



Report: Quad 2

Academic Year 2025-2026

The 13th EUCSA Board

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Introduction

Dear tigers,

This is the official report of Quad 2, in which we reflect on our second quad as the 13th board of EUCSA. Similar to the reports of the preceding board, this one will include an evaluation of the performance of the board and the committees, as well as the events that were held in this quad. This report is a way for us to be completely transparent with our members and show how we aim to improve throughout the year. We always appreciate feedback, and your suggestions and comments are always welcome. You can reach out to us either via email (eucsaboard@gmail.com), or in the anonymous feedback form on our [website](#).

The **EUCSA Board** of the academic year 2025/2026 consists of the following members:

- **Chair:** Boyan Blagoev
- **Secretary Vice Chair:** Ivar Bakermans
- **Treasurer:** Anna van Dijk
- **Committee Affairs Officer:** Nina Wilzcak
- **Committee Affairs Officer:** Sophia Kuster
- **Committee Affairs Officer:** Vera Klein Gebbink

As a board, we have and will continue to plan numerous events and services that contribute to the overall functioning of the association. Nonetheless, the majority of events facilitating social opportunities are organized and executed by the committees and/or teams of the association. You can find the assessment of committee events and performance from our Committee Affairs Officers below.

Board Assessment

General Assessment and Board Initiatives

For us Quad 2 started off with the planning of the EUCSA weekend and other Board events, which will be discussed later. After those went smoothly, our work mainly consisted of long term planning including initiatives such as updates on the website, which now includes a more streamlined overview of regularly occurring events and official documents, and new approaches to the current membership system of the association, which lead to fruitful discussions with EUC management, further discussed below.

Before the Winter break we also managed to reflect on our Board work and the past 2 Quads, which sets us up for a continuing improvement of our internal structure for the upcoming year.

SAAC Collaboration

SAAC and EUCSA have maintained regular communication and cooperation in Quad 2. We have collaborated on two main projects, ACT and Study Groups. ACT was incorporated into our Quad 2 GA, which was beneficial towards both cementing and demonstrating our interconnectedness with SAAC and the opportunity for expanding mutual collaboration. Further meetings and events are planned in the upcoming quad to foster collaboration between SAAC and EUCSA.

EUC Relationship

Similar to Quad 1, biweekly meetings were arranged between Boyan, the Chair of EUCSA, and EUC's student life officer, Roel. These meetings were extremely useful to facilitate communication between EUC and our association. We were also able to meet with the Management Team, consisting of Kees, Matthew and Roel, to discuss the health of the association and past events. The meeting was very productive and they expressed their gratitude for the association's performance in the first quad.

While our renewed push to include EUCSA memberships in the tuition fee proved hardly feasible, the Management Team was very forthcoming and opened up

the way to a potential increase of the yearly subsidy for the association. Given the decreasing budget, mainly due to taxes and rising inflation, this would stabilize the financial health of EUCSA.

The Management Team also confirmed that the members of the EUCSA Board, as well as the SAAC Board for that matter, will from this year on, receive 5 ECs for their work during the year, which is vital in compensating for a reduced course load and making the positions even more attractive. This has been the goal and endeavor of many past Boards and we are extremely proud that this change has finally been implemented. We want to express our earnest gratitude to the Management Team, who stepped up for us and helped make the Board ECs reality.

Furthermore, EUC contributed financially to this year's Christmas market, assuring the Christmas spirit fills the halls, PBL rooms and the hearts of the students.

EUCSA and Management mutually agreed to hold further meetings in order to maintain a close relationship, also regarding the potential for an increased subsidy.

Further, we received positive feedback from Kees and Matthew, who were representing Management in this year's ACT, and they are showing interest and engagement in the proposals that were discussed.

Assessment of Board Events

EUCSA Weekend

This year's EUCSA weekend was overall a big success. The Board decided to keep the same location as last year, as the Weekend is mostly targeted to First-years, who will not experience the repeat from last year. Due to the effective promotion and EUCSA-spirit we have fostered this year, we sold out! A thank you to the collaboration with Milestone, is in place, as they helped subsidize a meaningful part of the tickets.

