have to buy beer for the boardmembers who are present. It will be a spoken agreement.

The motion has passed with 31 votes in favor, 7 votes abstained.

The GA chair discharges Paulina Medek from the voting committee.

Rondvraag

Mr. de Ruiter asks if there will be a bandjes borrel so Mr. van de Sluis and he can start preparing.

Mrs. Gamaggio says that it will be a possibility.

Mrs. Graaf asks if it's possible if it's possible to just ask if anyone has questions instead of going through the whole list. The GA chair says it is not possible.

Mrs. Krans vraagt zich af of Dhr. Bosman ervan op de hoogte is dat zij erg blij is dat hij aan het hoofd van de Dies commissie staat en dat zij zeker weet dat het een enorm succes gaat worden.

Mrs. Krans wonders if Mr. Bosman knows that she is very happy that he is the commissioner of Dies and that she knows that it is going to be a success.

Mevr. Krans vraagt zich af of Mevr. Böcher ervan op de hoogte is dat zij straks in dit team zit en dat ze mooie tijden hebben meegemaakt in Buenos Aires en alle leuke dingen mee gaat nemen naar je komende bestuur en ze vraagt zich af of ze samen nog een keer en alcoholisch drankje gaan nuttigen.

Mrs. Krans wonders if Mr. Böcher knows that she is very happy with her within this team and that they had some good times in Buenos Aires. She hopes Mrs. Böcher will take all her great things with her during her board year and she wonders if they will drink an acoholic beverage someday.

Mevr. Krans vraagt zich af of Mevr. Saris al een idee heeft voor de conceptuele dans en of ze dit met ons zou willen delen.

Mrs. Krans wonders if Mrs. Saris already has an idea for the conceptual dance and if she is willing to share this with us.

Mevr. Krans vraagt zich af of Mevr. Wissink ervan op de hoogte is dat ze heel blij is dat ze deze functie gaat overnemen.

Mrs. Krans wonders if Mrs. Wissink know that she is very happy with her as the successor.

Mevr. Krans vraagt zich af of de overige bestuursleden ervan op de hoogte zijn dat ondanks dat ik jullie niet zo goed ken, ik er veel vertrouwen in heb en jullie hoop beter te leren kennen.

Mrs. Krans wonders if the other boardmembers know that despite the lack of knowing you, I have complete faith in you and hope to get to know you better.

Mrs. Gamaggio wonders if the GA, the CALVV, the 38th board and the 39th board know that I am very much looking forward to next year and I am very excited to serve as the 39th board. I am excited to be the first international student in this board as well.

Mr. Bosman wonders if the GA, the CALVV, the 38th board and the 39th board know how much I am looking forward to this year, how grateful I am for all of your trust and your support, for all the information you have given us. For all the help in preparing these last few weeks.

Mr. Weyne wonders if the GA, the CALVV, the 38th board and the 39th board know that I am really happy with this opportunity with the trust from all of you. I am really thankful for everyone here tonight, it has been really long, but thank you all for being here. I am really looking forward to this year.

Mrs. Böcher wonders if the GA, the CALVV, the 38th board and the 39th board know that I am really happy to sit here today. I did not expect last year that I would be sitting here and that I got so excited, this is very much due to the 38th board and their great efforts. I am really happy that a lot of you are still there and I am looking forward to next year. Thanks to all the laughs.

Mrs. Wissink wonders if the GA, the CALVV, the 38th board and the 39th board know that I am very grateful that I am sitting here and that I am very much looking forward to next year. I want to thank the 38th board for putting so much effort into teaching us everything we need to know and knowing we can always count on them.

Mrs. Pieters wonders if the GA, the CALVV, the 38th board and my fellow CaterSPILar boardmembers know that I am very faithful that I am sitting here right now, and I am so grateful to you and all that you have done for us. You have helped us so much through the past few months and I am so grateful that you wanted to be here with us and dragged us through everything. I am so excited for next year, I really want to go through this adventure with you. I am grateful for all the people still sitting here.

Mrs. Saris wonders if the GA, the CALVV, the 38th board and the 39th board know that I am super grateful for everyone here, your support, your love, all your hard work. I could not have imagined sitting on this site of the table one year ago, I cannot imagine what I will go through next year. I am very excited, and I have a lot of love for all of you guys.

Mr. van den Brink wonders if the GA chair, my fellow Serial SPIL'ers and the CaterSPILlars know that I want to congratulate you and I am very sad to leave as boardmember. I want to thank everyone here for sitting here.

Mrs. De la Croix wonders if the GA chair, my lovely fellow 38th Serial SPIL'er boardmembers and the 39th CaterSPILlar board know that it has been a long night and I am tired, but I want to congratulate you and I am proud of everyone. I want to do a special shoutout to Catrin, Frits and Gaia, I know you are going to do amazing next year. I have one question, Catrin can I see your socks?

Mrs. Nieuwenhuijsen wonders if the CALVV, the GA, the 39th board know that I am really proud of you guys. I am a little sad to leave the board, but I know you guys will do great and I am really really proud of you. My fellow boardmembers, I am really proud of us. It has not always been easy, it has been fun and I think that we are all glad that we survived. And lastly, thank you Bent for being there.

Mrs. Otten wonders if the GA, the GA chair, my 38th board and the 39th board are aware that CaterSPILlar is a cute name and I am excited to see you guys grow and I know this is going to happen. I am super proud of you, you are going to do great and I trust you guys. You are going to make this year amazing for all of your committee members and active members. The GA, I think you are all in committees, so congratulations. I want to say to my fellow boardmembers, I am extremely proud, I realized while Roos was speeching that I am very proud of what you guys did.

Mr. van der Kruit wonders if the GA, the CALVV, the 38th board and the 39th board are aware that I am already proud of you guys, but I am also very proud of us. I am really looking forward to hearing all those great stories and I want to wish you all the luck in the world. Mrs. Andriessen wonders if the GA, the CALVV, the 39th CaterSPILlar board and my fellow 38th Serial SPIL'er board aware that I am very proud of the 39th board. Little shoutout to Lisa, I think you are already doing very great and I trust you completely. To all the people that are still here, thank you. I know this has been very long GA, but it is also a very fun GA. To my fellow boardmebers, I am very proud of all of you, I had a lovely year and I am sad that it is over.

Mrs. Neven wonders if the CALVV, the GA, the 39th and the lovely 38th e.t. board aware that I am feeling really weird right now. Honestly, I think we all have thought sometimes 'I'm

done with this', but right now it just does not feel right. I already expressed how proud I am of my fellow boardmembers, but I am also very proud of you and I am sure that this year, you are going to give the SPIL a great year. That the entire GA was in English is a major change and it's going to be good for you guys. I also think that the GA was chaired really well. **Decharge der stemcommissie**

The GA chair has already discharged the voting committee since she had to catch her train. The GA chair still discharges Bas van der Tas as the voting committee.

Sluiting

The GA chair reminds everyone that there will be drinks in the Storm after this.

POLICY PLAN CATERSPILLAR 2019 – 2020

1. LONG TERM GOALS STUDY ASSOCIATION FOR POLITICAL SCIENCE STUDENTS

The main goals of the association have been recorded in the articles of the association. These are the

following:

The association's goal is to:

1. a. contribute to a lively exchange of views, regarding subjects of interest to political scientists

within the field of Political Science and beyond;

1. b. advance contacts with universities outside of The Netherlands in its broadest sense;

1. c. inform about the possibilities of internships and about the position of political scientists on the

job market;

1. d. advance contact between political scientists on an informal level.

2. The association aims to reach this goal by organizing gatherings in the broadest sense, domestic

and foreign excursions and publication of a journal.

3. The association is politically neutral.

These are the foundations upon which the policy goals of the XXXIXth board CaterSPILlar are built.

2. ASSOCIATION WIDE POLICY GOALS

"I didn't get there by wishing for it or hoping for it, but by working for it"- Estee Lauder

The XXXIXth SPIL board will handle the following association wide policy goals this year.

2.1. Harmony

The XXXIXth board has selected harmony as one of its goals because it aims at a good working atmosphere, pleasant cooperation with its members and other associations and a harmony between languages and cities.

Harmony is used to indicate an equilibrium, not an exact duplicate. To achieve this harmony, the board will take into account the animo for specific events and judge which city is most suitable for said event. The board will also listen to the needs and wants of students. Additionally, the board shall also take into account other planned activities and strive to guarantee the harmony.

As the association is situated in two cities, in both Leiden and The Hague, the XXXIXth board deems it ultimately important that all members are represented and are given the opportunity to participate in SPIL events. Moreover, the XXXIXth board strives to maintain good relations with the hallway- and sister associations in order to guarantee the harmony between the before mentioned associations. This will be done by striving for an open, friendly and cooperative attitude towards both the hall way- and sister associations as other

associations the board cooperates with or sees chances to cooperate with. Furthermore, following the concept of harmony, the board strives to create a harmonious relationship between the languages of Dutch and English. The board strives to respect and upkeep certain traditions and Dutch aspects of the association, while the board also recognizes that internationalization is the following step and will bring an extra dimension to the association.

2.2. Evolution

Central to the XXXIXth board this year is evolution. Evolution is meant in regard to the committee restructuring and to the continuing internationalization within both the association and the board. Over time caterpillars evolve into beautiful butterflies. We want to follow this example and want to continuously learn and evolve. We want to do that as an association, as a board and want to give our members the opportunity to develop. Evolution has many aspects. This is why we chose the name 'CaterSPILlar' ad that is something we also want to present in our policy. It will be our vision for the upcoming year. The XXXVIIIth board restructured the committees, which results in more available places for committee members and more autonomy of committees. The board will strive for a dynamic attitude toward the committees by listening to the committees and will closely look at the relationship between the commissioner and the chair to optimize the routine. A session has been planned to do this, in this session the board will look at how they can maximize the capabilities of the committees.

