Procès-Verbal de la 324ème séance de l’Assemblée d’Ecole
du jeudi 4 novembre 2021 : séance conjointe entre
l’Hochschulversammlung ETH Zürich et l’Assemblée d’école EPFL

Liste des membres de l’AE-EPFL (membres Hochschulversammlung non répertoriés).
Présences
Alessandra Radenovic, Ens
André Fattet, CAT
Fabio Zuliani, CI
Jacqueline Morard, CAT
Jan Frybes, E
Jeanne Estienne, E
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Sabrina Wuilleret, Assistante administrative AE

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Consuelo Antille, CAT
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Ouverture de la séance à 11h15, à l’ETH à Zürich

1. DIALOG meeting with ETH Board
Review of previous years’ themes and approval of the two Schools (Hochschulversammlung ETHZ et
Assemblée d’école EPFL) for the themes of 2022 : leadership culture, organization development and
governance.

Suggestions and comments:
- Both Schools would like to get the minutes of ETH Board or at least the paragraph which concerns them.
Kristin will ask if possible.
- Lack of involvement of teachers in Faculty councils as they do not see the changes/actions by participating.
- Follow-up on past themes discussed previous years. Find a way to measure effects of DIALOG meeting: which
actions are taken and follow-up on a long-term analysis, focus on past 5-10 years. A tool could be EPF self-
improvement through accreditation period.
- It used to have a social time (dinner) shared with ETH Board. If the meeting was lasting 3 days, it would allow
time for it.

2. Scientific misconduct and inappropriate behavior (EPFL Powerpoint)
Legal framework
Revision of LEX 3.3.3 in 2020
Prevention through communication and education (currently settled at EPFL) :
- online training course
- 7 actions, especially: laboratories protocols and Data management, scientific writing and submission of manuscripts, authorship, plagiarism, etc.
- Essential bibliographic: guide to bibliographic references writing
- AREC
- HREC bylaws

Treatment
Whistleblower procedure (LEX 1.8.1)
Open science
Publishing in open access journals or granting the open access
Sharing research Data
EPFL open science Fund
Reform retractions
etc.

3. **Inappropriate behavior** (ETH Powerpoint)
New regulations on the reporting by ETH members of inappropriate behavior (issued Aug. 2020)
informal and formal phases.

**At EPFL campus:**
Suggestion: create course on what is harassment.
“Respect unit”: web page: difficulty to find the person of confidence. It should appear on the 1st page.
Harassment is difficult to explain and is an issue.
Existing service: respect unit / program on mentoring.

4. **Long term consequences of COVID 19** (EPFL Powerpoint)
Presentation on academic aspects: employability – mental health issues – teaching – governance.

HV-ETH: proposition to make small groups to discuss about consequences (this atelier didn’t take place due to a lack of time).

5. **Consultations process – overview**
**Specificity at ETH:** people who are not member of a specific representation are not informed of consultations and cannot express themselves.
**Specificity at EPFL:** information session about the current consultation / associations are consulted / individual comments are possible / EPFL School Assembly coordinate all position papers & individual comments to EPFL Direction.

Both Schools address to the two guests of ETH Board: Michael Käppeli – Executive Director ETH-Rat & Monique Weber-Mandrin – Head of Legal Services ETH-Rat:
- ETH would like to avoid loss of time in receiving communication on new consultation. **Response:** restriction of time is a challenging point.
- ETH proposes that ETH Board sends consultation to all bodies. **Response:** it’s not in line with ETH governance.
- ETH Ordinance mentions to communicate with School Assemblies.
- ETH Board guarantees that position papers and feedbacks are most welcome and considered.
- Both Schools would like to get automatic feedback on consultations and steps achieved.
- ETH Board must always find the good balance between defend EPF interests and Swiss Confederation pressure.

Fin de la séance à 13h00