From the location, which was beautifully set in the forest of Drenthe, to the parties and events, everything went very smoothly. We had a lot of fun, great food and lovely company and received almost exclusively great feedback from the attendees. The decision to keep the location for next year is up to the 14th Board, but we have not experienced any negatives of the repeat.

Social Drinks

Due to the workload the Board experienced between planning the Weekend and Frosty Fundraising and the timing close to the exam period, we made the decision not to host Social Drinks this quad, but we will be back stronger than ever in Quad 3.

Quad 2 GA

The attendance at our General Assembly in quad 2 was once again high and we used the opportunity to update members on our plans for the upcoming weeks and months. We unofficially voted on a EUCSA Mascot, which was almost unanimously past, something everybody will hear about shortly. ACT also took place during the GA, which was a success. Management came out and listened carefully to the proposals.

Frosty Fundraising

For the first time the Board made the decision to combine the Winter Festivities and Giving Week. This became a big collaboration with Charity Co to raise money for the Red Cross. During the whole week events were hosted to raise as much money, accompanied with the highly anticipated Board Meter, where we did challenges that upped the stakes of the week. The initial goal of one thousand euros was already passed after the Bake Sale and Vintage Merch Sale, which left no choice but to up the goal to fifteen hundred euros. Although this seemed to be impossible, we also hit that goal after the Christmas market and the Sinterklaas Shoes. We want to thank everyone that donated and participated in this amazing week. And recommend the 14th Board to add this Week as one of EUCSA's many great traditions.

Financial Overview

Financial assessments & Updates

Despite occasional shortcomings, we have transitioned smoothly into the new fiscal year, and quad 2 events have gone ahead and according to plan. Financial health of the organization is going well, with both committees having balanced costs and no large unaccounted-for costs. While the additional task of submitting taxes has been slightly stressful, the tax rebate has provided some new income that will be reallocated. In other forms of income, N&A is continuing to search for partnerships and collaborations.

We are in discussions with management regarding subsidy and membership costs, but there are no set-in-stone plans yet. Overall, the financial health of the organization is well!

Committee Feedback

Progress of Nina's Committees

Accessibility Co

Despite a slow start into this quad, due to limited capacity of its members, the Accessibility Committee successfully hosted a PowerPoint night, welcoming anyone to talk about whatever their heart desires - a secret passion, their biggest fear - allowing an open space for students to come together and forget about assignments for a little while.

Moreover, the committee joined the christmas market with a very popular 'seasonal depression' stand, raising awareness on the topic while giving out some comforting hot chocolate. The stand was used as promotion for their Powerpoint night, which worked very well and contributed to the success of the event.

Looking forward, Accessibility Co is excited to host the infamous blindfolded dinner party and has very promising ideas for future events.

Charity Co

In the last two months Charity Co showed high motivation and engagement, having organised multiple stands ranging from the typical bake sale to a successful foodbank. The bake sale in October, sold out and all the money went to Pink Ribbon Nederland, in honour of Breast Cancer Awareness Month and they received many food donations for the local foodbank 'Elly's Place'.

Additionally, they also helped organize Frosty Fundraising Week in collaboration with the EUCSA Board. They were very open to taking shifts for the donation stand, hosted a christmas cookie bakesale and chose the charity for this week: The red cross. Despite communication being difficult at times due to the size of the event and the collaboration with Sustainability Co for a flea market during the Christmas market being complicated, the whole week was a complete success which Charity Co contributed to.

In Quad 3, Charity Co is excited for their traditional valentine's event, featuring roses and other cute ideas like cookies and cards, with other events being in the making.

Dance Co

The Dance Committee was very busy this Quad, hosting two open trainings given by their own members in Jazz Dance and Commercial as well as a Contemporary workshop hosted by an external Choreographer and teacher from EUR, which were all successful events allowing students of all dance backgrounds to move their bodies and let loose a little.

Furthermore, the Committee is extremely motivated and on schedule for the UCSRN Dance team prep, having hosted auditions in Quad 2, so that the chosen team of 10 dancers managed to fit in a few training sessions before the winter break.