Evolution in regard to the internationalization of the association will also play a big role this year. For the first time in the SPIL, there are multiple international students in the board, which will provide new insights within the board, which will reflect outward. The main language during activities has been English for some years now, however, experience teaches us that a lot of Dutch is spoken. The board strives to lessen the gap between the languages by speaking as much English as possible, so as to include as many people as possible. Moreover, despite the numerus fixus, there are 400 first year IRO students, double the amount of the dutch specializations combined. This results in a big new stream of international students and the task of the board is to take the lead in making all international and Dutch students feel welcome at the SPIL. The board believes that speaking English will contribute to creating a welcoming sphere. In the common room in The Hague the prefered language will be English, as this will make it more accessible for students there to strike up a conversation with a cup of coffee or tea. While the amount of English is increasing within the association, it will not be the only language. All Dutch members can always approach the board in Dutch and some of the events will also be in Dutch. The board tries to keep a balance between the two languages. However it also acknowledges the fact that all Dutch students understand English while not all international students understand Dutch.

2.3. Interconnection

A study association is nothing without its members. This includes all members, the active members who take it upon themselves to partake in two committees to the members who solely signed up for the book discounts. The XXXIXth board will therefore work very hard to make this year splendid for all the members. To ensure that the members feel welcome within the SPIL, the board will attend the activities, borrels and run the common room shifts with an open attitude. The board strives for accessibility and getting acquainted with as many members as possible. Interconnection is important in many aspects. It is the interconnection of

the board and board members. The interconnection of the board with its members and committees as well as the interconnection between committees and members.

Moreover, as the association is located in two cities, and specialisations of the study of Political Science are both in Leiden and The Hague, which can be an obstacle, the XXXIXth board strives to interconnect the members from the two cities. They want to do this by finding the balance between activities in both cities, keeping an eye on the needs and wants of students in both cities. Furthermore, as many as possible provisions will be installed to enable students from the city where the event is not being held, to be able to attend the activity in the city where it is. This can be in the form of compensation from the SPIL for travel costs, or discount options when travelling together, or arranging busses to the event.

Due to the committee restructuring of the XXXVIIth board, the committees have gained more autonomy. This has been a big step for the SPIL, as this gives more members the opportunity to develop within committees and become active members of the SPIL. as there are more and different functions (chair, secretary, treasurer, general member). For the XXXIXth board it is of importance to retain a strong connection between the committees themselves and between the committees and their respective commissioners. Therefore, committees will be urged to organize committee outings to strengthen the bonds within the committee and with the committee and its commissioner. Additionally, the XXXIXth board has organized a borrel for all the chairs of the committees, in order for them to meet in an informal setting and to get more familiar with the board. Lastly, the secretaries of the committees are in contact with the secretary of the promotions committee to enable the promotions committee to promote all the activities that the committees have organized. This communication is therefore very important and the XXXIXth board will oversee the communication between the secretaries of the committees.

With the goal of interconnectivity in mind, the XXXIXth board strives to have the common rooms in both Leiden and The Hague opened from 10:00-17:00 from Monday to Friday. The common room represents an aspect of accessibility that the XXXIXth board strives to achieve. The board will look into the development of attendance to the common rooms during the first semester. Subsequently, they will evaluate whether the opening hours of the common rooms will have to be adjusted to cater to the needs of the members differently.

3. PRESIDENT

3.1 President

"Make the most of yourself by fanning the tiny, inner sparks of possibility into flames of achievement" - Golda Meir

3.1.1 Internal Affairs

The president will lead the board and will support fellow board members with the execution of their policies. The president is responsible for establishing open communication within the board and creating a safe work environment, in which every board member feels free to share anything with their fellow board members. Additionally, the president will strive for personal and professional development of the individual board members and the board as a whole by searching for a 'board training' and by stimulating feedback sessions and building on constructive advice.

The president will hold evaluation interviews with all board members, in order to discuss their study progress, personal issues and their personal development. In these interviews the committees and their progress will also be discussed so that the president will stay informed on the progress made by committee members and whether the policy set out by the commissioner is complied with.

A session will also be planned with at least the 38th board of the SPIL, and possibly other former boards of the SPIL, after the first semester, preferably in February. In this session the new structure of the committees will be evaluated. This will be done in an effort to optimize the structure reform and to form concrete action points as to how to improve and optimize the structure. An aspect of this can be a revisited process of collaboration or a newly formulated collaboration plan for the chairs of the committees and their respective commissioners. For example, currently it is said that the commissioner attends the meetings of the committee in order to provide an insight and answers regarding the policy they have set out. As we see that it fluctuates per chair how smoothly this connection is, the president will investigate whether it is possible and beneficial to mainstream this process and set up clearer guidelines.

3.1.2 External representation

The president shall represent the association in different other associations and consultation platforms. The president represents the association by taking a seat in the board of the Platform for Political Scientists (PvP) as secretary. Additionally, the president will take part in the Association Deliberation (Verenigingen Overleg - VerO's) from the Faculty of Social Sciences and the Faculty of Governance and Global Affairs. Moreover, the president will attend the General Meetings of the Study association Deliberation Platform (Studieverenigingen Overleg Platform - StOP) to represent the SPIL and by attending the meetings of the Big Association Deliberation (Grote Verenigingen Overleg - GroVer).

The president deems this variety of external representation very important as it enables the association to learn from others and build on others' experience. Therefore, she will use such meetings as optimally as possible.

3.1.3 Platform for Political Scientists

Within the platform (PvP) four associations come together, namely EOS (Free University), Ismus (Radboud University), Machiavelli (University of Amsterdam) and the SPIL. The PiP committee, which will organize the PiP congress (Politcal science in Perspective) falls under the platform. This committee will organize the congress to bring political scientists together from different cities across The Netherlands. The platform will also organize a second event to connect students with each other, preferably this second event will be before the congress.

The president will follow the progress of the committee closely and therefore stay up to date on the progress of the congress. The president will take seat within the platform as secretary and will participate actively to contribute to the platform.

3.1.4 Other activities

The president will commit to further member bonding, taking into account the associationwide goals of harmony, evolution and interconnection. The president will do this by encouraging the members to come to activities and to the common rooms, and will be open to conversation when approached by members.

Furthermore, the president will keep an open line of communication with the hall-way associations and sister associations and will stay in close contact with CIROS.

As the association relies on the effort and dedication from active committee members, the board deems it important to thank all the committee members. Therefore, the president will organize the 'committee thank you-day' (previously called the active members day). The board chose to change the name of this day to avoid confusion among the active members who are not committee members.

As previous years, again the SPIL will help during the Bachelor and Master ceremony and will provide the Bachelor thesis prize. The president will oversee these days and coordinate the board members and committee members that will lend their helping hand.

3.1.5 CIROS

As of May 2019, CIROS is formally a student organization. Due to this the divide between the SPIL and CIROS is clearer and the confusion of some students has lessened. As the SPIL focuses mainly on study-related events and has only two informal committees, while the CIROS committees mainly organize informal events with one committee ('Academic') as exception.

The president has had good and constructive contact with the president of CIROS, resulting in an open line of communication, proposals for collaborations and a successful collaboration, namely the Dutch Night. The president will strive to keep this line of communication open and will work to minimize overlap between activities organized by CIROS and the SPIL. This has been done and will be done by communicating the dates of our events to the counterpart in CIROS and working towards a positive outcome for both parties. The weeks in which each association organises Borrels have been discussed and coordinated in order to avoid their overlap.

The relation between CIROS and the SPIL is experienced as friendly as the current board of CIROS is very open to the SPIL and eager to work together. The president foresees a fruitful and pleasant year.

4. SECRETARY

4.1 Secretary

"It's easy to make a buck. It's a lot tougher to make a difference." - Tom Brokaw

4.1.1 Member account

The goal is to stay up to date with the amount of members as accurately as possible. To achieve this, multiple backups will be made throughout the year and will be under constant observation to assure new members are registered in the system as soon as possible. Keeping the members privacy in mind, the secretary will give extra care to securing details of

members, meaning she will be the only person with access to PCLeden. Currently the SPIL counts a total of ... members, of which ... study IRO including ... international students. Members studying Dutch bachelor programs are made up of ... International Politics students, Political Science students and ... Internationale Betrekkingen and Organisaties students.

4.1.2 Newsletter

As the association is made up of English and Dutch students, the newsletter will be written in two languages. The general texts will follow the principle of "*Dutch follows English*" to assure the understanding of all members and the calendar will only be provided in English. To ensure member's privacy, a new program has been introduced to send out the newsletter, as the previous system Mailchimp was not able to take privacy into account seriously. The new and free program Laposta is significantly more user friendly and more promising in containing privacy. Every first Monday of the month the newsletter will be sent to members.

4.1.3 Reunionists

As the reunionists are part of the secretary's responsibility as well, she will ensure that three times a year the reunion-newsletter will be sent out. Furthermore, they will also receive the DEBAT magazine four times a year.

4.1.4 Alumni

Alumni are a very important part of the association, as they are able to provide members with advice and guidance. For this reason, the goal is to keep good contact with Alumni to continue a proper relationship. In combination with the Commissioner of Education and Politics this work will be achieved through events, such as the 444 event on the 22nd of November and network evenings. With this, current SPIL members can get connected to Alumni and can use their experience to be guided through the many possible options after their study.

4.1.5 Leidse Alumnivereniging van Poloticologen

The LAP is currently designing a system including around five hundred email addresses of alumni. In this way, events and activities can be communicated to alumni, if they are interesting for them. While writing the policy, the secretary is looking, together with the LAP, at the possibility to form a committee consisting of alumni, ideally so they can organize alumni events including network evenings for members. The budget for this committee is provided by LAP and given to the SPIL. The secretary is currently discussing with LAP how this process should be carried out.

4.1.6 WHALV

The advice given by the "Werkgroep Hervorming Algemene Ledenvergadering" (WHALV) regarding the quorum at the general member meetings will continue to be taken into account by the board. Like this, when planning the general assembly, lectures of first years will be taken into account. Furthermore, food and drink will be provided during the assemblies to make the event more attractive to members. The XXXIXth board is going to hand out a cup to the committee with the most attendance in percentages at the General Assemblies, which will be given at the Change of Boards GA at the end of the year. The XXXIXth board hopes that the cup will present extra motivation to come to GA's, which will increase the attendance.

Along with this, the commissioner of Education and Politics is planning on organizing a workshop about the general assemblies to show members what rights they have during these meetings.

