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 **Facultaire Studentenraad**

Dear students,

On the 19 October, we presented our policy plan for this year. We are very proud of it. For the first time ever, an article about a Faculty Student Council policy plan was published on the Folia website. You may have seen a black, spray-painted booklet lying around: that is the physical form of our policy plan. You can also find it on our website: www.studentenraad.nl/fnwi. Please read it!

In our plan, we write how important it is that student representation exists, because that's the way for students to have their opinions heard. This month, you will also have another chance to get your opinion heard: starting on 23 October, there will be a consultation on the recommendations made by the Democratisation and Decentralisation (D&D) committee.

Their recommendations about the way the UvA is governed were published in a report which you can find on their website: www.commissiedd.nl. We all get to vote on what we think of these recommendations and it's important that everyone does, so please spread the word! If you want to help with the campaign, send an email to the Faculty Student Council or visit our office (B0.112). If you want to get regular updates, you can like the consultation Facebook page: facebook.com/referendumDD.

Yours sincerely,

The Faculty Student Council

More information? Please visit room B0.112, send an email to fnwi@studentenraad.nl or go to studentenraad.nl/fnwi

BetaBreak: Provocative insights with your sandwich

With the aim to connect the different science disciplines housed at Science Park 904, a group of students started the BetaBreak back in 2011.

Five years on, current committee member Kris Kok (Master's student Physics and Astronomy) says the overall aim hasn't changed: 'To put a spotlight on the interfaces of the different sciences, linked to current issues in society.' Fellow committee member and acting chair Evita Verheijden (idem) adds: 'And it's a great opportunity

to show what's going on at all the institutions and start-ups within the Science Park community.'

Approaching societal affairs from a scientific perspective leads to provocative insights, they say. 'Take for example our recent edition on agriculture: is small scale farming really better than intensive agriculture?' says Evita.

Accessibility is one of the strengths of the BetaBreak she adds: 'You come to get a sandwich, you stay to learn something.'

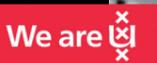


BetaBreak: 9 November, *Big Data, the next Big Brother?* 12:00-13:00, central hall SP 904, www.betabreak.nl



Science Master's Event

10 november 2016 | 18:00 - 21:00
uva.nl/science-mastersevent



Don't forget to vote!

EVENTS

Wednesday 9 November, 12:00-13:00, **BetaBreak**, in central hall SP904

Wednesday 16 November, 16:00-21:00, **Computer Science event**, BackToBasic-event.nl

Monday 28 November, 17:00, **Bètaborrel** in Brainwave

For all events, check student.uva.nl

Are you the Faculty of Science's new student assessor?

At the end 2016 Kris Kok will complete his one-year tenure as student assessor at the Faculty of Science. This means that we are looking for a new student to take on this interesting role as liaison between the Faculty's student population, representative bodies and management.

Kok: 'As student assessor you provide all parties with information and advice. You can bring in your own topics and you ensure the student perspective is represented from the early stages of decision making and onwards. What's exciting about this role is that you learn to operate at differ-

ent levels and have a real influence on the decision making process in the Faculty.'

Interested in this unique opportunity? Please email your CV with motivation to fnwi@studentenraad.nl.