Their main focus in Quad 3 will be on the UCSRN Team, finalising choreography and organizing practices but they are hoping to give some more open trainings.

Debate Co

Right off the bat, Debate Co organized the first event of Quad 2 in collaboration with MEDA - a panel discussion on public speaking - which turned out successful and encouraged an engaging discussion and open floor. They immediately continued their collab events, and organized a musical debate together with performance Co. Although both events received positive feedback and were successful, having two events back to back proved to be challenging. On top of this, they organized a third event on career prospects in the field of International Relations, which was especially well received. In December, they took part in the EUCSA Christmas market with a heated debate about which movie characters should go on a naughty or nice list. Last but not least, they hosted a debate club session in week 6 for the argumentative and powerful EUC community as a nice finish to a busy quad for Debate Co.

In Quad 3, Debate Co is hoping to secure some debate competitions with other Universities to which they have already reached out - especially in light of the UCSRN debate and MUN categories that are in collaboration with the other UC's. One exciting announcement is that they have their very own MUN simulation event planned, but would like to host the debate club more often and focus on this a little more.

Gala Co

The Gala Team successfully managed to secure some foundational pieces for the big event. After exploring different options, they finalized the venue which fit their vision perfectly, especially in terms of location and price. With this most essential task being completed, the Team is now turning their focus on other important matters

The individual teams will work on decorations, dj, venue and of course - the absolutely necessary promotion plan, which they will bring into full swing in Quad 3. All these small but important steps are being accounted for and the team is showing nice planning and motivation in making this Gala come to life.

Team Bonding has been difficult but with their chair returning from exchange in Quad 3, they are excited to finally meet outside of Gala duties and socialize.

MEDA

Next to the collaboration with Debate Co at the beginning of Quad 2 regarding public speaking, which was successful, MEDA has been putting work into sustaining long-term goals as well as short-term events. Among these, despite good organization the information session for ESSB and ESE had low turnout. Nonetheless their 'LAS how to present yourself' workshop received great feedback and the ICC visit showed a big turnout with even more positive feedback.

In the long-run the Master's Buddy Program is running and sign-ups have started. Whilst the website or 'Opportunity Hub', featuring centralized information especially regarding master program opportunities and internships has been on a hold, this project has not been forgotten and is being worked on.

Lastly, they have multiple events and workshops planned ranging from a psychology/global health information session to LinkedIn and CV workshops, showcasing their great enthusiasm and effort in opening up all possible career opportunities to EUC students.

Merch Co

Originally, Merch Co started off with a few internal struggles, having difficulties in organizing themselves, keeping motivation up and setting up deadlines. However, this improved throughout the quad and the classic EUC hoodie dropped with a new colour - burgundy - which was well received. Sales were not as high as expected, potentially due to an old merch sale the following week and too little promotion.

Overall, the drop went well though and they will hand out the hoodies at the beginning of Quad 3. In the future Merch Co is planning to collaborate on other drops such as ski merch, whilst brainstorming their own merch drops.

Sport Co

Compared to Quad 1, Sport Co has slowed down a little in Quad 2 facing natural problems such as less daylight and worse weather conditions which decrease motivation and attendance, as well as Erasmus Sport complicating the organisation

of volleyball trainings. Nonetheless, the coaches and captains are trying to keep things going and especially the basketball team is showing consistent motivation to train.

Next to regular trainings, they organized the bouldering Event together with N&A and Touching Grass Co, which was a great success with 20 people signing up despite the distance to the bouldering place. Their pingpong tournament went well, although they aim to improve promotion for similar events next quad.

Moreover in Quad 3, they have more matches scheduled and are brainstorming on other event ideas.

TEDx Team

The TEDx Team has been working in their internal teams on realizing this year's TEDx Event. Whilst the exact date still needs to be determined the event will be held at the beginning of Quad 4 and they are right on schedule with the planning, having chosen their speakers whom the speakers team will be practicing with, to ensure high quality talk. Performers' applications have been opened as well and the plan for quad 3 is mainly focused on the financial situation and getting as many sponsors as possible to help finance the event.