4.1.7 General Assemblies

At the moment the bachelor in The Hague International Relations and Organisations is part of the SPIL for the third year. Last year the secretary of the XXXVIIth board, began with the addition of information meetings, which were successful. During these information meetings, the content of the GA is available, so students can give their opinions about it. With this in mind, the secretary wants to continue these sessions to give international students the opportunity to present their ideas. During the general assembly the most important outcomes of the information meetings will then be summarized. Furthermore, at the beginning of every assembly it will be asked if anyone is opposed to having the General Assembly in English. If Dutch questions were to be asked these will be answered in Dutch, however, will then be summarized in English after. The booklets for the assembly will be provided in English and Dutch so that all students are able to understand.

The minutes will be written in the language that they were expressed in during the assembly, meaning the Dutch questions and answers will be noted down in Dutch and the English questions and answers will be noted down in English.

4.1.8 Old boards borrel

This year as well, the goal is to organize an old boards borrel, to thank all old board members for their efforts for the SPIL. The secretary hopes to welcome as many old board members as possible, meaning she will take the day of the borrel and busy schedules into account. For this reason, the borrel will take place on a Friday or Saturday.

5. Treasurer & commissioner introduction

5.1 Treasurer

"When I was young I thought money was the most important thing in life; now that I am old I know it is" - Oscar Wilde

5.1.1 Budget

With the restructuring of committees the budget and the items in the budget changed this year. The names given to the individual items have been decided by the treasurer together with her predecessor. This way, the treasurer strives to keep the budget as structures as possible and with the many committees added to keep it well-arranged. The XXXIXthboard is pleased to have received a gift of $510 \notin$ from the 38^{th} board. This money shall in parts be spent to clean up the website and to make it more user-friendly. Another part shall be spent to solve the problems with PCleden which most likely will require some money. Additionally, the XXXIXthboard would like to purchase SPIL-shirts, in order for the SPIL to be clearly recognizable during events such as the IRO orientation day.

Studystore is one of the biggest sources of income for the SPIL. The treasurer expects a decrease of this income. Even though there are three years of IRO this year, the income of the book sale was significantly lower than in the year before that. More details about the book sale are discussed in the policy of the Commissioner of Education & Politics. The treasurer

plans to closely work together with the Commissioner of Education & Politics and study store to improve the book sale in upcoming blocks.

5.1.2 Membership fee

In cooperation with the secretary, the treasurer has decided to have the collection of the contribution at the end of November as in previous years. This month is considered to be the best option for members and the board, as most activities still have to be organised. Additionally, not all members were automatically added to the register of members, due to a mistake on the website. Collecting the member fee in November gives the secretary enough time to enter all new members into the register. Because students get their student loans at the end of the month, the end of the month is considered the most suitable time for member fee collection. For international students who do not have a Dutch bank account, the treasurer will ask to transfer the money to the SPIL account. If students do not do that after some time, the treasurer will offer to also pay the fee in cash.

5.1.3 Audit committee

The Audit committee is the controlling body of the treasurer. This year Laila Bennami and Anouk van Vliet will full fill this important function. At least two times a year, the audit committee writes a report about the treasurer's work, which it presents to the general assembly. The treasurer considers the audit committee as highly valuable for the financial integrity of the association and will see it not only as a controlling body but also as an advisory organ. The treasurer considers it of utmost importance to keep in good contact with the audit committee and to be as transparent as possible for the fulfilment of her tasks.

5.2 Commissioner Introduction

"Working with new people can be really hard and nerve-wracking. When you don't know the person, it's like being on a blind date." - Julia Michaels

5.2.1 General

Through the committee restructuring the Introduction committee emerged. The study programme political science with all its specializations, requires a lot of self study and only very little contact hours. As a consequence, students only see each other in the lecture hall. The commissioner strives to give first year students in Leiden and The Hague the opportunity to better get to know each other and to also mingle students of the different specializations. The commissioner aims to strengthen the bond between first year students and to organise activities particularly targeted at new students. The commissioner additionally hopes that this bonding will lead to first year students also coming to other SPIL activities and to therewith bind them to the association. Furthermore, the commissioner will take the responsibility to oversee the organisation of a wonderful Freshmen Weekend as it has happened in previous years.

5.2.2 Activities

The commissioner aims to organise ten activities together with her committee, of which one will be the Freshmen Weekend. Another will be the Freshmen Day, which is a day that is comparable to the Freshmen Weekend, but then only for one day. This day shall be organised for students who were unable to attend the Freshmen Weekend, but would have liked to.

Which kind of activities this day will include, shall be determined by the committee. Furthermore, the commissioner beliefs that it is of importance to have a balance between social and educational activities, which she also communicated to the chair of the committee. The activities shall be organised in English except if it is an activity that is really only interesting for a Dutch speaking audience.

5.2.3 Freshmen Weekend

After the success of the freshmen Weekend in recent years, the committee strives to continue this tradition this year. This year again, the committee will take care of that first year students get to know each other and that new friendships develop. As the commissioner has been the chair of the Freshmen Weekend Committee last year, she will share her experience with the committee. All positive as well as points of improvements shall be taken into account for the organisation of the weekend this year. Last year the amount of international students that joined increased in comparison to previous years. The committee strives to continue this positive increase. During the weekend the working language was English and Dutch participants were encouraged to speak English, to give international students the opportunity to participate in conversations. For this point, improvement is necessary and possible.

This year the Freshmen Weekend was called EJW in Dutch and Freshmen Weekend in English. These names will be kept this year. The Freshmen Weekend is always being organised in the second week of August. Many international students are not yet in the Netherlands at that point and many Dutch students are still on vacation. The commissioner think that an enlarged audience can be reached if the weekend would be moved to September. Therefore, the commissioner will be in touch with the concerned parties, to see whether it is possible to change the date. If it is possible, she will consider together with the XXXIXthboard whether a change of date would indeed be favourable.

5.2.4 SPIL Common room in Leiden

This year a part of the committee shall be responsible for the promotion of the SPIL common room in Leiden. A part of the promotion committee will be responsible for the SPIL common room in The Hague. The amount of students coming to the common room is relatively low and the commissioner hopes that it can be promoted as a place where students can sit to get some coffee or tea and find company to talk over eating a cookie. The responsible committee members can decide themselves how they want to promote the common room, while the commissioner will always stay up to date with their ideas and plans.

5.2.5. Committee

The Introduction committee consists of six people of which three study Internationale Politiek and three International Relations and Organisations (IRO). Of the three IRO students two are internationals. Five of the six are first year students. The commissioner chose this composition, as first year students best know what kind of activities their fellow students need. The commissioner recommended to the chair of the committee to organise regular social activities for the committee, in order for the committee members to get to know each other better also outside of the serious committee work.

6.1 Education

6.1.1 Education Committee

The Education Committee consists of seven members of which four are internationals, including the chair of the committee. The commissioner wants to continue the success of the Lecture Boat event and organise it again. Furthermore, the education committee strives to organise a workshop to show members their rights and participation opportunities during General Assemblies. The workshop will be organised right before the policy general assembly. This should make barriers to attend low and give students the opportunity to immediately apply the learned participation opportunities. By this the commissioner hopes that members learn how to participate in the association and attendance at general assemblies might increase. Furthermore, the members of the education committee will learn where they can find information about the association and will in cooperation with the secretary discover the rights given to members during general assemblies. The committee will again organise career events where members can explore different opportunities for future jobs and can improve their networking abilities. The committee will also strive to organise workshops where members can improve skills with which they still feel uncomfortable or which they want to improve. As in previous years the committee will compile evaluation questionnaires, for students to express their opinion on the education they experience. The results of these evaluations will then be communicated to the institute and will be also used for the commissioners work in the programme committee.

6.1.2 Book sale

The commissioner of Education and Politics aims to dedicate much time and effort to the book sale. She realises that the book sale is on the one hand of great importance to members who can easily order their books with discount as well as to the association itself who relies on the income of the book sale in order to organise all the intriguing, joyful and educative events for its members. In the first block books have been sold. Up until now have been sold in the second block. The income of the book sale in the first block is significantly lower than that of last year. The commissioner is aware that with less first-year students starting this year, the book sale will necessarily decrease, however, she wants to work hard to counter this development in parts, by improving the promotion. This shall be done by more visibility of the book sale on social media channels in cooperation with the commissioner of External Relations. Furthermore, the commissioner wants to increase the awareness among students for the book sale by lecture shout outs. These lecture shout outs will be done by members of the Education Committee. The committee is chosen to do this tasks, as members are chosen to advertise it in their own years. By this, the commissioner hopes to create a peer-to-peer communication, which hopefully helps to increase the success of the book sale. More emphasis shall also be put on the second-hand book sale, targeting both students to sell their books as well students that have the opportunity to buy cheap second-hand books. This shall also be done by increased and directly targeted promotion. Furthermore, the commissioner of Education and Politics strives for a good relation with study store and to work on a good communication with members about the book sale. Furthermore, she aims to set up a book sale for master students as has been tried to start by her predecessor the commissioner of Education in the 38th board. In order to do so, she will also rely on the experience of her master committee, to make the book sale as successful as possible among master students. As the courses in the master programme are semester long courses, the commissioner decided that it would not be useful to set up a master book sale in the second block. However, she will set it up in the second semester of the academic year. The book sale will then be mainly targeted at the master students who start their master in February. In order to make it successful this time, the Commissioner plans to get in contact with the teachers of the courses in time and to maintain a good communication with on the one hand the teachers and study store on the other to counter problems as soon as they arise.

6.1.3 Programme Committee

The Commissioner of Education & Politics has, as her predecessors have done as well, applied for a position in the programme committee (OLC). She has carried out an election campaign with the help and reach of the SPIL social media channels and has won the election. Through this position she wants to stay updated with the needs and issues of students and wants to represent all political science students. This year she wants to put her focus particularly on the divide between Leiden and The Hague and wants to work to try to close the gap.

