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Preface

Dear reader,

5 With pleasure, the XXXVth board of SamenwerkingsOverleg Faculteitsverenigingen (SOFv) presents its Semi-Annual Report. This document contains everything the XXXVth board has achieved over the last months and how this has been accomplished. Next to this, the plans for the upcoming months are elaborated on, to provide insight into the rest of the board year.

The XXXVth board encourages its readers to read this document with criticism and care and to let them know questions and remarks during the Semi-Annual gma.

10 To end this preface, the goals of the XXXVth board as stated in the Policy Plan are restated, to invite its readers to reflect on the past half year with these goals in mind.

- Keep SOFv an approachable entity;
- Sustain the active presence of SOFv on their social media accounts;
- Increase the amount of involvement, visibility and input from member organisations;
- 15 • Offering support to member organisations where necessary and possible;
- Advocating for the interests of member organisations and their respective board members;
- Working to promote well-being;
- 20 • Increase the professionalism of SOFv and member organisations;
- Strengthen the connection with and amongst member organisations.

Sincerely,

The XXXVth board of SOFv,

Revi Siegers, Maureen Havekes, Zuzanna Miller, Lóa Driessen & Nadja Mohn

1. General

1.1 Gmas

The General Member Assemblies (gmas) have taken place approximately every six to seven weeks as planned. The standard language has always been English at these
5 gmas, with the option to ask questions and make remarks in Dutch, followed by a translation by the board.

The XXXVth board has invited multiple guest speakers to these gmas. These include Student Life and International Mobility (15 October 2025), the Confidential Contact
10 Persons of SOFv (10 December 2025), the Student Ambassador of the fire department Gelderland-Zuid (10 October 2025) and Verenigd Onder Studentenbelang (10 December 2025).

After each gma, after-drinks in *De Ondergang* took place, which continued into after-
drinks at BAS/Café De Fuik. This year, all after-drinks have been held at BAS/Café De
Fuik, instead of varying between BAS/Café De Fuik and the Molenstraat, which the
15 XXXVth board experiences as very positive. Both the after-drinks in *De Ondergang* and BAS/Café De Fuik have been very successful, with many attending board members from various faculties. Only after the gma of 4 February 2026, the after-drinks at BAS were hardly attended. This could be explained by Stichting RAGweek organising 24 hours in *De Ondergang* at the same time, which a lot of members
20 attended after the gma. In general, the XXXVth board has received positive feedback on the after-drinks from member organisations.

1.2 Room Visits

The XXXVth board has completed the first round of Room Visits. These Room Visits were mandatory for every board. During each visit, generally two members of the
25 SOFv board were present: one person led the conversation and asked the questions, while the other took minutes.

The questions covered a variety of topics, ranging from how the individual board is functioning internally to how the organisation as a whole is doing. Through these Room Visits, the SOFv board has an accessible way to stay informed about the
30 experiences, challenges, and successes of its members. At the same time, the Room Visits provide an opportunity for member boards to ask questions, share feedback, and discuss any concerns directly with the SOFv board. During the room visits, the

board connected with members and collected information for the loan list and the sponsorlist.

The board has now started the second round of Room Visits. This second round is only mandatory for boards that have not yet had their Room Visit, for example, because their board transition takes place at the beginning of the calendar year.

1.3 Statutes

The XXXVth board is working on renewing their statutes. The current statutes are outdated and less comprehensive than they should be. The board had the opportunity to use a blueprint that a fellow umbrella organisation, the NSSR, provided. This made it financially possible for the board to renew the statutes this year.

During the gma on 4 February 2026 the XXXVth board presented a concept version of the statutes. The board has collected feedback and sent this to the notary. The board will present an updated version of the statutes on 25 March 2026, with all possible implementations that were suggested by the GMA during the gma on 4 February 2026. The GMA will vote on the statutes during the gma on 25 March 2026.

1.4 Website

The XXXVth board is working on entirely updating the website. The website was outdated and did not work properly anymore. For example, when the board started to edit a page, it resulted in the disappearance of text, photographs, or documents that were already on that page. This means that most of the website needs to be rebuilt. The pages that were on the old website still exist. However, all pages need to be designed again, and everything needs to be added to the pages all over.

The board bought Elementor Pro to rebuild the website. At the time of writing, the website was put in maintenance mode on 13 February 2026. Members could only access the Group Travel Subsidy Regulations and the Group Travel Subsidy Request Form through the website. It is mentioned on the maintenance page of the website that organisations should email info@sofv.nl to request a document. The board hopes that the website will function again towards the end of March.

1.5 Documents

Usually, multiple documents can be found on the website. Documents can be accessed in both Dutch and English. These documents consist of, for example, the SOFv database, a manual for Constitution Drinks, protocols on mourning and data breaches, a hand-out on mental support, an example of a non-disclosure agreement,

the DEI handbook, the Sustainability Guide for Study Associations (which was created by The Green Office in collaboration with the XXXIst board of SOFv) and a Code of Conduct Template.

- 5 The board will add an updated version of the Code of Conduct Template to the website once it is up and running again. The detailed manual on Photoshop and InDesign has been taken from the website. Those manuals are not allowed to be on the website due to contractual obligations. Directly emailing it to organisations is allowed. An organisation can request these manuals by sending an email to
- 10 info@sofv.nl.

As requested by the GMA on 10 December 2025, all documents will include line numbers from now on.

1.6 Database

- 15 The database document can be found on the website when it is working. This document consists of study trip locations of the previous academic years, Constitution Drinks locations, locations for regular drinks, gma locations, gala locations, weekend locations and juridical persons. This document has been promoted during the first SOFv gma of this academic year and during the Room
- 20 Visits in order to make member organisations more aware of this document's existence.

The information gathered from the Room Visits in the first semester regarding the study trip locations can be found on the website when it is functioning.

