



Report: Quad 4

Academic Year 2025-2026

The 13th EUCSA Board

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Introduction

Dear tigers,

This is the official report of Quad 4, in which we reflect on our last quad as the 13th board of EUCSA. Similar to the previous Quad's report, 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 also includes 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 (euksaboard@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 Wilczak
- **Committee Affairs Officer:** Sophia Kuster
- **Committee Affairs Officer:** Vera Klein Gebbink

As a board, we have planned 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

Quad 4 has been extremely busy for the board. This quad revolved mostly around the transition into the new Board and wrapping up the year with most bodies we work with (ex: AC, IC, SAAC and EUC).

While we sometimes felt quite exhausted, we ended up completing all our objectives at a good pace, ending the year on a wonderful note! However, due to the sheer amount of tasks, there was little time to reflect on our overall board work. Still, we made sure to spend time outside of Board work to have fun, say our goodbyes to each other and end the year off together!

Transition with the new board also went quite smoothly, and we are confident in our successors!

SAAC Collaboration

No study groups were arranged in this quad. Meetings were held with SAAC mostly to wrap up the year and decide on the yearly adjustments to the cooperative agreements. This also included multiple discussions and meetings with MEDA. You can see all the new adjustments on the updated cooperative agreement.

We also set up the renewed Housing Platform, which is a great success with multiple listings. We also received thankful feedback from both First and Third year that could handle their housing situation in this manner.

Last but not least, we collaborated with SAAC on finalizing the 5 ECs now rewarded for both Board years. Mostly by aligning how we interpreted the assessment and helping each other out wherever needed.

EUC Relationship

We did not have an official meeting with the entire Management Team, but had many conversations with them during the Quad.

Our final interaction with management went extremely well, as we did our final presentation of the Board year (part of the 5 EC-assessment) and introduced them to the new Board.

We are grateful for the collaboration we had with management this year and are happy with the finalised project, namely the increased subsidy to decrease membership prices and the 5 ECs Boards now get for their work. It seems we have successfully strengthened our relationship with EUC, laying a solid foundation for next year.

Lastly, we want to congratulate Renate de Groot on her new position as Dean of Erasmus University College.

Assessment of Board Events

Election period

This year, we made some slight changes to the election period to stimulate candidacies and make the whole process more engaging, interactive and informative. We received mixed feedback from these changes, which will be forwarded to the next Board. There were also difficulties with the planning of Election Period and Midterms of multiple courses, which inevitably lowered attendance at events.

Meet the Candidates

Our first major election period event was hosted in lecture Hall A. Last year we got positive feedback on the format, so we decided to keep the gameshow twist. Opening with a 'The Best Jumbo Snack-run', to stupid

costumes - in 20 rounds, the candidates had to show a new side of themselves, answer some fun questions and do challenges.

EUCSA Board Debates

This is one of the most well-known events of the election period. The debates allow members to see the candidates tested and put under pressure before voting. Candidates came up two at a time and were asked to answer some challenging questions there to put them on the spot and test their ability to hold up under pressure. They were asked about their campaigns, skill sets, and overall ability and motivation to be a Board member. Audience members could also ask questions. Although the Debates gave some valuable insights, we wish it was shorter and a little more spicy; something for the next Board to pick up. A special thank you to the former board members Davey, Eileen, Emily, and Marit for hosting our Debates!

EUCSA Election GA

The Election GA began with a lovely speech from Boyan, which was followed by closing statements from all the candidates. The voting was then opened and the members began clicking away. The Independent Body was present to count the votes accurately, and memberships were checked to ensure no non-members were voting. Once the votes were counted, each predecessor announced their successors. The 14th EUCSA board shall consist of:

Chair *Zahara Terlonge-Hansen;*

Secretary Vice-Chair *Terra Niwa;*

Treasurer *Nicolas Keller;*

Committee Affairs Officers *Alyssa Matz, Eloïse Le Bas, Hania Piotrowska.*

Congratulations to the 14th board!

CoBo

A tradition in many Dutch associations is to host a constitutional borrel (CoBo). We decided to put our own spin on it, and it turned out to be a night (not) to remember. It was incredibly rewarding and fun to see all the committees together and to talk to each one about the year and our shared experiences. We invited EUCSA committees, SAAC, former EUCSA boards, and Sister-UC boards to join us. The event featured items up for grabs, speeches, and committee awards that attendees could vote for. The 14th board assisted us, which was necessary. We highly recommend continuing this tradition to the next Board, with some slight alterations.