Additionally, the TEDxTeam has put themselves out there, doing a stand by the entrance to promote speaker application, as well as participating in the christmas market with a very cute stand where you could write messages and put them into christmas ornaments - this raised awareness and excitement for the TEDx Event.

Since they are a large team, the main challenge is creating the feeling of one cohesive team, which is further complicated by half of the members being on exchange. Nonetheless, the team has been managing their communication well, is motivated and is looking forward to the returning exchange students.

TouchingGrass Co

Enjoying the new budget that is now finally available to them, Touching Grass Co. has been working very well together and successfully organized two events: The

collaboration with Sport Co. for the Bouldering Event which everyone who attended enjoyed a lot, as well as their own yoga event. The yoga went perfectly, with the exact right amount of people signing up without the space being too crowded and receiving very positive feedback.

To kick off the new year, they are planning to organize a polar plunge and are brainstorming on other events for Quad 3, while leaving their main ideas such as park crawl, surfing/kayak renting and other outdoor activities for the better weather in Quad 4.

Progress of Sophia's Committees

Arts and Crafts Co

Arts and Crafts Co has been a very active this quad having collabs with Sus Co (Pottery making/painting), Touch grass (Ornament making) and EUC takes part (Boquent making). They had good turnout at all events and have many more events planned for both quad 3 and 4.

Exhibition Team

The Exhibition team had a collaboration with Writing and Journalism Co about ways students can access culture in Rotterdam. They have also planned out their mini mid year exhibition which is a collaborative event coming up soon! However, they have mostly been focused on planning the end of year exhibition.

Feminist Collective

Fem Co had a film screening this quad as well as a stand at the Christmas market. They have also kept a very active social media presence with the “Iconic Women of the Week” posts. Lastly they also collaborated with POC Co to raise awareness about femicide and emphasize intersectionality.

Film and Photography Co

This quad film and photo co had a Fantastic Mr. Fox movie screening collab with cultural cooking co which was well attended. They also attempted a photo walk event which did not work due to scheduling issues. Lastly they had a photo competition which had a lot of submissions which is an improvement from the previous attempts to have photography competitions.

People of Colour Collective

POC Co had an event at the christmas market creating christmas cards from around the world, they also had a collaborative film screening of Mississippi Masala with Fem co. However, they have been also very focused on planning for quad 3 and 4, they have been meeting with external groups in Rotterdam for collaboration as well as planning events for various cultural holidays in the upcoming quad.

Performance Co

Performance Co is in full swing with their production of footloose. They have had meetings with each of their teams (crew, cast, costumes) as well as regular dance and acting rehearsals. They also had social events for the footloose team such as a pub crawl. Lastly they helped in the collaboration between Wilde Theatre, Writing and Journalism Co and Perf co for a murder mystery play.

Queer Collective

Queer Co unfortunately did not have any events in this quad as they are a committee with 1 member, but they have plans to do potential collaborative events in the upcoming semester.

Sustainability Co

Sustainability Co had as previously stated a very successful collaborative pottery making with Arts and Crafts Co. They also had a recycled paper making event, the paper was then used at the christmas market to make christmas cards - yet another event. Lastly they had their first attempt at FLEUC which is the sus co led

flea market at EUC but due to misunderstanding of the nature of FLEUC it was not greatly successful.

Writing and Journalism Co

Writing and Journalism Co hosted a screen writing workshop with a guest professional screen writer and also had a collaborative event with Wilde Theatre and Performance Co to write a Murder Mystery play. Along with this they had writing lounge workshops to help build the writing community in EUC. Lastly, they took submissions for their first edition of their magazine and have started selling pre order tickets.

Progress of Vera's Committees

Cultural Cooking Co

Cultural Cooking Co organized two events in this quad, and the committee described these events as being really fun with great motivation and cohesion within the committee. The first event, the screening of Fantastic Mr. Fox in collaboration with Film & Photo Co, involved baking the cookies featured in the movie, had a high turnout, and was enjoyed by everyone. Their other event was a Pasta Night; although it had a slightly lower turnout, the feedback from those who attended was positive. For the Christmas market, they also baked cookies, which seemed appreciated by many people. For Quad 3, they are working towards organising a Cultural Night.

