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Mission

To organise (extra-) curricular activities and offer services to students of the Erasmus University who have an interest in economics, specifically focussed on career, academics and social fields. The association attempts to create the best possible link with academic education and facilitate students in their career choices. In doing this, hundreds of students offer their collaboration on a voluntary basis each year.

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EFR Policy

During the year of 2016-2017, the Board has done its best to realise the mission of the association for as much as possible. This was partially done by perfecting the already existing events offered by the EFR. In addition to this, some new events were organised which will be discussed later in this report.

In the previous year, we have launched a new career website together with our RSM counterpart STAR, called the Erasmus Recruitment Platform. This year we've seen the website grow with more students and companies using the career site and all initial targets have been met. Beside the launch of this website, the EFR Business Week and the Erasmus Recruitment Days were two very large successes this year on the part of career orientation of the EFR. Also for international students there were some extra opportunities to orientate.

The Inspirational events were also quite successful this year. We managed to organise some new events. The Erasmus Sustainability Summit: Transform Your World and the Debate between Mark Rutte and Geert Wilders. The guests during all these events were of outstanding reputation and stimulated an enthusiastic audience.

The Supervisory Board took charge in guiding the Board in the right direction. They did this by assigning several strategic points to which the board should put their effort in. The EFR education pillar and the financial performance were both investigated resulting in a new five-year plan to which the coming boards should stick.

A more detailed description of the EFR Policy 2015-2016 can be found on the EFR website.

Relations & Contacts

One of the most important factors for the EFR is the relationship it has with its counterparts at other faculties, the university, the faculty, funds, the municipality, the port, and many more external parties. During the year of 2016-2017, the Board has done as much as possible to remain in close contact with these parties. Through the organisation of events like Erasmus Sustainability Summit, the EenVandaag debate, the International Career Day and the Orientation Cycle days, we have created as much opportunities as possible to strengthen these relationships.

Events report of the year 2016-2017

In the next part of this report, the events organised during the year of 2016-2017 will be discussed and described.

EFR Booksale

31-08-2016 t/m 04-09-2016; 26-10-2016 t/m 30-10-2016; 04-01-2017 t/m 06-01-2017; 29-02-2017 t/m 05-03-2017; 02-05-2017 t/m 06-05-2017

After Exam drinks

After the last exams of every block we have organized an after exam drink in café de Smitse. First and second year students were able to meet their fellow students in an informal way.

Bachelor guides

Every year, the EFR offers the students guides to the different bachelor years in economics. Not only does it consist of advice for studying, it also informs the student on the different choices that need to be made during the later years. This is a project done together with the ESE.

Charity events

Our charity committee organised fundraisers around Dutch holidays to raise funds for the organisations De Sinterklaasbank en Serious Request.

City Trips

By sending a group of 40-50 students to a city in Europe, the EFR attempts to broaden the horizon of these students by visiting a university, the business life and the city's main cultural attractions. The city trip is regarded as one of the most popular events of the EFR, partly because the atmosphere is usually quite good. The attractive price and interesting locations also help in this. This year there were two City Trips; one for all students from international studies and one for all students from Dutch studies.

Committee Members weekend

Teambuilding weekend for all Committee Members somewhere in the Netherlands. Through games, drinks and party's the EFR attempts to create a good working atmosphere among the students.

Discounts

In cooperation with different summary and tutoring companies, the EFR offers its members discounts to the different facilitating activities for studying. Also, the EFR offered discount to sports passes at the sports building.

EFR Business Week

Whereas the Erasmus Recruitment Days is completely focused on the career paths of students, the EFR Business Week is more focused on inspiring students. The EFR Business Week attempts to broaden the horizon of students on a very wide range. By inviting famous speakers such as Marjan van Loon, Princess Laurentien of The Netherlands and Arundhati Bhattacharya the EFR Business Week seeks to inspire by showing example. In addition, workshops and inhouse days are organised to show different opportunities in the world outside of the university and to get to know the individual qualities of each student.

Erasmus Sustainability Summit: Transform Your World

This year the first edition of the Erasmus Sustainability Summit was organised. Bringing together CEO's of Philips, DSM, Unilever, people from NGO's, and students the day was focussed on finding new sustainable solutions for large issues in society.

Erasmus Recruitment Days

The largest on campus recruitment event in Europe. Organised together with the study association of the RSM (STAR). Almost 3000 students participate in workshops, training, interviews, company presentations. Over 130 companies travelled to the university to present their recruitment to the students during more than two weeks in February.