Financial Overview

Financial assessments & Updates

By far, this quad hosted more and more financially intense quads than before. Starting off with the Party Co Party, TEDx Conference, and Earth Fest, aforementioned events of the Election Period (and later ones of transition), Performance Co's "Footloose", CoBo, the annual Gala, The Exhibition, and much more.

These events, and the individuals organising them, did so in a fiscally responsible manner. No major over-budget expenditures were made, but final invoices and details are yet to be ironed out. Recommendations have been given to the incoming board regarding how to make these events more streamlined; many of the delays are not on the committee side, but regardless it is beneficial to have a clearly structured process.

The Audit and transitioning

During one of the last weekends of the quad, the audit was also conducted; a moment to run through all the association finances and evaluate in accordance with policy. This audit was conducted successfully and

passed at the Audit GA- please see attached to read the report and votes. As with every year, the current treasurer and certain members of the auditing team suggested conducting an additional check in the first half of next year to officially wrap up Anna's financial year; should this be confirmed, details will follow at a later point.

Additionally, Nick has now been accustomed to all the financial processes, and we have full faith in how he'll pick up the responsibilities.

Committee Feedback

Progress of Nina's Committees

Accessibility Co

The last Quad of the year was challenging for Accessibility Co. Despite very limited capacities - members being fully occupied with capstone and other tasks, Accessibility Co still hosted a crip camp screening, while leaving the realization of the Disability Studies 101 event for another time. As for now, none of its members are planning to stay in Accessibility Co, thus to ensure proper continuation, they prepared a detailed transition document for the new members.

Charity Co

This Quad was a little low in motivation for Charity Co, so the chair took on a lot of responsibility, but when communicating this with their Co, every member stepped in and took over some tasks which was nice to see. Unfortunately, the dog shelter was not able to accommodate them, so instead Charity Co poured their energy into the collaboration with Exhibition Team. Together they raised significant amounts of money through the auction with all proceeds going to the "Artists at Risk" organisation and the Shifa Clinic in South Lebanon.

Having less events to organise, the Co made use of the extra time with some internal bonding which also helped with the lower motivation. Altogether this Co has done an impressive job the past year, especially considering that almost all members are first years.

Dance Co

The moment that this Co has been preparing for since Quad 1 has finally arrived - the UCSRN tournament including the dance competition. The first two weeks were dedicated to perfecting the UCSRN dance, which paid off, when the team performed in front of hundreds of students. After this, they also organized a line dancing workshop in collaboration with Performance Co, which was a great success! The multifunctional was filled to its max capacity and all attendees enjoyed a fun break from studying and can now dance in sync to the infamous "Fake ID" song, which hopefully contributed to the hype of the Footloose musical.

To round off the year properly, Dance Co has managed multiple bonding events together with the UCSRN dance team, which sets a good tone for the future of Dance Co, with hopefully many new, motivated members.

Debate Co

Due to the event-heavy Quad 4, Debate Co chose to focus on only one event - their beloved Drunk debate. Whilst attendance was lower than the first time when this event was hosted, the overall feedback was positive and Debate Co was happy with the turnout given the short-notice change of dates and some internal organizational issues. Overall, Debate Co managed to schedule the necessary meetings to discuss important things and has been keeping the motivation up during the last stretch of the year.

Gala Team

The first weeks of this Quad were very intense for the Gala Team - they finalized the photographer, decorations and late bird tickets. This was probably a historic moment for the Gala Team, with late bird tickets selling out within 10 seconds! This also meant that the Gala was fully sold out this year and everyone who came had a blast. The evening was filled with colourful dresses, (matching the theme of Secret Garden), laughter, dancing and many amazing memories to finish off the year. The team did a great job and their hard work, planning since the summer and all the endless meetings resulted in a successful Gala that everyone loved.

MEDA

This Quad MEDA set out to improve their internal communication which they managed to do, especially as they were more present at EUC. This was reflected in the multitude of events which they pulled off and received very positive feedback for. The events covered different departments, with two events for the social and behavioural sciences, a lab tour for the life sciences department and a few interdisciplinary workshops such as the CV & cover workshop. Next to this they organized several collaborative events, such as “Migration, First Hand” together with Amnesty.

There were also structural changes, as MEDA is now officially not a collaborative project between SAAC and EUCSA anymore, but acts solely as a committee under EUCSA. Nonetheless, they strive to continue with their high-quality events in the future and are focusing on a smooth transition, despite many of its members graduating.

Merch Co

Merch Co realised their plans for a T-Shirt drop - their design was very popular and received many compliments. In the end they sold the amount that they had hoped for, thus running into no budget issues and were able to stick to the time plan. This also meant that the Shirts arrived on time and were all picked up before the break - a difficult feat, but they successfully managed to do so! Internally, the committee has been stepping up more in the last quad and especially their new treasurer Lisa has been on top of it since the moment she took over this position.