Games and Entertainment Co

Games and Entertainment Co has been doing very well as a committee, as although they have all been busy with personal commitments, still found the time to work on their events together. This quad, they hosted two events: a Dress to Impress Tournament and a Jeopardy Night. Both were successful, seeing high turnouts and receiving great feedback from everyone who showed up. The committee also helped out at the Christmas Market by setting up a game with Nerf guns and cups, which

people really seemed to enjoy. In quad 3, they are planning to organize a Brawl Stars Tournament, a Mario Kart-style tournament in collaboration with Bar Co, and two other collaborative events that are still being finalized.

Music Co

This year, Music Co has been focusing on reviving traditions, such as this quad's Tiny Desk Concert, which was organized two years ago. The concert in the EUC library was a great success with a high turnout; the artist Skyaa and her band performed beautifully, and it was enjoyed by both the EUC community and people from outside EUC. The committee describes their group cohesion as solid and is excited about how well the first-year students have integrated. This engagement is reflected in the strong first-year turnout at the Jam Sessions hosted in Lucia.

Looking ahead to the rest of the year, Music Co is planning events that involve other locations and activities, including a collaboration with the Erasmus Music Association. Although they are currently navigating the same venue difficulties that were experienced last year, the committee is excited for Quad 3 and 4.

N&A Board

The main focus of the N&A Board this quad was the Bouldering Event, which was organized in collaboration with Grass Touching Co and Sports Co. The event was a success, and they are looking into initiating a small, permanent bouldering community within EUC. The committee also contacted many businesses to see if they were interested in future collaborations. Overall, the committee's motivation has been doing great, especially at the beginning of the quad. While their enthusiasm is high, they believe they can improve their consistency and a more balanced and the distribution of tasks among members. For quad 3, they plan to continue contacting new businesses for further partnerships, as well as maintaining and strengthening their relationship with the bouldering company, and organizing a Business Fair in Lucia.

Party Co

For their second party, the “Get Into Character” Party, Party Co faced some difficulties regarding misjudgment in timing, and internally, the committee was not specifically satisfied with the results of the second party. However, they believe it was a good enough party externally considering the complexities involved and the people who attended seemed to have a good time, which is what matters. During the winter break, they installed new structures for collaboration and communication and so far, these changes have been truly helpful and efficient in planning the next party, the Ski Retro Party, which is organized in collaboration with the Ski Team. Party Co is also planning on organizing a beer pong tournament this year.

Podcast Co

Podcast Co successfully launched the podcast and published four episodes in Quad 2. They are happy with the results so far and have received almost always positive feedback, which is very reassuring. The committee enjoys everything they do, and working together has been smooth as they have gotten into a good flow of sharing the responsibilities for editing and publishing. For Quad 3, their main goal is to maintain their publishing rate of almost one episode every week, and while specific events are not yet set, their plans include doing more episodes with guests and covering serious topics, covering events like the ski trip, and collaborating more with other committees.

Ski Team

The Ski Team opened the ticket sale for the ski trip in the beginning of Quad 2. While they promoted the ski trip in several ways, which improved awareness and sales, they did not reach the numbers they wanted or needed. The ticket sales went much more slowly compared to the previous year, despite improved marketing, which indicates a need to reevaluate how many tickets should be preordered from Totally Snow. The difficulty with selling tickets influenced the motivation of the committee, but they expect it to improve in Quad 3 when they will see their work

come to life. The plans of the committee for Quad 3 include the pre-ski trip for marketing and organization, the Ski Retro Party in collaboration with Party Co, and the actual ski trip, which they are really excited for. The committee was supposed to create Ski Trip Merch in collaboration with Merch Co, but this is not happening anymore, mostly because of difficulties in the communication with Merch Co.

Travel Co

Travel Co did not organize an event during Quad 2. While there was a concrete plan for a Paris trip in May, this trip is now likely not happening because it involves too much work for the current level of committee motivation: in Quad 2, they had around three meetings, but attendance was inconsistent, and no meeting had everyone present. Also, communication and making progress were challenging, which resulted in too little progress to realize the initial plans for the year. For Quad 3, the committee is now looking into organizing smaller events within the Netherlands, such as a Carnaval trip, instead of the Paris trip.