EEN Vandaag lijsttrekkersdebat: Rutte vs Wilders

In wake of the Dutch elections EFR collaborated with the TV programme EenVandaag to organise a debate between the leaders of the two leading parties at the Erasmus University. The majority of the seats in the room were filled with students from the university.

EU headquarter visit

Together with 20 students we visited the headquarters of the European Union in Brussels. Students got the opportunity to learn more about working in Brussels and European politics.

iBuddy programme

This is another project organised in collaboration with the ESE. The EFR recruits international students who have lived in Rotterdam for more than a year. These people are linked to new students at the beginning of the year. By doing so the 'buddies' can help out with starting problems each international student has in the beginning of the year.

Introduction weekends

For each study (IBEB and Economics) an introduction weekend is organised. During this weekend people meet each other for the first time. It is known as a very successful way of getting to know your fellow students and the new student life.

Sustainability Committee

The committee focusses on organizing multiple small scale events that raise awareness about sustainability issues. This year a documentary night, a panel discussion with sustainable start-ups and a guest lecture by Green Peace were organized.

International Career Day

For the first time, we have organized a career day only for internationals. A lot of international students got the opportunity to prepare themselves for the Dutch labour market.

Involve Research Project

Each year, the academic year ends with the EFR Involve Research Project trip. This trip's main intention is to travel to a third world country to assist in helping the developing country. Throughout the past years its focus was less on economics. This year the Involve committee's goal was to analyse the impact of global warming reduction projects in Uganda. This is done together with a group of ESE students and three board members. Every participant received four credits from the ESE.

Model United Nations

This year we joined the Model United Nations in Zurich. Together with 20 enthusiastic students we represented 20 different countries to simulate the United Nations.

Monthly drink

Every month, the EFR organises a drink for all its members. The intention is social orientation and networking. In addition, it stimulates the positive perception students have with the EFR on the field of leisure and entertainment.

Orientation Cycle

During the year, several orientation cycle days are organised. The main intention of these days is to stimulate students to think about their study choices in the later years of their studies. During your third and fourth year, a student is asked to choose electives and specialisations. The Orientation Cycle days facilitate in making this choice. This year a Marketing, Finance, Accounting, Entrepreneurship,

Policy Day and Port Day were organised. This is done together with other associations specialised in these fields.

Ski Trip

A skitrip organised for all the members of the EFR. The committee responsible for the trip organises the destination and all the evening activities for a group of 40 students.

Skills Weeks

This year two skills weeks were organised. One of them specifically focussed on international students. During this week, a variety of trainings were provided by partners of the EFR in order to develop both hard and soft skills of the students.

Study Trip

The EFR Study Trip aims to take students to other parts of the world to get to know other cultures, their academic life and the business parts. This year the trip went to Israel. They visited the university and several companies across the country. With 30-40 students, the trip created an amazing atmosphere.

Other events

The EFR has also organised four different parties. The Welcome Party at the beginning of the year, the Welcome Back Party after Christmas break, the Halloween Party in collaboration with Erasmus Student Network (ESN). Also, the ESE Parents Day is partially organised by the EFR. Furthermore, we have organized a BBQ, a Prom, a Charity Party, two pub-crawls, two pub-quizzes, a beer cantus, a karaoke night, alumni events, one day recruitment events, training sessions and helped with all the open days of the Erasmus School of Economics.

Financial Report EFR

The EFR is obligated to publish its balance and Profit & Loss statement together with an explanation.

Balance (bookyear 2017; 01-08-2016 until 31-07 – 2017)

Cash and accounts receivable	111423	Equity	127000
Office inventory	2274	Accounts payable	1482
Remaining inventory	1122	Provisions & transitoria	40001
Participations	107000	Long term debt	96800
Transitoria	43464		
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Profit & Loss statement

Income	Participation fees	€ 97.757
	Acquisition	€ 324.020
	Funds & Grants	€ 64.004
	Contribution	€ 24
	Booksale	€ 135.442
Total		€ 621.247
Costs	Overhead	€ 39.367
	Operational expenses	€ 25.295
	Projects	€ 396.017
	Marketing & Recruitment	€ 28.193
	Booksale	€ 124.875
Total		€ 613.747
Profit/Loss		€ 7.500

Explanation

It is not the goal of the association to make a profit. However, the profit of the year 2016-2017 will be added to its equity in order to raise the liquidity of the association.