Dear Executive Board,

The General Assemblée (hereafter: GV) has read the Framework Letter 2022 and has decided to consent with a part of the main guidelines. This partial consent has been discussed in the conference with the board (hereafter: GOV). The GV agreed that the process of budgeting will continue with the assurance of the board that those guidelines that have not been brought to its full frame due to insufficient information, will be presented for consent in the Fall with the Budget 2022.

With the exception of the pricing for Student Services the Allocation Model can stand consented. Student Services has over the years been lagging behind on proper support to student wellbeing on campus.

The NPO is one other main guideline of the Framework Letter 2022 and the GV decided that the information was insufficient to give its consent. In the meantime additional documentation has been provided and the GV is considering how this affects its earlier decision and will respond with a separate letter.

Not a main guideline to 2022, but an important part of the institutional plan 2021-2026 is to provide permanent jobs and push back the number of flexible positions at the UvA. The collective labour agreement (hereafter: CAO) will push on this issue but the GV would like to extend this to Teacher 3 and 4. This extension of the target group aside the GV understands that the framework to support this job security financially is to come first from the NPO and the framework is set up subsequently to expect the macro framework to come through to take over the backing of the staff growth; were
the macro framework not immediately released by the government the UvA will tie the
dip over with its own reserves. The GV understands that the likelihood that this will be
needed is small, but does advise to set a maximum to how much the UvA will use the
reserves for this purpose and would like to see the considerations for that maximum.

The GV appreciates the effort to make an English translation of the Framework
Letter, but would like to remind the CvB of the fact that the UvA is a bilingual
university and such translation effort should be standard and not only upon request.
Another note on the text concerns the funding factor (p. 11-12) where it seems the
review occurs only at the change from one institutional plan to another, which is not the
case because as part of the allocation model it is reviewed every year and incidentally
adjusted.

The GV is interested to see the communication policy in terms of a service. Is there
an office or department that is accountable for the quality-of-service messages, easy
access to much needed information for student and personnel. Is there a service level
agreement to the quality of such support and service communication?

The GV would like to schedule a meeting coming Fall to discuss the IT portfolio
and the policy for the use of IT at the UvA before the IT investments are presented in
the Budget 2022.

Sincerely,

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