1.7 Sponsoring

- 25 The XXXVth board has continued to collaborate with multiple external partners in exchange for sponsorships. These include agreements made with K.O. Company, BAS/Café De Fuik, and Luxor. The sponsorships that SOFv receives from its partners are provided in exchange for organising activities at their venues or for sharing their logo or advertisement through the various media channels controlled by SOFv.
- 30 The collaboration with two different pubs, as initiated by the XXXIVth board, has been continued, but the specifics of this collaboration have been amended. BAS/Café De Fuik has mainly been used as a location to organise after-drinks, whereas K.O. Company has mainly provided locations for big activities. The XXXVth board is

content with this choice since this provides much flexibility. Next to this, the partnership with Luxor has also been expanded, resulting in an addition of a 10% discount for member organisations who want to print sustainable codices at Luxor, and an increase in sponsorship.

- 5 The XXXVth board has yet to receive a substantial amount of its total sponsorship. This is due to the invoice date of K.O. Company being at the end of the year, except for the invoice for the invitation cards of the Constitution Drinks. Next to this, Luxor had requested to postpone the first sponsorship meeting towards the new calendar year. This sponsorship meeting has taken place, and the invoice has been sent. All
10 activities that have taken place at BAS/Café De Fuik in the first half of the year have also been invoiced.

Contact with both BAS/Café De Fuik and Luxor has overall proceeded well, and thus far, both SOFv and its partners are satisfied with the collaboration. Contact with K.O. Company has caused multiple ambiguities. The contact person SOFv uses to
15 communicate with K.O. Company has changed between three different people in the past few months. This meant that with every new contact person, set agreements had to be summarised for the new contact person and checked again with superiors at K.O. Company. This caused a major delay in receiving a finalised contract and signing it. These problems have been addressed at K.O. Company, and ongoing
20 ambiguities have been resolved. Finally, the board has been informed that the current contact person will stay on for the upcoming months.

One of the biggest ambiguities with K.O. Company was that SOFv no longer receives a fixed sponsorship of €450,-. Instead, SOFv will receive sponsorship based on activities and the attendance of these activities. However, the XXXVth board had
25 budgeted this fixed amount, since it was first stated by K.O. Company that the contract would stay the same as last year. By organising the New Boards Get Together, Cantus and Lustrum Party at the Molenstraat, the XXXVth board will receive a total sponsorship of €350,-. The gap of €100,- is covered by the increase in sponsorship from Luxor.

- 30 In the upcoming months, the XXXVth board will explore expanding its list of partners and the associated sponsorships. These will hopefully include collaborations with value for both SOFv and its member organisations.

1.8 Social Media

The social media channels of SOFv are primarily used to promote activities among member organisations. Upon the wish of the GMA, activities are also promoted via email, through longer overviews of upcoming activities or at the same time as the social media promotion. Moreover, SOFv's Instagram page and the WhatsApp Announcements group chat are used to promote activities. Reminders for activities are promoted through WhatsApp and Instagram stories.

Additionally, LinkedIn is used to promote the gmas and to find the XXXVIth board of SOFv.

10 1.9 Board recruitment

On 23 February 2026, the applications for the XXXVIth board of SOFv were opened. The applications will stay open until 15 March 2026. To inform people about what a board year at SOFv looks like and to offer the ability to ask questions, three board interest activities were organised.

15 The Board Information Session took place on 10 February 2026. During this session, the XXXVIth board presented a PowerPoint with information about a SOFv board year. The PowerPoint was sent to all the member organisations via WhatsApp after the information session. The second activity, the Board Interest Lunch, took place in the SOFvice on 25 February 2026. Lastly, the Board Interest Drinks took place at
20 CultuurCafé on 5 March 2026. During these two activities, people were able to chat with the SOFv board and ask any remaining questions they might have. Next to that, 'Week in the life' videos of each board member were posted on the Instagram page of SOFv, to give people more insight into a board year at SOFv.

2. Activities

2.1 Formal activities

2.1.1 Chair Training

5 This training was focused on providing the chairs of candidate boards and chairs who do not have that much experience yet with tips and tricks on leadership, facilitation skills, effective meeting management, group dynamics and decision-making skills. Adding to that, there was room for discussion among chairs to enable them to share experiences and help each other with challenges. The current Chair and the Political Chair of SOFv, who both have experience in chairing, gave this training. The training
10 was attended by 12 chairs and was perceived very positively by the SOFv board members, as well as the chairs participating. Some feedback was provided about the relevance of the training for smaller boards. During the discussion part of the training, the Chair and Political Chair were able to provide more information for smaller boards.

15 2.1.2 Emergency Response (ER) courses

Several ER courses were offered this year in collaboration with other umbrella organisations, such as NSSR and CODC. Both refresher courses and regular ER courses have been scheduled for the second half of the year.

20 Communication with the trainer regarding the organisation of the ER courses has not always run smoothly. Agreements were not consistently followed from the trainer's side, leading to issues with scheduling and locations. The board also received feedback that the content and structure of the training sessions were not always consistent. This feedback has been communicated, and the board hopes for clearer coordination and improvement in the second half of the year.

25 2.1.3 Workshop InDesign

On 25 November 2025, the InDesign workshop took place. Adobe InDesign is a software programme that is often used by organisations for promotional purposes. During the workshop, board members and their committee members learned how to work with Adobe InDesign or how to improve their skills. There were 11 people
30 present. The received feedback was positive.

2.1.4 IrisZorg Workshop

On 6 October 2025, the workshop with IrisZorg took place. There were 15 people present. During this workshop, members had the opportunity to learn how to handle

various scenarios related to substance (ab)use. IrisZorg provided practical tips on how to prevent certain situations and explained what steps to take if an incident were to occur. There was also time to ask questions and discuss specific scenarios in more detail. The board looks back on an insightful workshop.