6.2 Politics

6.2.1 Formal Activities

The Committee Formal Activities consists of 5 members of which, including the committee chair, three are internationals. One of the aims the commissioner set up together with the committee is to try to attract a famous speaker for a lecture. For this purpose the committee is sending out emails to national as well as internationally relevant politicians and political figures and to invite them for a lecture. However, the commissioner considers it as a good practice for the committee and believes that it is at least worth trying. The efforts are considered by the commissioner as a challenge for herself as well as for the committee and if successful, such an event could be good promotion for the SPIL. In total, the Commissioner of Education and Politics aims to organise eight formal activities, of which one will be the Leidsch Debat organised in collaboration with other associations through StOP. Furthermore, there is currently also discussion with the B.I.L. and university, to organise an event together.

6.2.2 External Activities

The Committee of External Activities consists of 5 members of which two are internationals and two are second years. The commissioner of Education and Politics aims to again organise activities that have been a success in previous years, namely: a visit to the ICC, the ministry of foreign affairs, an Embassy Hop as well as an excursion to the first and or second chamber. The commissioner is also planning to organise an activity together with HSVL, the study association of History. For this purpose she has asked two members of the committee to sit together with herself, in a committee with three members from HSVL in order to plan and organise this activity. The activity will be pub lectures in different pubs in Leiden. The activity will most likely take place in february. The Commissioner thinks that this activity has a lot of added value for SPIL members. On the one hand members can enjoy several interdisciplinary lectures in different pubs in Leiden and on the other, they can get to know students from a different study. While the activity will take place in Leiden, the plan is to also have several lectures in English to give international members the opportunity to also join and to also be able to invite non-Dutch speaking lecturers.

6.2.3 Master Committee

This year the SPIL has formed a Master Committee for the first time, aiming to involve master students in the association and to organise events especially targeted at the needs and interests of master students. The committee consists of four members of which two are internationals. The involvement of master students poses a new challenge as there are many international master students who study in Leiden. The previous division of having events in Leiden mainly targeted at a Dutch language group needs to be reconsidered. In contrast to the bachelor programme the master programme only takes one year. This makes it more difficult to bind students to the association. For this reason the commissioner is planning to carefully consider the target audience of each activity and to then decide on language, location as well as graduate level. For master students there shall be events specifically targeted at them that will be organised by the committee. The events will have overlap with activities organised by other committees especially by the other three overseen by the commissioner. While master students are of course welcome at all activities and events organised by the association, the master committee shall organise activities specifically tailored to the needs and interests of this group of students. Examples of such events could be network or career events or activities that prepare students for writing their thesis. The committee will also work on evaluation forms for the master programme. The education committee will be in charge of the ones for bachelor students while the master committee will take care of the ones for the master programmes. The commissioner decided to give this task to the Master committee, as there are no master students in the Education Committee and the commissioner considers it crucial that students who create these forms for their peers have at least an overview of the different courses and specializations of the Master programme. The committee might also organise social events, if this is something they think master students would like. Experience with a first master borrel has however shown that master students seem to not need such an event as the participation was extremely low. Furthermore, the commissioner is planning to work together with the study association for public administration students B.I.L. on Master student activities. This cooperation brings different advantages. Firstly, B.I.L. has worked with master students already in previous years and therefore has experience we can profit from. Secondly, by combining forces the target group is enlarged which might increase the number of participants during activities. Lastly, our students can profit from an interdisciplinary exchange with master students of Public Administration which can also help to increase their network. The commissioner plans to mainly work together with the B.I.L. for a career and network related activity.

7. COMMISSIONER GLOBAL RELATIONS & FESTIVE ACTIVITIES

7.1 Commissioner Global relations

"Only those who risk going too far can possibly find out how far they can go" – Thomas Stearns Eliot

The task of the commissioner of Global Relations is to bear the responsibility over the organisation of the trips organized by the Brussels committee, the Short Trip committee, the Long Trip committee and the Congress committee. While determining the nature of the program with the committees, the commissioner will do his best to keep in mind the association-wide objectives of the XXXIXth board.

A big difference compared to past years will be the existence of both a commissioner and a chair in every committee, where these two positions were one before the committee structure reform of the XXXVIIIth board. The commissioner will still be responsible for the end result

- and therefore will stay closely involved with the committee's activities - while the chair will be responsible for the process of reaching this end result. Therefore, the chair will initially be in charge of planning the meetings, chairing the meetings, setting deadlines and checking deadlines. The exact relation between commissioner and chair (and committee) can be different for every committee. After every trip that will be organised, the commissioner and chair will have an evaluation meeting, in which will be talked about how the exact relation between them was like and how this was experienced, so this can be taken into account for the other trips.

Like every year there will be a consequent and clear dress code for every trip. This dress code will be set and published on the website at the start of the year, so every trip participant can get prepared well in time. The commissioner of Global Relations will watch on the compliance of the dress code and will act as consequent as possible, whereby the same dress code is set up for everyone and the same rules apply for everyone. Also, there will be some extra attention for why we have a dress code and why this is important.

The commissioner of Global Relations believes that the atmosphere within the committee is very important in working as a committee and thus feels like the social part of being a committee member is very important. Therefore the commissioner will encourage the chairs to come to borrels with their committees, have dinner together or organise fun committee trips in order to really become close group and hopefully this will have a positive effect on the activities organised by the committee.

7.1.1 Brussels committee

The task of the Brussels committee is organising the Brussels trip. This committee consists of four members (among which a chair, secretary, treasurer and one general member). The committee has been formed at the start of June, so there is enough time to organise the trip. This year the Brussels trip will take place from Monday the 25th of November to Tuesday the 26th of November, so we can use a lecture-free day. The number of participants will be 49 again in combination with travelling by touring car, after this has been experienced really positive last year. The sign up started Tuesday the 8th of October, in which participants could sign up without any further actions; they were placed in order of signing up. The price of the trip is \in 55,- per person. This year for signing up for the Brussels trip, participants have to agree to certain terms and conditions, comparable to the participant contract that exists for the Short Trip and the Long Trip. There will be a deadline added for cancelling, so we can prevent having to look for replacing participants, what was a bad experience last year.

7.1.2 Short Trip committee

The task of the Short Trip committee is organising the Short Trip, and will this year organise a trip to Budapest. This committee consists of seven members (among which a chair, secretary, treasurer and four general members) and has been formed in September. The trip will last for six days and take place from Tuesday evening on the 28th of January to Sunday the 2nd of February. This has been decided because the retakes are until Tuesday the 28th of January and the start of the 3rd block on Monday the 3rd of February. When deciding about the destination, the following criteria were taken into consideration:

Political relevance; Budapest as the capital of Hungary is really relevant in terms of the current EU debates and challenges. The rule of law threatens to be undermined under the

authority of Orbán, who keeps implementing proposals that put democracy under increasing pressure.

- <u>Political scientific relevance</u>; It will be really interesting to experience how an EU member state acts against norms set out by the EU and how both parties deal with that. Moreover, laws are being implemented that go against the right for academic freedom; the reason why the Central European University is moving to Vienna.
- <u>Cultural Relevance</u>; Budapest has an interesting communist history. Also, there is a diversity of theatres, operas, museums, beautiful bathhouses, traditional coffeehouses and a lively nightlife.
- <u>Financial feasibility</u>; It is financially feasible to organise a trip to Budapest. Thereby, the living expenses in Budapest are relatively low.
- <u>Safety</u>; Despite the disputes with the EU, the commissioner believes that the safety of participants can be assured. For Hungary, the safety advice from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs is green.

The amount of participants will be 40 and the selection procedure will be the same as it has been for the past years. Interested SPIL'ers can hand in their letter from Wednesday the 30th of October until Friday the 1st of November. The letter will be marked anonymously by the commissioner of Global Relations, a former board member and an employee of the Institute of Political Science of Leiden University. The price of the trip will be €200,- per person maximum, as usual.

7.1.3 Long Trip committee

The task of the Long Trip committee is organizing the Long Trip which this year will take place between Thursday the 25th of June and Thursday the 16th of July. The exact dates will depend on financial benefits and will be announced later. This committee will consist of seven members (among which a chair, secretary, treasurer and four general members) and will be formed in November. When deciding about the destination, the following criteria will be taken into consideration:

Political relevance;

Political scientific relevance;

Cultural relevance;

Financial feasibility;

Safety.

This year 35 SPIL'ers will take part in the Long Trip. Because there is less money available, there has not been found a possibility to take more SPIL'ers on the Long Trip than last year. Financially, taking for example five more participants would have less added value than spending this money on things more members can benefit from. On the other hand, the XXXIXth board does not want to lower the amount of participants, whereby less SPIL'ers would have the chance to take part in the Long Trip. Having 35 participants seems to be a good middelroad.

The price of the trip will be \in 700,- per person maximum, as usual. Furthermore, the commissioner will request a CASSA subsidy at LUF.

The selection procedure will be the same as for the Short Trip; interested SPIL'ers can hand in their letter from Wednesday the 30th of October to Friday the 1st of November. The letter will be marked anonymously by the commissioner of Global Relations, a former board member and an employee of the Institute of Political Science of Leiden University.

7.1.4 Congress committees

The Congress committee consists of five members (among which a chair, secretary, treasurer and two general members) and has been formed in September. The task of this committee is organising a trip to a relevant congress, where an IAPSS congress always has been the standard. This year, the commissioner of Global Relations has decided that besides organising the trip the Congress committee will also be working on finding out what the best option is for visiting a congress. An IAPSS congress will still be part of the possibilities, but alternatives will be considered as well. A set amount has been reserved in the budget for the trip. Also, the commissioner will keep in contact with Machiavelli - who will not visit an IAPSS congress this year and are looking for alternatives themselves - to keep each other updated and to inform each other if possible. When there is more information available about IAPSS and possible alternatives, a decision will be made based on if benefits on quality and relevance will be higher when visiting another congress.

This year there will be some extra attention to the promotion of the trip to try to get as many SPIL'ers to join as possible. The newsletter and social media will be used to reach as many SPIL'ers as possible.

Possibly - depending on the costs of the trip - one or two days will be added besides the congress program so the committee has the possibility to organise their own activities, making the trip even more interesting, fun and attractive.

7.1.4.1 IAPSS

The International Association for Political Science Students (IAPSS) is an international organisation which is committed to political science students. Besides SPIL study associations from all around the world are part of this organisation.

Due to the restructuring of IAPSS, SPIL will now fall under IAPSS Europe. There seem to be no direct changes or consequences for SPIL regarding IAPSS or the IAPSS World Congress.