UCSRN Team

The UCSRN Team is working on the promotion for major interUC events, including the Symposium, Spotlight, and the UCSRN Tournament. Internally, there have been difficulties with motivation, as it appears that most of the committee does not want to take the initiative or wants to be active. To address this, they are planning to have a meeting in the beginning of Quad 3 to discuss the situation and try to find a solution.

Yearbook Co

Yearbook Co is full of creative ideas and is on track with their schedule and this quad, they successfully completed their first series of yearbook photoshoots, which they enjoyed doing. In terms of group work, they reflect that communication has been a bit slow recently, which was expected, looking at the heavy workload many were experiencing. During Quad 3, the committee will continue with shooting their pictures, and they aim to have the yearbook almost finished at the end of the quad.

Progress of Anna's Committee

Bar Co

Bar Co made a big splash with their first event, supplying gluhwein and hot chocolate with Bailey's at our wonderful Winter Market. They've got big things coming up in Quad 3 and 4, so keep your eyes peeled for an awesome collaboration with Party Co and Games Co!

Intersectional Council and Advisory Board

We met with the Intersectional Council right at the beginning of Quad 2, mostly to discuss inclusivity and safety measures for the EUCSA weekend. On top of this we presented our (at that point still preliminary) plans for the Frosty Fundraising. Neither events had shortcomings in these fields, due to the consultation of the IC both in the meeting and online via text messages. We have also begun to discuss the Diversity Week, which for now is set in Quad 4. The IC also worked with the Board and SAAC towards a successful ACT.

As for the Advisory Board, we have contacted them about minor questions and the membership prices. This was very helpful and a dialogue which we want to continue in Quad 3 in order to discuss possible impactful reforms.

Quad 2 Overview

Week 1:

- Panel Discussion Public Speaking by Debate Co x MEDA
- Bake Sale by Charity Co x Feminist Collective
- Halloween Crafts by Arts & Crafts Co
- Jam Session by Music Co
- Dance Workshop by Dance Co
- Zine Making & Venting by Feminist Collective

Week 2:

- Musical Debate by Performance Co x Debate Co
- Dance Workshop by Dance Co
- UCSRN Dance Interest Drinks by Dance Co
- Fantastic Mr Fox Screening by Film & Photo Co x Cultural Cooking Co

Week 3:

- Debate Club by Debate Co
- Dress to Impress Tournament by Feminist Collective x Games & Entertainment Co
- Pottery Workshop by Sustainability Co x Arts & Crafts Co
- Jam Session by Music Co
- Painting Open Hours by Sustainability Co x Arts & Crafts Co
- EUCSA Weekend by EUCSA Board

Week 4:

- Ticket Drop Ski Trip by Ski Team
- Picture Days by Yearbook Co
- Dance Workshop by Dance Co

- ESE Master Info Session by MEDA
- Yoga Event by Touching Grass Co
- RomCom Screening by PoC Co x Feminist Collective
- Ping Pong Tournament by Sports Co

Week 5:

- FleaUC Clothing Collection by Sustainability Co
- Food Bank Collection by Charity Co
- Screenwriting Workshop by Writing & Journalism Co
- RSM Master Info Session by MEDA
- Picture Days by Yearbook Co
- Tiny Desk Concert by Music Co
- Pasta Night by Cultural Cooking Co

Week 6:

- Frosty Fundraising by EUCSA Board x Charity Co
 - Christmas Bake Sale
 - Vintage Merch Sale
 - Sinterklaas Shoes
 - Christmas Market
 - ACES Pubquiz
- Jeopardy Gameshow Night by Games & Entertainment Co
- Paper Making Workshop by Sustainability Co
- Get in Character Party by Party Co
- Jam Session by Music Co

Week 7:

- General Assembly by EUCSA Board

- Assembly for Change and Transformation by EUCSA Board x SAAC
- Study Groups by EUCSA Board x SAAC
- Powerpoint Night by Accessibility Co