5 2.1.5 External Affairs Training

On 3 September 2025, the External Affairs Training took place. The training was provided by the Vice-Political Chair of the XXXIVth board of SOFv and the Chair of the XXXVth board of SOFv, both having experience as a Commissioner of External Affairs in their previous and/or current board year. There were 12 people present at this training. During the training, different topics were discussed, including pitching and negotiating, partners and sponsors, contracts, and acquisition. The board looks back on an effective and educational training, with positive feedback from present board members substantiating this.

2.1.6 Fairspace training

15 On 20 February 2026, the Active Bystander training provided by Fairspace was organised in collaboration with N.K.S.W. Kompanio, LETO and Olympus. During this training, multiple effective ways of actively intervening when transgressive behaviour takes place were discussed, following the 5D strategy (distract, delegate, document, delay and direct). Even though the training was offered in English by Fairspace, the trainer provided by Fairspace had a limited proficiency in English. Besides this, the training was presented by Fairspace as an interactive training, but ultimately, the training mainly consisted of a lot of information and only one case was discussed. In total, there were 22 people present during the training. All in all, the board looks back on an informative training and a positive collaboration with the co-organising umbrella organisations.

2.2 Informal activities

The XXXVth board has observed that attendance at informal activities has been lower compared to previous years. The board believes this is most likely due to the increased number of SOFv activities this year as a result of the Lustrum, which may have made individual activities feel somewhat less distinctive. In addition, the board acknowledges that promotion for certain events could have started earlier. Lastly, the revision of the annual planning required several activities to be rescheduled, which may also have affected attendance.

2.2.1 New Boards Get Together

The New Boards Get Together took place on 11 September 2025 in the Molenstraat. The activities' purpose was to make new board members of member organisations meet and connect with one another. During this activity, board members got mixed in different groups to play various games. There were 111 sign-ups, from which 96 people were present at the activity. At the activity itself, the Lustrum theme was announced, and Stichting RAGweek announced the date of the RAGweek. The XXXVth board looks back positively on this activity.

2.2.2 SOFv x RAG party

The XXXVth board organised a party together with Stichting RAGweek Nijmegen to raise money for their selected charities. The party took place on 20 November 2025 at Café De Fuik. The theme of this year was: 'Murder on the Dancefloor'. Café De Fuik was decorated to suit the theme. It was a fun night with a high turnout. The party had free entry. €0,70 per drink was donated to Stichting RAGweek Nijmegen for their selected charities.

2.2.3 After CoBo activity

The After CoBo activity was organised on 26 January 2026. A total of 49 participants registered for the activity, of whom approximately 35 were present. As the board noted a relatively high number of cancellations, it will therefore communicate more clearly in future activities about cancellations and expectations. The laser gaming activity ran smoothly, with positive feedback from the participating boards.

Following the laser gaming in Drie Gezusters, Heidi's Skihut and Bar2, a pub quiz was organised at Café De Fuik. The quiz was well received, though it was a bit long. In the end, awards were presented for the brassement, laser gaming, and pub quiz.

2.2.4 Valentine's Day

On 11 February 2026, the XXXVth board delivered roses to all member organisations. These were sponsored by BAS/Café De Fuik. The activity was a surprise until 11 February 2026, when an Instagram story was posted. The roses were delivered before the actual Valentine's Day, since the holiday fell on a Saturday this year. Additionally, Wednesday (11 February 2026) was chosen instead of Friday (13 February 2026), since more member organisations were expected to be in their board rooms. The board visited all the board rooms to wish member organisations a happy Valentine's Day. A voucher from Café De Fuik was attached to the roses. If an organisation was not present, the roses were left in front of their board room door. If

an organisation did not have a board room, the roses were left at the reception of their building, and they were informed via email where they could pick up their rose. The activity was a nice way for the board to catch up with the board members. The surprise was well received, and the board is looking back on it positively.

5 2.2.5 *Cantus*

On 23 February 2026, the annual SOFv Cantus was held. At the Cantus, a total of 52 people were present. It took place in the basement of Drie Gezusters, which proved to be a suitable location for the group size. As in previous editions, the number of cancellations remained relatively high, despite advance payment.

10 During and after the event, concerns were raised regarding social safety. The board took this feedback seriously, reached out to the other boards in attendance, and apologised to those directly involved. Besides this, the board contacted the Confidential Contact Persons to ensure they were aware of the situation. In doing so, the board aimed to take responsibility and reflect on its role in the situation.

15 2.2.6 *Lustrum Party*

On 6 March 2026 the Lustrum Party took place. The party took place at De Kunstbar. It was an open party with free entry. The first 110 beers and 50 glasses of wine/soda were free. Around 40 people attended the party. The turnout was not as high as the board had hoped for. The board could have focused on more frequent promotion, and the party could have been promoted in older 'Announcements' group chats as well. People showed up late to the party, therefore the board believes that the party should have started at 22:00 instead of 21:00.

 2.2.7 *Lustrum Gala*

25 The XXXVth board started with the preparations for the Lustrum Gala around October. This year's Gala will be the Lustrum Gala, which means that the board years from 2021/2022 until and including 2025/2026 are invited. Initially, the Lustrum Gala was scheduled for 2 April 2026. The board was aware that finding a location for a minimum of 400 people would be a challenge. An additional goal was to host the Lustrum Gala at a more spectacular location than the usual location for the Gala.

30 After a lot of consideration, the Lustrum Gala will take place at the Gofferstadion, which meant that the date needed to be changed. Therefore, the Lustrum Gala was moved to 31 March 2026. The board worried that this could impact the attendance, since it was moved to a Tuesday. However, at the moment of writing, the Lustrum Gala has sold out. In all preparations for the event, efforts have been made to keep

the ticket price as low as possible. The price for the Lustrum Gala is €43,95. The board is aware that the price is not ideal, but SOFv does not have the financial capabilities to make the Lustrum Gala cheaper than the presented price. Arrangements have been made for a DJ and a photographer. The board is looking forward to the Lustrum Gala. More information will follow as the activity approaches.