Sport Co

Sport Co proved their dedication was worth it, when EUC won the UCSRN tournament! Many of our sport teams placed first, second or third showcasing their effort and hard work from the weekly trainings. After USRN the general engagement decreased with less participants and fewer matches but weekly sessions were still taking place and got everyone moving outside of University life.

Next to the weekly events they also organized various independent events such as the pool tournament, foosball competition and beach volleyball activity in Kralingse which received positive feedback and had good turnout.

Overall, the new structure of having team captains as part of the committee worked very well, allowing smoother organization, yet it does mean that the captains are trusted to work independently and efficiently, which if not done could cause issues in the future.

TEDx Team

This is another Committee that has been looking forward to the arrival of Quad 4, as it finally means it is TEDx time! The motivation and energy was high, keeping things fun while taking care of the last organizational tasks before the big day. The event itself went as good as it could have with no hiccups - only inspiring talks from speakers across the world, creative performances and good socializing. The Team this year truly outdid themselves with speakers themselves complimenting the organization, which was so good that they would have not guessed that it was organized by students - what a compliment!

But the team did not stop after the event and immediately put their efforts into finding a new TEDx team for next year, by hosting social drinks and staying engaged on social media. This is a reflection of the positive experience every member in the Co has had which they want to spread to others and ensure TEDx stays alive and well.

Touching Grass Co

As expected this Quad was very busy for our TouchingGrass Committee, as they finally got to make good use of the better weather. They started the quad off with a no-phone beach trip on one of the first hot days - what luck! And the good weather streak kept going, as their highly anticipated kayaking event called for sunscreen and a well-deserved reconnection with nature. Not only was the event fully sold out but everyone who managed to secure a spot had a great time.

The Co also took part in different collaborations such as Earth Fest and Diversity day with their popular yoga session lead by our very own student, as well as a collaboration with Games Co on the beerball event in Kralingse. Altogether the Co successfully managed to achieve all the goals they had set for themselves at the start of the year, which is especially impressive given that this is a revived committee which did not exist last year and thus organized everything from scratch.

Progress of Sophia's Committees

Arts and Crafts Co

Arts and Crafts Co had great collaborative events this quad. They hosted a creative mending workshop as part of Earth Fest and worked with the EUC engaged citizens program to host a community art event.

Exhibition Team

The exhibition team had their end of year exhibition this quad. It was highly successful with great turnout and great events planned throughout the day. They raised a very impressive sum for charities from the art auction and had a great amount of art displayed.

Feminist Collective

Fem co remained vigilant in their social media presence throughout this quad and is working internally on a potential new structure for next year. They also participated in diversity in collaboration with other committees which had a lot of nice events and ended the day with a fundraising spoken word event which was very successful.

Film and Photography Co

Film and photography co brought back all their classic events to end off the year they had a film screening in collaboration with cultural cooking co which was very cute. As well as a photo walk in collaboration with PHOS and a photo competition.

People of Colour Collective

PoC co collaborated with other committees to plan diversity day which planned various activities throughout the day and helped raise money for a charity. Apart from this they were busy planning events for next year.

Performance Co

Performance Co had their end of year musical Footloose this quad. The event was highly successful with great turnout in terms of audience members and also a great production. All the various elements that had been working together over the year came together very nicely for the final show.

Queer Collective

Queer Co was able to collaborate with other committees this quad in planning diversity day. They helped plan the events happening throughout the day and raise money for a charity.

Sustainability Co

Sus co planned and executed their very successful earth fest. This included collaborations with other committees for some events but mostly fell onto sus co to plan. The day was very successful with great events and great turnout.

Writing and Journalism Co

Writing and journalism co worked with various other committees to plan the spoken word event during diversity day. Apart from this they finalized their second and final magazine of the year. Including creating, ordering and distributing the magazine. This all went very well and was a successful second magazine.

Progress of Vera's Committees

Cultural Cooking Co

Cultural Cooking Co was planning on doing a Mathilda Screening and Cooking collaboration with Film & Photo Co. However, this event got cancelled on the day itself because of low ticket sales, miscommunication between the two committees about the organization, and the Open Mic Fundraiser Night happening at the same time.

Games and Entertainment Co

Games and Entertainment Co has been doing well again this Quad. They organized a Casino Night, where many people showed up, and a lot of effort was put into this event. They also organized a second Bierball Tournament in collaboration with Grass Touching Co and the ECP at Kralingse Plas, which also had high attendance, so both events were considered a success.