Because it is financially not possible and there is an overlap with the Brussels trip, the IAPSS Regional Convention 'Paths towards Climate Justice' - organised in Stockholm from the 22nd of November to the 25th of November - will not be an option for visiting for SPIL. The IAPSS World Congress that will be organised from Tuesday the 21st of April to Friday the 24th of April is planned in a way that it will be possible for SPIL to visit. Also, the commissioner of Global Relations is in contact with IAPSS about possible discounts or subsidies if SPIL would decide to visit the IAPSS World Congress.

The presence of a SPIL'er that has been part of the IAPSS board for 1.5 years will contribute to keeping contact with IAPSS, what in the past sometimes has been experienced as challenging.

The commissioner will - together with his committee - be in touch with IAPSS from the start of the year, to keep informed about all information that might be relevant. Also, with the

restructuring it is not known yet if the IAPSS General Assembly will take place during the IAPSS World Congress. If this GA will take place during the IAPSS World Congress and SPIL will decide to visit, SPIL will be present during the GA.

7.2 Commissioner Festive Activities

"Heb geen zorgen, zorg maar dat je geniet" – ...

The task of the commissioner of Global Relations is to bear the responsibility over the organisation of the borrels, parties and the SPIL-gala. The commissioner will still be responsible for the end result - and therefore will keep closely involved with the committee's activities - while the chair will be responsible for the process of reaching this end result. Hereby the chair will initially be in charge of planning the meetings, chairing the meetings, setting deadlines and checking deadlines. After every study block the commissioner and chair will have an evaluation meeting, in which will be talked about how the exact relation between them was like and how this was experienced, so this can be taken into account for the further course of the year.

Like past years, there will be a monthly SPIL-borrel organised at Stadsbar Storm in Leiden, in theory on every first Thursday of the month. Once more, it will be possible to bring and prepare our own snacks. Besides this monthly borrel in Leiden, this year for the first time there will be a monthly SPIL-borrel organised in The Hague as well. In theory, this borrel take place every third Thursday of the month at Brody's Taphouse. This way there is the possibility for the growing number of SPIL-members living in 'de mooie stad achter de duinen' (= 'the pretty city behind the dunes'; The Hague) to borrel (= to have drinks and a good time) with SPIL. In cooperation with CIROS the SPIL-borrels and CIROS-borrels will alternate with each other - with SPIL on the first and third Thursday of the month and CIROS on the second and fourth Thursday of the month - so there will be the least amount of unwanted overlap as possible. Also, in this way the gap between the different SPIL-borrels will be as large as possible. Ofcourse, there can be deviated from this principle in the case of for example overlap with exams/retakes or other planned SPIL activities. Because there has never been a monthly SPIL-borrel organised in The Hague, the commissioner of Festive Activities will keep a close eye on how this borrel develops, and if it is worth it to keep doing it in this way.

The committee will get more freedom in organising the borrels; the committee will decide - in consultation with the commissioner - how to spend the budget. For example, the committee can use this budget for negotiating about deals for drink, buying decorations, snacks, and such things. This can come in handy when organising themed borrels; these will be coming back as well. In both Leiden and The Hague themes will be linked to the monthly borrels to make them even more fun and attractive. However, mostly in The Hague, the essence of being a monthly returning borrel will keep being emphasized to a certain extent, so the borrels will be something members count on every month.

The aim is that the chair of the committee will keep in contact with the owners of our pubs about the details of every borrel, but because we just started with the monthly borrel at Brody's Taphouse in The Hague, here the commissioner will keep in contact with the owner at the beginning. The commissioner of Festive Activities believes that the atmosphere within the committee is very important in working as a committee and feels like the social part of being a committee member is very important. Therefore the commissioner will encourage the chair to have dinner together before borrels or parties and to organise fun committee trips.

7.2.1 Committee

The task of the Festive Activities committee is organising the SPIL-borrels, the parties and the SPIL-gala. This committee consists of seven members (among which a chair, secretary, treasurer and four general members) and has been formed in September. The committee will organise a monthly SPIL-borrel in Leiden as well as in The Hague. The commissioner and committee will aim at making these borrels as fun and attractive as possible.

Also, this year there will be organised a variety of parties, where there will be looked for a right balance between Leiden and The Hague (with attention to the desires and wishes of the members, for example by using polls on social media). Organising parties on suitable dates will weigh heavier than reaching a set quotum for the amount of organised parties. Moreover, the commissioner and his committee will try to work together with other associations or organisations when organising parties or facilitating access to parties, to create as many opportunities as possible for SPIL-members to party, both in Leiden and in The Hague. The exact balance between Leiden and The Hague will depend on possible collaborations and the wishes of our members, but we will aim to find a balance in facilitating festive activities in both Leiden and The Hague.

Because the big and festive opening of the monthly SPIL-borrel in The Hague on Thursday the 26th of September, the first party organised by SPIL will be the party during Political Science Inside that will take place in the last week of November. This also gives opportunity to the committee to be more involved in the organisation of the first party. Additionally, there is contact with the B.I.L. to organise the traditional SPILxBIL-party again this year, and SPIL will also be part of organising the FSW-party (hallway associations party). Also, this year SPIL will be proudly part of organising the Interfaculty Party. And as icing on the cake, naturally the legendary SPIL-gala will make its return this year.

8. COMMISSIONER INTERNAL RELATIONS

8.1 Commissioner DEBAT

"Mankind's greatest achievements, have come about by talking (...) all we need to do, is make sure we keep talking" – Prof. Dr. Stephen Hawking

The committee DEBAT gives Political Science, IBO, IP and IRO students the chance to not only develop their journalistic and academic writing skills, but also to inform their fellow students about political (scientific) developments and their opinions about them. As is customary, the goal will be to deliver the members four paper issues in November, February, April and June. Furthermore, this year the committee will aim to publish at least one web-only article each week on the new website, DEBAT Online.

8.1.1 Main goal

It is up to the committee DEBAT to publish semi-scientific articles for an audience of as many association members as possible, but also beyond that. These articles should deal with a large variety of topics and cover a scale of points of view to keep up the established image of the magazine as good as possible. When doing so, the commissioner encourages all writers to base their articles on both academic and non-academic sources, to best express the semiscientific of the magazine. Reading DEBAT articles should give readers the possibility to get informed about politics or relevant political and scientific subjects, think about them and form their own opinion about these topics.

8.1.2 Committee

In contrast to previous years, the committee DEBAT will not be directly led by the commissioner this year, but there has been a chair appointed to lead the committee. Next to that, there is a secretary, responsible for communication, promotion and heading the online editors, and a vice-chair that can take over the duties of the chair if necessary. In addition, the vice-chair is second-in-command, and more involved in decision-making within the committee than other editorial board members. All three of them are part of the usual editorial board, this year with a total of seven members. Then there is an online editorial board, consisting of seven writers of online articles, in a committee that has a total of 25 members. The extended online editorial board is a consequence of the increasing focus on online articles and is necessary to keep the website of DEBAT Online relevant to such an extent that the desired growth in popularity can be achieved.

Continuing the intention of last year, this year the aim will again be to have all articles appearing in the printed magazine available on the website in both Dutch and English. Since all web-only articles will be online in both languages, a lot of time and energy will have to be invested in translation. To accommodate that, there will be at least six people working on this.

Just like last year, each writer in the committee is appointed to a member of the editorial board. It is up to the editorial board to provide feedback to all articles of the writers assigned to them, and to make sure that both use of language and content meet all standards when the magazine is being printed.

This year it will be the task of the chair to make the committee function in the way she believes to be best for achieving the results the commissioner aims for. Still, the commissioner wants the entire committee to hold a meeting before starting on a printed issue in the form of a brainstorm session, during which the content of that specific issue is being determined. This way every committee member can have a say in how the magazine will be filled. This should also contribute to a closer relationship between all members of the committee.

In addition to the usual duties of the committee, the commissioner would like to see more of a social sense of belonging to a group within the committee. Given the size of the committee DEBAT this is always a challenge, but together with the chair, amongst others, the commissioner will seek to organise a committee activity, earlier in the year. Furthermore, the committee would like to see the visit to the headquarters of the newspaper NRC happen, and to organise a workshop about how one writes the kind of articles that are featured in DEBAT.

8.1.3 Content and design

Although the process of creating each printed issue will be up to the chair to work out, the commissioner does want all articles in the magazine to be politically (scientifically) relevant and to have a large diversity of topics and viewpoints dealt with and represented. Also, the chair should seek to keep a good balance between different types of articles such as interviews, opinion pieces, background articles and reviews. In addition, the commissioner wants the columns that appear in each issue, *highlighted person*, *political science worldwide* and *retrospect*, to remain, just as the section in which a specific theme is dealt with in a couple of articles. Concerning language the commissioner wants the balance of last year to be retained, meaning roughly 70% English and 30% Dutch, as that has been experienced as successful and pleasant by the committee and the readers. Within these guidelines, it will be up to the committee to provide content for the magazine that is as diverse and interesting as possible.

Because of the changes of last year regarding the visual editing and lay-out, the commissioner wants to continue in the chosen direction. Whenever a significant overhaul as last year's is implemented, it is in the interest of professionalism, reputation and how the readers experience and enjoy the magazine that such a direction is maintained and further developed for some time. Also with regards to language requirements and guidelines, the same standards as last year will be upheld, which for Dutch articles means that general Dutch rules apply and in English the British requirements will be maintained.

8.1.4 DEBAT online

Aiming for as much exposure of the association and its semi-scientific magazine, with both students and university personnel as well as outside the university, most opportunities for growth for DEBAT lie within the internet. After creating a separate website for DEBAT Online last year, now the committee can start working hard to improve the exposure of DEBAT by publishing at least one article each week. Since more and more people prefer to read news online and as it is easier for them to read something on their mobile phone when they have nothing to do for a couple of minutes than in a paper magazine, it is likely that the online articles will draw many readers. By promoting articles - mainly through the Facebook page of DEBAT itself - that come online, the commissioner hopes many students will read an article online 'in between things' when they have nothing to do. The usage of the social media of DEBAT will be one of the responsibilities of the secretary.