2.2.8 Alumni Activity

On 10 February 2026, the Alumni Activity took place. There was a total of 18 people present. During the activity, people could play pool at House of Billiards, divided over four different pool tables. Whilst pooling, board members of last year had the opportunity to see each other again, look back on memories made during their board year and had the chance to catch up on how they were doing. After the pooling, afterdrinks were organised in Café De Fuik. The XXXVth board enjoyed catching up with their alumni and looks back on an eventful night.

A second Alumni Activity is currently being planned. More information about the event will be shared soon.

2.3 Committees

2.3.1 Yearbook Committee

The Yearbook Committee has been set up and has already had its first meeting this year. The committee consists of six members in total, two board members of SOFv and four very enthusiastic members from three different organisations. Due to the time it required to secure a sufficient number of committee members, the process of starting up the committee took longer than expected. Even though the committee consists of two fewer committee members than last year, the board is confident that an amazing yearbook will be produced. The committee will have the yearbook available for pickup during the last SOFv gma of this academic year, on 8 July 2026.

2.3.2 Lustrum Committee

The Lustrum Committee has been formed by the XXXIVth board. At the beginning of the current academic year, the applications reopened. The Lustrum Committee gained one new member. Currently, the committee is busy finalising the activities. The collaboration in the committee is going well. The XXXVth board is certain that two successful activities will be organised. More information regarding the activities will be shared soon.

3. Strengthen connection with and amongst member organisations

3.1 Main goal

As stated in the Policy Plan, one of the main goals of the XXXVth board is to strengthen the connection with and amongst member organisations. The XXXVth board sees this as a primary responsibility of SOFv and therefore deems it essential to take this responsibility seriously, ensuring that member organisations are connected not only to SOFv itself, but also to one another. In pursuit of this objective, six initiatives have been formulated and worked on in the past months.

3.2 Sharing photos

The board wanted to implement Privacy Regulations for Photographs and Video Footage. This document has been adjusted, and feedback has been collected during several gmas. At the gma on 4 February 2026, a poll was held to see if member organisations felt the need for this document, or if they preferred to go back to the way previous SOFv boards handled photo and video usage. At this gma, it became clear that member organisations want the board to work on finding a solution regarding the handling of photos and videos. Thus, the XXXVth board is looking for solutions by being in close contact with the Rechtswinkel.

3.3 SOFvice Hours

During the SOFvice Hours, board members can visit the SOFvice for a listening ear, advice and information. The board adjusted the frequency of the SOFvice Hours from once a week to once every two weeks. The board looks back positively on this decision. Attendance has remained good, which the board believes is related to the revised schedule. On average, between five and ten members attend each SOFvice Hour.

3.4 Loan list

The XXXVth board investigated expanding the loan list of SOFv. During the Room Visits, member organisations were asked for input. At the time of writing, the board is waiting for the sponsorships to come in, so a new party tent and two barbecue grills can be purchased. Besides this, the board has already added 20 whiteboards to the list. During the Room Visits, the board asked the member organisations if they would be open to loaning some of their items as well. The board received positive feedback. Therefore, in the after-gma mail, the loan list, where members can fill in what they like to loan out, will be shared. Member organisations will be asked to

include an email address through which they can be contacted. There will be an option to use the SOFvice as a pickup location, if needed.

3.5 Organisation of the Period

5 The first semester of the academic year has already gone by, which means two Organisations of the Period have been highlighted. These organisations were SV CognAc and InTenS. Input for the Organisation of the Period was gathered through both the Faculty Umbrella Meetings and a poll on the SOFv Instagram, where member organisations could nominate their fellow boards. After the first period, SV CognAC was highlighted for their enthusiasm and active presence at not just one, but
10 two umbrella organisations. After the second period, InTenS was highlighted for offering interfaculty activities, bringing students from different faculties together through both formal and informal events.

3.6 Shared sponsor list

15 The fifth initiative to strengthen the connection with and amongst member organisations was to unite member organisations in the field of sponsorships. The board will do this by creating a central list of sponsorships which are relevant for multiple organisations, such as discounts at cafés and restaurants, free items in exchange for promotion or any other relevant sponsorships. By creating this list, the XXXVth board endeavours to inform, inspire and encourage member organisations of
20 possible new sponsorships that could be implemented in their own organisation.

To create this list, a question regarding the willingness to share sponsorships with member organisations has been added to the questionnaire of the Room Visits. After the Room Visits had taken place, member organisations got the chance to look into which possible sponsorships they were willing to share with other organisations.

25 In the upcoming months, an inventory will be made of which organisations are willing to work on this project. A group chat with the Commissioners of External Affairs of the collaborating member organisations will be made, in which this project will be worked on. Once this project is finalised, the completed document will only be shared with the organisations that have joined forces to complete this list.

4. Other focus points

4.1 Well-being

The board is committed to supporting the well-being of its board members and continuously seeks ways to strengthen this focus. One of the initiatives undertaken was participating in the Wellbeing Week, both by actively promoting the week and by organising an activity. On 12 February 2026, the Board Member Wellbeing Workshop should have taken place. The activity was organised within the framework of the Radboud Wellbeing weeks. Additionally, this workshop was organised at the request of member organisations. The workshop was planned in an interactive way, which required a minimum of five people. Sadly, the minimum sign-up amount was not reached, which brought the board to the decision to cancel the activity.

The board thinks it was the right decision to cancel the activity. However, the board is open to organising this activity again, if member organisations request it.