Music Co

During this Quad, Music Co contributed to Earth Fest, organized by Sustainability Co, by playing music in the Lucia basement at their event. They also performed at the exhibition. The committee was planning on organizing one more event during Quad 4, but this did not end up happening.

N&A Board

The N&A Board organized the EUC Student Business Fair, which included more than five student businesses such as nails, soap, photography, and tattoos. It

was a very interesting event with a lot of potential so the committee is looking into ways to increase attendance and possibly organize the event earlier next year. Additionally, there have been discussions about how the role of the N&A Board could be improved next year, including what to focus on when trying to get deals and how to represent EUC.

Party Co

Party Co experienced some internal disagreement about which venue to choose for the End of Year Party. In the end, they decided to organize the party at the same venue as in Quad 3, which was Superdisco. As this final decision was made very late, promotion was done last-minute, but despite this, they sold many tickets, and people really enjoyed the party.

Podcast Co

Podcast Co aimed to create a second part of the episode about the EUCSA Board, but they did not end up recording this episode or producing another podcast during this Quad.

Ski Team

For the Ski Team, Quad 4 was focused on reflecting on the ski trip. As the ski trip already took place during the spring break, they did not organise additional activities during this Quad.

Travel Co

Travel Co organized their first event this Quad: a canoeing activity with lunch in collaboration with Grass Touching Co. This event was a great success, as it sold out, the weather was good, and they received positive feedback from the people who came to the event.

UCSRN Team

The UCSRN Team focused on promoting the UCSRN Tournament, which turned out very well. EUC won the tournament, and the overall energy was amazing, even other University Colleges highlighted that EUC provided the best support for their participants, with many people attending and showing support, and having an iconic mascot.

Yearbook Co

Yearbook Co opened the pre-order sale of the yearbooks at the start of Quad 4, and after the yearbooks arrived, opened another additional sale of 20 copies. With financial support from management, the price of the yearbook was lower than last year, and sales went well. After the yearbooks arrived, almost everyone picked up their yearbook, which was an improvement compared to last year, and overall feedback about the yearbook was very positive. One issue was that three committees were missing from the yearbook due to a problem with the board drive where uploaded pictures did not come through. This was solved by creating new pages for the missing committees, which could be printed and added to the yearbooks by these committees.

Progress of Anna's Committee

Bar Co

Bar Co had quite the quiet quad, with the vast majority of committee members being preoccupied with Capstone and wrapping up their final year here at EUC. Given the circumstances, the lack of activity was explainable. Plans to do a floor crawl had been made earlier in the Quad, but unfortunately nothing came to fruition. However, despite a lack of true events this quad, there have been many discussions about potential events for next year, so look out!

Quad 4 Overview

Week 1:

- Recovering from Ski Trip!

Week 2:

- Crip Camp Screening by Accessibility Co
- Beach Trip by Touching Grass Co
- UCSRN Tournament by UCSRN
- Social Drinks by Party Co x Sports Co

Week 3:

- Caviardage Event by Writing & Journalism Co
- TEDx Conference by TEDx Team
- Casino Night by Games & Entertainment Co
- Meet the Candidates by EUCSA Board
- Line Dancing Workshop by Dance Co x Performance Co
- Yearbook Drop by Yearbook Co

Week 4:

- Lucia Business Fair by N&A Board
- Psychology Information Session by MEDA
- Earth Fest by Sustainability Co
 - Moringing Yoga
 - Lunch
 - Creative Mending
 - Workshop Positionality
 - Short Films Screening
 - Zine Making
 - Live Music

- End of the Year Party by Party Co
- Election Debates by EUCSA Board
- 'Dear Stranger' Screening by Performance Co

Week 5:

- Effective Job Searching Workshop by MEDA
- Debate and Drinks by Debate Co
- Election General Assembly by EUCSA Board
- Fussball Tournament by Sports Co
- Kayak Trip by Grass Touching Co x Travel Co

Week 6:

- Beerball by Games & Entertainment Co x Grass Touching Co x Engaged Citizen Program
- Pool Tournament by Sports co
- Constitutional Borrel by EUCSA Board
- Guided Tour: Floating Farm by Sustainability Co x Climate Crisis Course
- Community Art Event by Arts & Crafts Co

Week 7:

- Diversity Day by Intersectional Council
 - Mindful Meditation
 - Mini Potluck Lunch
 - Sit-In
 - Open Mic
- Matilda Screening by Cultural Cooking Co x Film & Photography Co
- 'Footloose' Musical by Performance Co
- Open Mic & Art Fair by Music Co
- TEDx Social Drinks by TEDx Team
- Gala by Gala Team
- Final Exhibition by Exhibition Team

Week 8:

- End of the Year Event / Pizza Party by EUCSA Board