On top of the articles written by the subcommittee DEBAT Online, the commissioner wants the website to be open for guest contributors. It is always possible for general committee members that in principle write for the printed issues to write articles specifically for the website - all printed articles will already appear online anyway - but if writers who are not in the committee have good articles, they can be published as well, with the consent of the chair and commissioner. This is to offer as much diverse articles as possible to the readers. Obviously, the more options there are and the more is being offered, the more people will take the time and effort to use the website.

8.2 Commissioner Yearbook

"I always have a quotation for everything - it saves original thinking" - Dorothy L. Sayers

8.2.1 General

Just like in previous years, the timely publication of a good-looking and fun yearbook will pose a challenge, but it needs no explanation that this will again be what the committee aims for. Although the yearbook is something that will make many members be able to go through, to read, and to relive memories later on, the commissioner feels like the yearbook is being underappreciated, definitely on a larger scale within the association. That is why the aim will be to give the yearbook more exposure and publicity throughout the year. One example of this would be the theme announcement at one of the monthly borrels, introduced last year. In addition, keeping in particular international association members in mind, it will be very important the yearbook is completely in English. This is to improve consistency and unity within the yearbook, as well as popularity among members. Since the yearbook is about the entire association, it is vital that the entire association can enjoy and experience all of the yearbook.

Printing at PerfectBook in Vught has been experienced as successful so far, in part due to explanation of the programme InDesign they offer, and since the contract the association has with them still runs, the yearbook will be printed here again this year.

8.2.2 Committee

As the committee, existing of a total of six members, is this year no longer directly headed by the commissioner but by a chair, it is up to the latter to lead the committee in creating a new yearbook. Taking into account all the challenges involved, all committee members, including the chair, secretary and treasurer, will have to work on all tasks within the committee. Since all committee members have said they are willing to work on the acquiring of content, as well as working on the lay-out and do visual editing, the committee will not be separated into writers and visual editors.

To make creating this yearbook as special as possible for everyone in the committee, it is important that focus lies not only with the final result, but also with gaining experience, skills, personal development and the social aspect of being in a committee. The commissioner will work closely with the chair to achieve this, by such means as committee activities and workshops.

8.3 Commissioner Dies

"People who think they know everything are a great annoyance to those of us who do" - Isaac Asimov

8.3.1 General

The Dies committee this year will strive to organise multiple events throughout the week of the 38th anniversary of SPIL, to celebrate this great moment in a suitable fashion. The committee has been established to organise an anniversary-week, rather than the standard anniversary-lecture. Since the aim is to organise both formal and informal activities that are open and accessible for members from The Hague as well as Leiden, the committee will seek to find the best possible balance between both cities. They will take into consideration the nature of activities in doing so. Although it is up to the committee to offer a wide range of activities, the commissioner does believe it is important that the traditional anniversary-lecture is once again part of the programme.

8.3.2 Committee

Given the timing of the anniversary, relatively early in the academic year, the committee has already been appointed and has started in May, under the XXXVIIIth board. The committee exists of five members, including a chair, secretary and treasurer. All these members are involved in the different activities that they want to organise, although each focuses on one specific activity.

In addition to the duties they carry out in the committee, the commissioner would also like to improve the social aspect of being a committee member, through the means of for example committee activities. The commissioner believes this enhances the extent to which the members enjoy their efforts, as well as improve the cooperation within the committee.

9. COMMISSIONER EXTERNAL RELATIONS

The task of the commissioner of External Relations is to manage the acquisitions and oversee the committee, run the social media account and make sure that SPIL members are well informed of activities taking place, and lastly running the website. The commissioner is overseeing two extra committees which are the Social Activities Committee and the SPIL Weekend Committee.

9.1 Commissioner Acquisitions

"Money's only something you need in case you don't die tomorrow." – Carl Fox (Martin Sheen)Wall Street

9.1.1 Finance and Partnership

The goal is to set a sum and complete this number by being able to take in the largest amount possible. The committee will work based upon a set number, however will strive to go beyond this amount in order to make up for the lower budget this year. This will be achieved through deals with companies where they are promoted by placing ads on the website or in the DEBAT magazine. However the commissioner hopes to provide SPIL members with benefits as well. These can range from discounts on food, education or leisure companies. Ideally places where students can benefit from.

9.1.2 Partnerships

In order to achieve the sum that is available in the year budget, the commissioner plans on maintaining contracts from the past years such as the Studystore and Dutch lessons but also to branch out to new partners. These new contracts will enable the commissioner to have sponsored events or some in combination with other companies such as a nightlife app geared towards members. Within the SPIL, partnerships will be present as well. Just like the past years there will be sweaters for every committee which will be used as a way to portray the acquisition side of the association.

9.1.3 Merchandise

Over the course of the year, the objective is to bring at least two new merchandise items, ideally a mixture of large and small items where members are able to pick from what suits

them best. The merchandise is meant to be not only a way to advertise the association, but also useful to students with their studies or daily lives.

9.1.4 External Promotion

The commissioner will promote information of external parties, however only if it meets the set up criteria. This includes that the promotion material must be relevant to political science, relevant and beneficial to SPIL members, cannot be on a controversial issue, cannot be money attached, is not allowed to overlap with events organized by the association or the daily promotion schedule and must portray a politically neutral message.

9.1.5 Committee

The committee consists of 5 members, including chair, secretary, treasurer and two general members, of which three dutch students and two internationals. The goal of the committee this year is to create two merchandise items that will be beneficial to students and also serve as promotion for the association when the items are openly carried in public. The committee will work together to find new contracts with businesses to provide the members with discounts at relevant companies and to provide more monetary resources to the organization. With the new committee structure the president is going to be in charge of the committee, however, the commissioner will continue to be aware of the doings of the committee and make sure it runs smoothly.

9.2 Commissioner Promotion

"Privacy is dead, and social media hold the smoking gun." Pete Cashmore, Mashable CEO

9.2.1 Social Media

Through the usage of *Facebook* and *Instagram* the promotion is going to be carried out. The commissioner plans on making more use of Instagram Stories including polls to reach out to members, hear feedback and recommendations. All events and applicable information will be shared on *Facebook* and then shared by the relevant commissioner in facebook groups to ensure a majority of interested students are reached. During events, most pictures and videos will be posted on Instagram stories rather than *Snapchat*, which will have a less relevant role in the promotion scene. Following accounts on *Instagram* will be limited to people who are members of the SPIL, associations that relate to the SPIL or other relevant social media accounts. The monthly newsletter will include all the events for the month or pictures of past activities which is another outlet of the association to the public.

There will be no more than two posts a day on the facebook page and instagram to ensure there is no overflow of information. However to continue to keep followers up to date, any remaining promotion can be done via the Instagram story as there will be no limit as to how much can be added.

9.2.2 Posters and Photos

Posters and photos will be used to achieve a successful promotion. The goal of posters is to catch the audience's attention and make an event or activity look promising to join. As not all students are active on social media, the posters will also help in reaching all students by hanging these up around the campus in Leiden and The Hague. The commissioner is going to continue the quality and editing style of photos from the previous year and will continue to

ensure that there is a large selection of photos that can be edited from and then shared on social media. Photos shall rarely be the same on these sharing platforms allowing the commissioner to post as many pictures as possible.

9.2.3 Committee

The committee this year consists of 4 members, including one international student. The main tasks are going to include designing posters, taking pictures and editing these to share what the association is doing and promote events that are going to take place. The committee was put together in this way based upon experience, allowing inexperienced members to further their knowledge and add new ideas to the important task of promotion. Members with higher expertise can be used as an inspiration and guide in skill building.

9.2.4 Common Room The Hague

The common room in The Hague has been actively promoted last year and the goal is to continue this and make it more open to students. This year it will be promoted by the promotion committee. As it is hidden in the back of the Wijnhaven building, the commissioner shall attempt to put up a new sign letting students know where they can find the room. Furthermore, there will be events in the common rooms to attract students and make it more comfortable spending time there. As seen with the waffle hour, events that are right after lectures guarantee a higher turn out of students, meaning the commissioner wants to continue planning events accordingly to lectures, making it easier for students to stop by the common room.

9.3 Commissioner ICT

"Modern Intelligence: if all the bathrooms in the house are taken, turn off the internet"

9.3.1 Main Goal

Just like the previous years, the commissioner wants to improve the state of the website and make it more user friendly. The commissioner also wants to work on the layout and the home page by including more pictures of events and activities. Updating each committee page shall be another main task, making the website helpful for new and interested members to gain insight into the structure of SPIL. The website is hosted through a program called JoomLa, however the commissioner is looking into the option of transferring all website data to wordpress.org. Through doing this, the maintenance of the ICT will be easier for future commissioners and have a better overview.

9.3.2 Improvements

The user experience of the website is relatively bad and it makes it difficult to navigate the website. Pages such as the book sale are very confusing and should ideally be improved to make ordering books easier as well. The commissioner wants to decrease the chaos on the background workings of the website to make it easier to update the website and to allow the website to be more easily edited in the future.

9.4 Commissioner Social Activities

This committee consists of a total of four students, of which one is international. The commissioner wants to reduce the amount of events from last year to ensure a higher turn out.

Furthermore, the main goal for this year is to follow a quality over quantity idea. With this, the committee as well plans on organizing exciting events balanced among Leiden and The Hague. If the organized activity were to take place on a day of a borrel, ideally the activity would then attach to the evening event after. Not only will this allow for bonding amongst students, it will also help in creating a higher turn out at the borrel.

The activities this year are going to attempt to be attractive to students and will range from boat rides to themed events such as for Christmas and St. Patrick's Day.

9.5 Commissioner SPIL Weekend

The SPIL weekend committee will be put together in November and then organize a weekend trip for May 2 and 3. During this weekend, the goal is to take as many Dutch and international students as possible to allow them to get to know each other and bind students to the association and other SPILlers. With this committee again there will be a president, secretary, treasurer and four general members to come up with an attractive location, exciting activities and a memorable trip. The commissioner hopes that this weekend overall will help with more binding within the association by people getting to know each other and spending a couple of days together.