This interest can be communicated by members via email or by attending a SOFvice Hour. Additionally, a poll will be shared in the WhatsApp Announcements group chat.

Besides this, two Confidential Contact Persons are always at the disposal of member organisations.

4.2 Promotion DEI handbook

The XXXVth board promoted the DEI (Diversity, Equity and Inclusion) handbook during the gma on 25 October 2026. This handbook provides board members with practical guidance on creating a more diverse and inclusive study organisation. In addition, it offers support and strategies for addressing challenging situations related to DEI.

4.3 Non-alcoholic drinks

To ensure that everyone can enjoy themselves and feel included, the XXXVth board continues to offer non-alcoholic drinks during after-drinks and other activities. This approach guarantees that people who prefer not to or cannot drink alcohol are still able to fully participate in all events.

4.4 Sustainability

SOFv's Political Chair is working on the Radboud Green Certificate together with the Radboud Green Office. More about this can be found in point 6.1.2 of this report. The

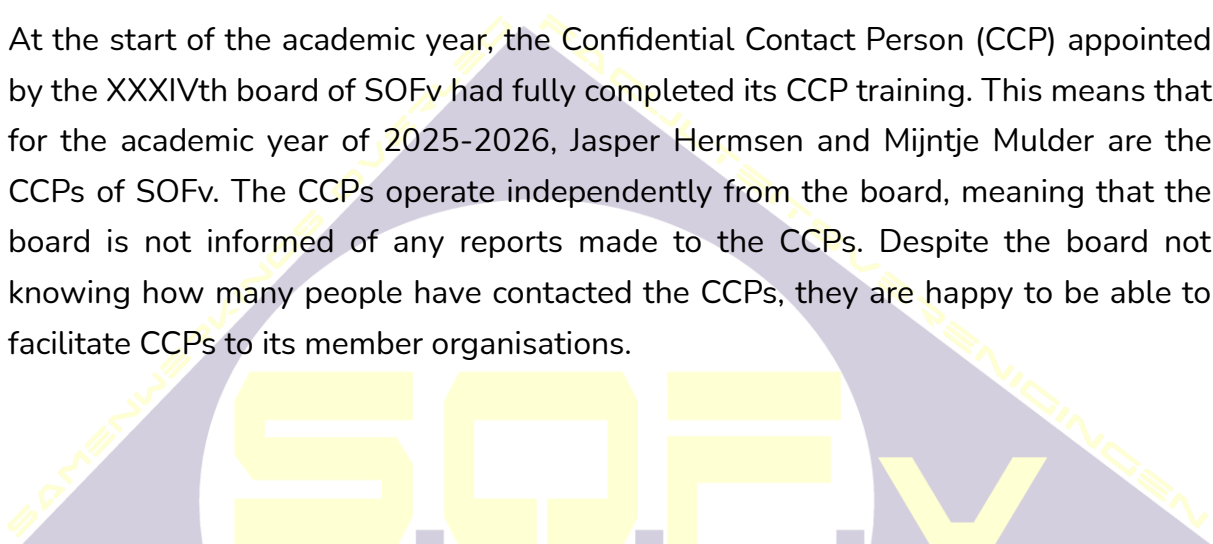
XXXVth board wishes to participate in this certificate to get a better view of what can be improved within SOFv. With sustainability in mind, the board decided to make the pub quiz that was done during the After-CoBo activity entirely paper-free. Board members wrote their answers on whiteboards instead of using paper, which worked well. These whiteboards are now also available on the loan list.

4.5 Code of Conduct template

The Code of Conduct template has been altered to be more inclusive. Before, gendered language was used, which has now been altered to gender-neutral language. Both the English and Dutch versions will be uploaded to the website once the errors on the website have been fixed. In the meantime, board members can request the Code of Conduct template via email.

4.6 Confidential Contact Persons

At the start of the academic year, the Confidential Contact Person (CCP) appointed by the XXXIVth board of SOFv had fully completed its CCP training. This means that for the academic year of 2025-2026, Jasper Hermsen and Mijntje Mulder are the CCPs of SOFv. The CCPs operate independently from the board, meaning that the board is not informed of any reports made to the CCPs. Despite the board not knowing how many people have contacted the CCPs, they are happy to be able to facilitate CCPs to its member organisations.



5. SOFv and other organisations

5.1 Faculty umbrella organisations

In order to stay aware of what is going on within the various faculties, and gather enough input on numerous topics, the XXXVth board has organised two Faculty Umbrella Meetings with board members of the various faculty (umbrella) organisations. During these meetings, N.K.S.W. Kompanio, LETO, Olympus, SVM and F.C. Sophia were present. These meetings were well received, and valuable input was given by attending organisations. Together with attending organisations, it has been decided that at least two more Faculty Umbrella Meetings will be organised, with the possibility of organising additional meetings if deemed necessary.

5.2 Umbrella meetings (SLIM)

During the past months, five umbrella meetings have taken place. During these meetings, usually the chair of each university umbrella organisation is present. SOFv represents study organisations in this meeting. During these meetings, topics concerning the University are discussed. These topics include updates from SLIM and the municipality. The board believes it to be important to continue attending these meetings to remain closely in contact with the University, SLIM and other university umbrella organisations. Outside of the meetings, the board is also in close contact with the board members of the fellow umbrella organisations, which is experienced as pleasant.

5.3 SLIM

5.3.1 General contact

Throughout the year, there has been frequent contact with SLIM about different topics apart from the subsidy. The board looks back positively on communication with SLIM over the past months. SLIM responds quickly to emails of SOFv and is always willing to think along with questions.

5.3.2 Subsidies

This academic year, the subsidy regulations did not experience a lot of changes. The main change was the ability to receive an exception if no supervisor could be found to accompany the member organisation on the trip. This exception can be granted when a contact person from the faculty can be appointed. With that, the closer contact between the member organisation and its faculty can be ensured during the study trip. As in previous years, the subsidy can be granted if the trip shows an

academic character. Every student is eligible for the subsidy once. Exceptions can be made if the student is part of the organising body (board or committee); then the subsidy can be received one additional time. No exception can be made if the student wishes to receive the subsidy as part of an organising body, if they have already received it as part of the board or committee.

The board is open to answer any questions that member organisations still have about the subsidy and encourage to reach out to the board. At the end of the year, the regulations will be reevaluated.

5.4 The SOFv board room

In August, SOFv officially moved into its new board room with Bestuurlijk Overleg Studentenverenigingen Nijmegen (B.O.S.), the umbrella organisation for the student associations. The room-sharing is going smoothly. Both boards are in constant communication about their board room use. Important SOFv documents are stored in a key-locked cabinet and not touched by B.O.S. The inventory shelf that is always accessible is checked regularly. Additionally, the board of SOFv communicated clearly that the items on the shelf can only be handled by SOFv board members. The board did not experience any difficulties when it came to organising activities in the SOFv board room. The XXXVth board is happy with how the room-sharing is going.

5.5 Jobteaser

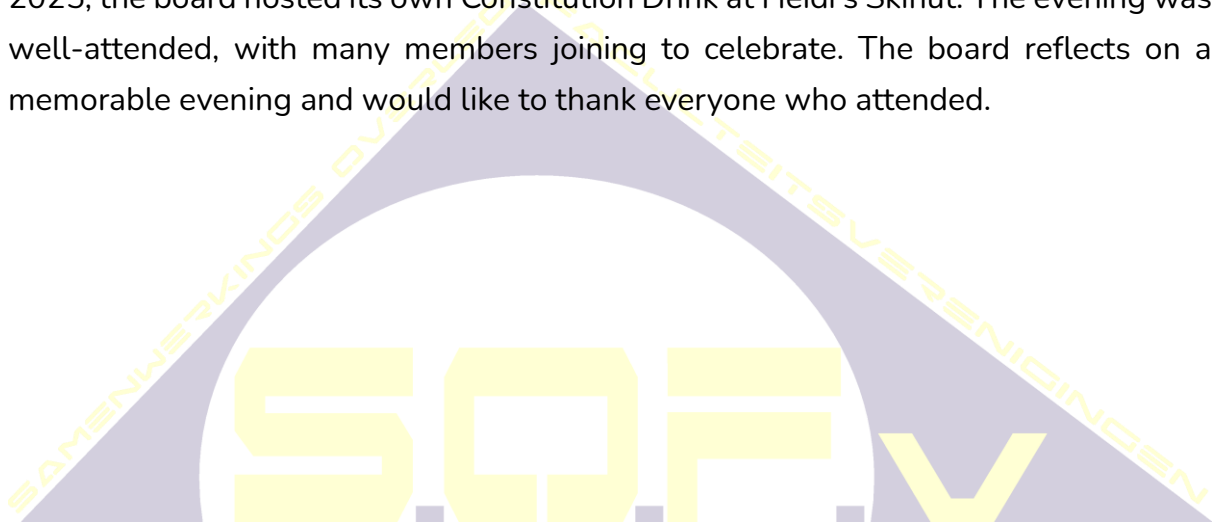
The XXXIVth board of SOFv has set up a task force regarding Jobteaser, a platform used by Career Service of the Radboud University, where companies can share vacancies for students. This raised concerns regarding competition with vacancies shared by member organisations. With this task force, adjustments in the way Jobteaser is configured were investigated to make it more advantageous for member organisations.

The initiative for this task force was continued by the XXXVth board of SOFv. After extensive consultation, Career Service demanded that the initiative to join this task force be shifted to member organisations, thereby making sure all organisations in the task force were highly motivated. Next to this, the first meeting of this task force would mainly consist of an explanatory meeting where Jobteaser and all previously made adjustments would be explained. During the gma of 12 December 2025, an announcement regarding Jobteaser was given, in which this demand was explained. In total, only three organisations have responded to this demand.

Following this low response, it was addressed during the Faculty Umbrella Meeting to discuss how this attendance could be increased. It was mainly suggested that member organisations do not know what Jobteaser entails and therefore did not respond to the announcement given during the gma. After this, Career Service was invited to the gma of 4 February 2026, but was not available to attend and emphasised their demand for shifting the initiative to member organisations. Internal consultation with Career Service has taken place to find a solution on how to make this task force work. The XXXVth board aims to give an update on this during the gma of 25 March 2026.

10 5.6 Constitution Drinks

The XXXVth board looks back on a successful Constitution Drink season, during which the connection with the members was further strengthened. On 2 December 2025, the board hosted its own Constitution Drink at Heidi's Skihut. The evening was well-attended, with many members joining to celebrate. The board reflects on a memorable evening and would like to thank everyone who attended.



6. University Student Council and advocacy

6.1 Points of interest this year

6.1.1 USC and advocacy

5 The Political Chairs are both active in the three committees within the University Student Council (USC). Each committee focuses on the points stated in the name of the committee. These three committees are FVIP (Financiën, Vastgoed, ICT en Personeelszaken; EN: Finance, Real Estate/Facilities, ICT and Personnel), OOS (Onderwijs, Onderzoek en Studenten; EN: Education, Research and Students), and SBB (Strategie, Bestuur en Beleid; EN: Strategy, Governance and Policy). The points
10 of interest for study organisations that the Political Chairs are working on will be discussed below.