YEAR PLANNING SPIL 2018/2019

Week	Date	Activity
September 2019		
Week 36	5th of September 5th of September	 SPIL drinks Leiden Lobby event
Week 37	12th of September	1. GA: change of boards
Week 38	17th of September 19th of Septemeber	 Introduction activity SPIL drinks The Hague
Week 39	23rd of September	1. Waffle-hour (Leiden +
	26th of September	The Hague) 2. *First* Monthly SPIL drinks The Hague
	24th of September	3. Master borrel (Leiden)
October 2019		
Week 40	2nd and 3rd of October	1. Leids Ontzet
Week 41	10th of October 10th of October 8th of October 12th of October	 SPIL drinks Leiden - Oktoberfest Boats and beers Registration Brussels excursion
Week 42		
	17th of October	1. Pieter de la Court evenement
	17th of October 14th of October	 Introduction activity Bachelor Price

	14th of October	1. Short Trip reveal
Week 43	31th of October	Exam week 1. SPIL drinks The Hague - Halloween
Week 44	28th of October	1. Application long trip and SPIL weekend committee open
	25th of October	 Information Meeting Policy GA
	28th of October	4. Deadline short trip
	30th, 31st of October and 1st of	registration
	November	5. Formal activity
		6. DEBAT workshop
		7. Evaluation block 1
November 2019		
Week 45	1st of Novermber	 Deadline cancelling Brussels for participants
	4th - 7th of November	2. Diesweek
	6th, 7th and 8th of November	3. Deadline SPIL weekend and long trip committee
Week 46	12th of November	1. Constitutie Borrel
		2. Excursion activitiy
		3. Introduction activity
Week 47	18th of November	1. Long trip and SPIL weekend committee formed
	21 st of November	2. SPIL drinks The Hague
	22 nd of November	3. Alumni event
		 Master activity Social activity
Week 48	25th - 26th of November	 Brussels excursion Education activity
	28th - 29th of November	3. Politicologie inside
	28th of November	4. Politicologie inside
		party 5. DEBAT publication
December 2019		
Week 49	5th of December	1. SPIL drinks The Hague
		2. Reunionists Newsletter
		3. Social activity

		4. Formal activity
Week 50	9th of December	1. Pre activity short trip
Week 51	20th of December	Exam week 1. SPIL drinks Leiden / SPIL gala
Week 52		Evaluation block 2
January 2020		
Week 1		
Week 2		
Week 3		
Week 4		
Week 5	27th of January 28th of January – 2nd of February	 Pre-activity dinner Short trip
February 2020		
Week 6	5th of February 6th of February	 FSW party SPIL drinks Leiden Excursions activity Parent's day Leiden
W 17	8th of February	
Week 7		 Formal activity Master activity Social - valentijn
Week 8	20th of February	 SPIL drinks The Hague Education activity
Week 9		 Formal activity Social activity DEBAT publication
March 2020		
Week 10	5th of March	 PiP activity SPIL drinks Leiden Excursions activity Parent's day The Hague
Week 11		 Information Meeting Interim GA Old boards borrel Formal activity Education activity

Week 12	17th of March	 Reunionist Newsletter Social activity Master activity
Week 13	27th of March	Exam week 1. SPIL drinks The Hague
Week 14	2nd of April	 SPIL drinks Leiden SPIL gala* Excursions activity Evaluation block 3
<u>April 2020</u>		
Week 15		 Formal activity Introduction activity
Week 16		 Pre-activity long trip Education activity
Week 17	23rd of April	 Social activity SPIL drinks The Hague Introduction activity DEBAT publication
Week 18	27th of April 2nd + 3rd of May	 Kingsday SPIL weekend Formal activity
<u>May 2020</u>		
Week 19	7th of May	 SPILxBIL feest SPIL drinks Leiden (Yearbook) Master activity External Activity
Week 20		1. Education activity
Week 21	21st of May 21st of May 22nd of May	 Exam week Pre-activity long trip SPIL drinks The Hague Efteling
Week 22		Evaluation block 4
June 2020		
Week 23	4th of June	1. SPIL drinks Leiden + Candidate Board Announcement(
Week 24		1. GA
Week 25		1. Master activity

Week 26	22nd of June 24th of June 25th June - 16th July	1. 2. 3.	DEBAT publication Pre-activity long trip Long trip
Week 27	25th of June – 16th of July	1.	Long trip
July 2020			
Week 28	25th of June – 16th of July	1. 2.	e 1
Week 29			
Week 30			
Week 31			
<u>August 2020</u>			
Week 32		1.	Freshmen Weekend
Week 33			
Week 34			
Week 35			
September 2020			
Week 36			
Week 37		1.	GA: change of boards + presentation Yearbook
Week 38			
Week 39			
Week 40			

Budget 2019-2020

Income				
	Estimated budget 18/19	Realization 18/19	Estimated budget 19/20	
Membership fee ¹	€ 20.384,00	€ 20.110,00	€ 22.320,00	
Interest safe	€ 0,50	€ 0,23	€-	
General contribution Department	€ 1.600,00	€ 1.600,00	€ 1.600,00	
Alumni contribution Department	€ 200,00	€ 200,00	€ 200,00	
StudyStore ²	€ 10.295,00	€ 11.686,03	€ 7.100,00	
Committee Acquisitions ³	€ 2.080,00	€ 1.466,77	€ 2.500,00	
Contribution Equity	€-	€-	€-	

Other income	€ 50,00	€ 60,00	€ 50,00
Donation 38th board ⁴	€ 780,00	€ 780,00	€ 510.00
Total	€ 35.489,50	€ 36.040,65	€ 34.390,00

- 1. The calculation of the membership fee is based on 1550 members. Ten percent defaulters have been taken into account.
- 2. The proceeds of StudyStore are significantly lower than last year. This is the consequence of a decreased proceed from the first block.
- 3. The target for the acquisition committee is established at 2500 euros. The expenses of the acquisition training which the commissioner wants to follow is included, because the acquisition committee is supposed to raise money for the SPIL, not spend it.
- 4. The 39th board received a gift from the 38th board. This gift will be used for the website and the purchase of SPIL-yellow shirts for the visibility on events.

	Expenses18/19		l	Expenses 19/2
Structure	Estimated	Realization		Structure
18/19	budget 18/19	18/19		19/20
Board	€ 5.457,08	€ 5.280,89		Board
Secretary	€ 800,00	€ 495,84		Secretary
Foreign Affairs	€ 6.816,80	€6.771,08		Global Affairs
Long Trip	€ 3.850,00	€3.850,00	ļ	Long Trip
Short Trip	€ 2.666,80	€2.666,80		Short Trip
				Festive activities
				Congress
Facilities	€ 5.530,30	€ 5.641,35		n Relations
			DEBAT	
			Yearbook	
			Dies	
DEBAT	€ 4.500,00	€ 4.497,49	Extern Relation	18
			ICT	
			Promotion	
			Social activitie	
			SPIL-Weekend	
Yearbook	€ 3.700,00	0.2 (09.27	Acquisition Reservers	
	/	€ 3.698,37		1.4.
Reservers	€ 1.950,00	€ 3.228,00	Education & Po	olitics
			Education	
			Formal Master activities	
			Excursions	
			Excursions	
Promotion	€ 950,00	€ 1.093,01	Introduction	
ICT	€ 852,58	€ 747,12	Depreciation	
Educationo	€ 800,00	€ 800,37	PvP	
SPIL weekend	€ 750,00	€ 750,00	Investments	
Domestic Affairs	€ 651,09	€ 556,98	Contingencies	
Investments	€ 584,67	€ 773,49	-	
IAPSS	€ 500,00	€ 508,37	-	

Depreciation	€ 350,00	€ 350,00	-	
PvP	€ 150,00	€ 175,00	-	
Acquisition	€ 80,00	€ -	-	
Contingencies	€ 1.064,69	€ 672,90	-	
Total	€ 35.487,21	€ 36.040,26	Total	€ 34.383,64

Expenses by post (General)

Board	Estimated budget 18/19	Realization 18/19	Estimated budget 19/20
Active Members day	€ 1.200,00	€ 1.147,59	€ 1.000,00
ABN-Amro expense business account	€ 540,00	€ 486,27	€ 500,00
Expenses General Assembly	€ 800,00	€ 800,04	€ 800,00
Van den Berg-Bachelorthesis award	€ 100,00	€ 100,00	€ 100,00
Constitutionborrel presents	€ 75,00	€ 88,33	€ 100,00
Constitutionborrel SPIL	€ 1.201,61	€ 1.201,61	€ 1.350,00
Office supplies	€ 550,00	€ 606,55	€ 500,00
StOP memberhip fee	€ 10,00	€ 10,00	€ 10,00
Expenses SPIL-common room	€ 440,00	€ 380,06	€ 400,00
Free drink: Change of Board GA ¹	€ 112,10	€ 112,10	€ 104,60
Staff-lunch with institute ²	€ 63,70	€ 63,70	€ 80,00
General Management Expenses ³	€ 300,00	€ 265,69	€ 300,00
Applications board 2019-2020 ⁴	€ 50,00	€ 4,28	€ 70,00
First-years introduction drinks	€ 14,67	€ 14,67	€-
Total	€ 5.457,08	€ 5.280,89	€ 5.314,60

- 1. The Change of Boards-GA was well visited, but the Storm afterwards a little less. All the persons present had multiple drinks.
- 2. Again this year the costs of the staff-lunch will be split with the institute.
- 3. General management expenses includes Christmas cards, the board interest booklets and board training.
- 4. The drinks of the board interest borrel will be financed of this budget.

Secretary	Estimated budget 18/19	Realization 18/19	Estimated budget 19/20
Former-board drinks	€ 500,00	€ 495,84	€ 450,00
Alumni drinks	€ 300,00	€-	€ 250,00

Total	€ 800,00	€ 495,84	€ 700,00
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Reserves	Estimated budget 18/19	Realization 18/19	Estimated budget 19/20
8 th Lustrum der SPIL ¹	€ 1.750,00	€ 2.000,00	€ 1.500,00
SPIL common room Leiden ²	€ 150,00	€ 150,00	€ 150,00
Lustrum DEBAT	€ 150,00	€ 300,00	€ 150,00
Donation to the 39 th board	€ -	€ 510,00	€-
Total	€ 2.050,00	€ 3.228,00	€ 1.800,00

1. The 38th board had more money to spend, so they budget more money for the Lustrum. The 39th board decided to reserve the usual amount of money.