6.1.2 Radboud Green Certificate

15 Last year, the Radboud Green Certificate was introduced. With this certificate, organisations can fill in a questionnaire to explain what they do on behalf of sustainability within their organisation. After they fill this in, they receive a score. With this score, organisations can show their members and partners to what extent they are working on sustainability. Participation is fully voluntary. Last year, the certificate was well-received, and a lot of feedback was collected. This feedback was implemented in the revised version. The Political Chair is working on the Radboud
20 Green Certificate, together with another USC member and the Radboud Green Office. The Political Chair is now busy creating a committee that will review the applications. Organisations can apply for the Radboud Green Certificate from 25 March 2026 until 22 April 2026.

6.1.3 Strategy

25 This year, the Strategy of Radboud University played a significant role within the USC. The Strategy articulates the vision of the Executive Board and outlines the direction in which it intends to guide the University and its leadership. During the initial cycle in which the Strategy was presented, it was rejected. Consequently, the Executive Board was required to revise specific sections. The two principal concerns
30 raised related to the use of corporate language and the Executive Board's approach to artificial intelligence. In particular, artificial intelligence appeared to be presented as a given development, rather than as a complex and multifaceted issue that warrants critical consideration and careful evaluation of its various potential

applications. The Executive Board took this criticism into account and revised the relevant sections accordingly. The amended Strategy was subsequently approved.

6.1.4 Campus plan

5 Campus Plan 2026 derives from the University's Strategy and outlines the future development of campus buildings, particularly considering recent budget cuts. The guiding slogan of the plan is "More campus, fewer meters". The main point of this plan is the centralisation of campus activities around a core triangle formed by the Erasmus Building, the Elinor Ostrom Building, and the University Library. These three buildings are intended to become the heart of the campus. Services and administrative offices will increasingly be centralised in the Erasmus Building. As this building requires renovation, departments located on floors undergoing refurbishment will be temporarily relocated to Thomas van Aquinostraat 1. In the longer term, this location is expected to be repurposed as student housing.

15 Similarly, the Spinoza Building is likely to be converted into student housing, in collaboration with SSHN. Classroom scheduling will be optimised to reduce the number of unused rooms. The Political Chairs have indicated that this measure may have unintended consequences for student organisations and these concerns will be taken into consideration during implementation. The Campus Plan 2026 does not specifically address faculty organisations and organisation rooms, as these fall under faculty-level responsibility. However, there is a possibility that organisation rooms currently located in the Erasmus Building may be relocated to the ground, first, or second floor due to increased pedestrian traffic in these areas. According to the Political Chairs, this development could positively enhance the visibility and accessibility of student organisations within the Erasmus Building.

6.1.5 Assessment Committee

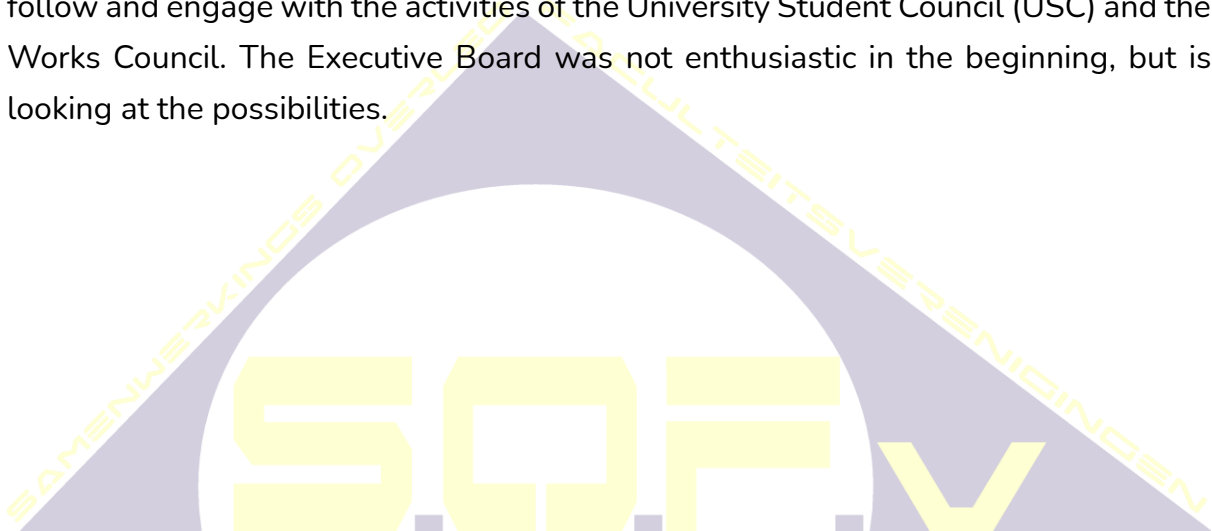
25 This year, both Political Chairs were part of the Assessment Committee regarding board months, as there was a mandatory assessment for all student organisations. Both Political Chairs did not assess study organisations due to conflict of interest. When assessing student organisations, it became clear that this method was not transparent and did not have enough guidelines. Thus, a select group of members from the USC are working on fully revising the way board months are allocated. Both Political Chairs are part of this group. The aim is to create a formula that can be altered to fit special circumstances and external factors. Given the complexity of the issue and the need to ensure a fair and transparent system, this process will likely take several months, if not years, to complete.

6.1.6 Budget

The Budget outlines the University's financial position and provides insight into the financial decisions being made. It is based on the Policy Letter 2026, which was voted in by the University Joint Assembly (UGV) in the previous academic year. For students, it is particularly important to note that the University remains committed to preserving the wide variety of its study programmes and safeguarding their quality to the greatest extent possible.

6.1.7 Livestream

An initiative from the USC is the possibility of a livestream of the OVGV (the joint meeting of the Student Council, the Works Council, and the Executive Board). This initiative was proposed by a fellow member of the V.O.S. party. The goal of the initiative is to increase transparency and make it easier for both students and staff to follow and engage with the activities of the University Student Council (USC) and the Works Council. The Executive Board was not enthusiastic in the beginning, but is looking at the possibilities.



7. Verenigd Onder Studentenbelang (V.O.S.)

Since last year, the Political Chairs do not have an automatic seat in the University Student Council (USC). This meant that Verenigd Onder Studentenbelang (V.O.S.) and therefore SOFv's Political Chairs had to campaign to get SOFv's Political Chairs in the USC. SOFv is, like the other umbrella organisations, a member of the student party V.O.S., which is there to represent active student life. Therefore, to get a seat in the USC, the Political Chairs were on the candidate list. The campaign went really well, and V.O.S. received the majority of the votes, with eight out of fourteen seats in the USC. This means that the Political Chair, Lóa Driessen, and the Vice-Political Chair, Nadja Mohn, both have a seat in the USC and are able to represent SOFv this year.

As with any party, there are party meetings (NL: fractieoverleg) with V.O.S.. The Political Chair is the party leader (NL: fractievoorzitter) and leads those meetings. In these meetings, the documents in the cycle and other relevant topics for the party and active student life are discussed. Topics that came up outside of the existing USC cycles in the past half year were the introduction week, additional facilities on campus and training sessions for board members. These points will be further discussed throughout the second semester.

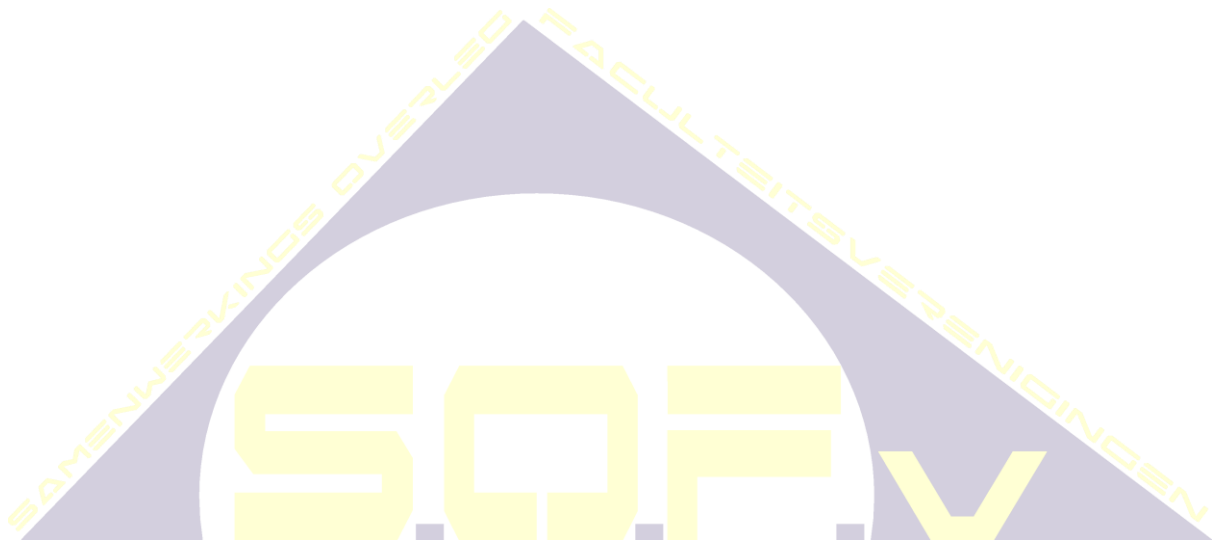
Apart from this, V.O.S. came to the gma on 12 December 2025 to explain more about the party and their focus points and achievements. They also asked for the input of members of SOFv, NSSR, CODC and CSN for their party programme committee. This feedback is taken into account when making the party programme for 2026. If the member organisations of SOFv have any more input on university policy or for the party programme, they can always contact V.O.S. or one of the Political Chairs.

The elections are coming up, from 18 until 22 May 2026, students can vote for the USC elections. The candidate Political Chair and candidate Vice-Political Chair from the XXXVIth board of SOFv will be on the list of V.O.S. during the elections. Hopefully, they can count on your votes, so the Political Chairs can represent your interests again next year.

7.1 Two Political Chairs

The structure of having both a Political Chair and a Vice-Political Chair is relatively new, making it uncertain how it would function in practice. However, this combination has proven to be highly effective. It is beneficial to collaborate closely and discuss matters together.

5 The Political Chairs can divide tasks and topics, allowing even more to be done in representing active students within the USC. For instance, they each take responsibility for different documents, initiatives and contact persons, while some responsibilities overlap. If they wish to do so, they can both give their input on the same policy documents. Having two Political Chairs brings a broader perspective to discussions. It also allows for mutual support, as they can exchange ideas and delegate tasks when one has a busier period. In summary, having two Political Chairs within SOFv enhances the representation of study organisations within the USC and has proven to be a valuable addition.



Epilogue

Dear reader,

5 The XXXVth board hopes that this Semi-Annual Report has presented a clear picture of the policy it has pursued during the first half of this board year and the plans for the upcoming months. The board would love to hear new ideas, input or questions for the board of SOFv at the Semi-Annual gma. Furthermore, you can always text one of the board members, stop by at the SOFvice or contact SOFv via info@sofv.nl.

10 Finally, the XXXVth board would like to emphasise how much they have enjoyed the past half year with all its members. The board loved getting to know all of you during the Constitution Drinks season, Room Visits and all other activities. It has been an amazing first half-year, and the board cannot wait to see what the second half has to bring. The XXXVth board would like to thank the boards of member organisations for their critical and active attitude during gmas and the sociability during activities. The board wishes everyone good luck with the rest of their board year.

15 Sincerely,

The XXXVth board of SOFv,

20	Revi Siegers	Chair
	Maureen Havekes	Secretary
	Zuzanna Miller	Treasurer
	Lóa Driessen	Political Chair
	Nadja Mohn	Vice-Political Chair