2. For the SPIL common room in Leiden there will be no write offs. To cover future expenses money will be 'saved'. This is the reason why the SPIL common room in Leiden is put under reserves.

Depreciation	Estimated budget 18/19	Realization 18/19	Estimated budget 19/20
SPIL common room The Hague ¹	€ 250,00	€ 250,00	€ 250,00
Depreciation camera	€ 100,00	€ 100,00	€ 100,00
Total	€ 350,00	€ 350,00	€ 350,00

Explanation:

1. The treasurer has a list of all assets. Depreciation includes: furniture, the sofa and all appliance, refrigerator, coffee maker, kettle, toast iron, music boxes, and other products.

'Platform voor Politicologen'	Estimated budget 18/19	Realization 18/19	Estimated budget 19/20
Membership fee ¹	€ 150,00	€ 175,00	€ 150,00
Total	€ 150,00	€ 175,00	€ 150,00

Explanation:

1. The membership fee of last year was higher, but it is back on the old amount.

Investments	Estimated budget 18/19	Realization 18/19	Estimated budget 19/20
Stereo Leiden	€ 37,50	€ 37,50	€ -
Second iZettle	€ 97,17	€ 97,17	€-

Total	€ 584,67	€ 773,49	€ 100,00
SPIL bags	€ -	€ 210,54	€-
SPIL pens	€ 250,00	€ 242,00	€-
Investment for promotional purposes (SPIL-stickers) ¹	€ 200,00	€ 186,28	€ 100,00

1. The expectation will be that the SPIL will run out of stickers at the end of the year. With this amount new stickers could be bought.

Contigencies	Estimated budget 18/19	Realization 18/19	Estimated budget 19/20
General expenses ¹	€ 1.014,25	€-	€ 1031,70
SPIL banner	€ 50,44	€ 131,45	€ -
New printer common room Leiden	€-	€ 201,45	€-
ANP	€-	€ 340,00	€-
Total	€ 1.091,69	€ 672,90	€ 1031,70

Explanation:

1. Contigencies is 3% of the total income of the SPIL.

Expenses by post 2018-2019

Foreign Affairs	Estimated budget 18/19	Realization 18/19
Short Trip	€ 2.666,80	€ 2.666,80
Long Trip	€ 3.850,00	€ 3.850,00
Pre- en Postactivities	€ 300,00	€ 254,28
Total	€ 6.816,80	€ 6.771,08

DEBAT	Estimated budget 18/19	Realization 18/19
4x DEBAT	€ 4.200,00	€ 4.208,76
Workshops	€ 100,00	€ 90,00
Digital DEBAT	€ 200,00	€ 198,73
Total	€ 4.500,00	€ 4.497,49

Yearbook	Estimated budget	Realization
	18/19	18/19

Yearbook	€ 3.700,00	€ 3.368,37
Committee expenses	€ -	€ 16,49
Total	€ 3.700,00	€ 3.714,86

Facilities	Estimated budget 18/19	Realization 18/19
Pubquiz	€ 100,00	€ 49,90
Borrels (14) ¹	€ 840,00	€ 940,26
Movie night	€ 250,00	€ 67,96
Karaoke night	€ 200,00	€ 160,75
Parties (5)	€ 712,47	€ 785,19
Parent's day Leiden ²	€ 400,00	€ 885,74
Excursion Efteling ³	€ 100,00	€ 194,00
Band night ⁴	€ 400,00	€ 231,20
Gala	€ 1.500,00	€1.617,13
Wafel hour	€ 11,06	€ 11,06
Dutch Day	€ 16,27	€ 16,27
Parent's Day The Hague ⁵	€ 150,00	€ 56,44
Madurodam ⁶	€ 33,00	€ 33,00
GSA ⁷	€ 400,00	€ 394,95
Ice skating ⁸	€ 67,50	€ 67,50
Introductory activity The Hague ⁹	€ 350,00	€ 100,00
Pubcrawl ¹⁰	€-	€ 30,00
Total	€ 5.530,30	€ 5.641,35

Promotion	Estimated budget 18/19	Realization 18/19
Promotion committee ¹	€ 600,00	€ 743,01
EL-CID stand	€ 150,00	€ 150,00
HOP-week stand ²	€ 200,00	€ 200,00

Total	€ 950,00	€ 950,00

ICT	Estimated budget 18/19	Realization 18/19
License Snelstart	€ 140,00	€ 140,00
Subscription PC Leden	€ 75,00	€ 71,39
Hosting 'www.spilplaats.nl'	€ 325,54	€ 325,54
Domain name registration Argeweb	€ 20,00	€ 18,15
Website ¹	€ 59,29	€ 59,29
Advice expert ²	€ 100,00	€-
DEBAT software ³	€ 132,75	€ 132,75
Total	€ 852,58	€ 852,58

Education	Estimated budget 18/19	Realization 18/19
Education Evaluations ¹	€ 50,00	€ -
Activities & Workshops ²	€ 500,00	€ 612,40
Carreer	€ 250,00	€ 187,97
Total	€ 800,00	€ 800,37

SPIL weekend SPIL contribution	Estimated budget 18/19 € 750,00	Realization 18/19 € 750,00
Total	€ 750,00	€ 750,00

Domestic Affairs	Estimated budget 18/19	Realization 18/19
Excursions, Lectures & Debates ¹	€ 250,00	€ 305,89
Dies Lecture	€ 151,09	€ 151,09
Leidsch Debat	€ 200,00	€ 100,00
StOP interfaculty activities	€ 50,00	€-
Total	€ 651,09	€ 556,98

IAPSS (International Association for Political	Estimated	Realization
Science Students)	budget	18/19
	18/19	

IAPSS membership fee	€ 100,00	€ 100,00
Pre IAPSS activity	€-	€-
SPIL contribution	€-	€-
Symposium ¹	€ 400,00	€ 408,37
Totaal	€ 500,00	€ 508,37

Acquisitie	Estimated budget 18/19	Realization 18/19
Acquisitie training ¹	€-	€-
Total	€-	€-

Expenses by post 2019-2020

Global Affairs	Estimated budget 19/20
Short trip	€ 2.666,80
Long Trip ¹	€ 4.900,00
Pre- and postactivities	€ 250,00
Festive activities	€ 2.450,00
Borrels $(17)^2$	€ 500,00
Party	€ 750,00
Gala	€ 1.200,00
Congress	€ 1.620,00
IAPSS membership fee	€ 100,00
Pre-congress activities	€ 20,00
SPIL-contribution	€ 1.500,00 ³
Total	€ 11.886,80

- 1. There will be 35 participants on the Long Trip, just like last year.
- 2. This year there also will be a monthly borrel in The Hague. The number of borrels is higher than previous years.
- 3. The SPIL will contribute to the expenses of the trip to the congress to make the trip more appealing. The maximum number of participants is 35 and the SPIL will contribute €50,00 per person, this is the same as last year.

Internal Relations	Estimated budget 19/20
DEBAT	€ 4.600,00
4x DEBAT	€ 4.200,00
Workshops	€ 100,00
DEBAT-online ¹	€ 300,00
Yearbook ²	€ 3.250,00

Dies ³	€ 600,00
Total	€ 8.450,00

- 1. The commissioner of internal relations want to emphasize DEBAT-online to make it a bigger platform. This is the reason why the estimated budget is higher.
- 2. Due to the disappointing proceeds of StudyStore the budget for the yearbook will be less than last year.
- 3. For the first time there will be a Dies week. Since it won't be only a lecture but a week full of activities the estimated budget is higher.

External Relations	Estimated budget 19/20
Social activities ¹	€ 475,00
Acquisition	€ 80,00
ICT	€ 810,54
License Snelstart	€ 140,00
Subscription PCleden	€ 75,00
Hosting www.spilplaats.nl	€ 325,54
Domain name registration Argeweb	€ 20,00
Website ²	€ 150,00
Precaution incident	€ 100,00
Promotion	€ 700,00
General expenses	€ 300,00
ELCID and HOP stand	€ 375,00
SPIL-Weekend	€ 375,00
Total	€ 2.440,54

- 1. The activities of the social activities committee still has to be determined.
- 2. The commissioner of ICT is looking for a different website. This may cause expenses and a part of the gift will be used for the website.

Education & Politics	Estimated budget 19/20
Excursions	€ 175,00
Formal	€ 300,00
'Leidsch Debat'	€ 200,00
Education	€ 535,00
Education evaluations	€ 50,00
Activities & workshops	€ 300,00
Carreer	€ 185,00

Master	€ 250,00
Workshops	€ 150,00
Carreer	€ 100,00
Total	€ 1.260,00

Introduction	Estimated budget 19/20
General expenses	€ 200,00
Freshmenday ¹	€ 100,00
Parent's day ²	€ 600,00
First-years brunch	€ 27,28
Total	€ 900,00

- 1. The Freshmenday is a new activity that is meant for the members who couldn't make it to Freshmen Weekend. It will be a day with social and educative activities.
- 2. Labyrint and SPIL will be working together once again for the Parent's day to keep the expenses as low as possible. The commissioner of introduction is discussing with other associations (Emile & Itiwana) whether they also want to join the collaboration.

Balance

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Debet		Credit			
ABN business account	€	Eigen vermogen	€		
ABN savings account	€	Lustrum reservations	€ 5.500,00		
Ties (185)	€ 1.110,00	DEBAT reservations	€ 500,00		
Bows (100)	€ 600,00	Reserver: SPIL common room Leiden	€ 300,00		
Pair of braced (94)	€ 2.068,00	Depreciation	€ 1.546,00		
Bowties (107)	€ 1.070,20	SPIL items	€ 1.825,29		
Doppers (55)	€ 547,25	Buffer contributie	€ 12.080,00		
Previous board pin (72)	€ 148,86	Extra buffer	€ 14.570,55		
Umbrella (16)	€ 96,00				
Bike essentials (36)	€ 350,36				
Card holder (14)	€ 50,14				
Cash	€ 727,16				
Debtors	€ 1.836,70				
Total	€		€		

Debtors		Creditors	
Staff-lunch with institute	€63,70		
The institute of Political Science	€1.800,00		
Totaal	€ 1863,70		€