



International Students' Union
Tromsø University



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ISU Student Board Spring 2005

ISU General Assembly

The ISU GA was held on Tuesday 8 February 2005.

Details of new ISU Board, Spring 2005:

President	Priscilla de Wet	South Africa
Vice-Pres	Maria-Gabriela	Romania
Sec. General	Dipesh Kharel	Nepal
Treasurer	Julia Shetsova	Russia
PRO	Dragica Vidovic	Montenegro
Web Master	Nikolay Gerov	Bulgaria
Org. Officer	Melike Yazaroglu	Turkey
Org. Officer	Abdul Hoque	Bangladesh
Org. Officer	Shirani Morales Garro	Costa Rica
Org. Officer	Evgenia Romanova	Russia
Inter. Coord	Åsne Resdal	Norway

We would like to thank Åsne and her team for assisting in the election process.

Past ISU activities

We have had 3 ISU Board meetings to date where the ISU activities were discussed updated and revised.

On 22 January we had a Bodega party to welcome everyone back to the academic year.

25 January we held a Hugin's Report in the old Bodega. It was well attended and the interest for this event is growing.

12 February we had a Valentine party which was also well attended.

Together with other student organisations we participated in the Solidarity Café and the Latin American week. Our main objective this semester is to work closer and collaborate with the other student organisations on mutual events and activities.

Upcoming events

Easter Trip to Kautokeino (24 to 27 March) - Organisation of this trip is in progress. The limit was 20 students and registration is full and closed. We leave on Thursday 24 and return Sunday 27 March 2005.

Responsible is Priscilla and Gabriela.

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Trip to Lofoten islands (29, 30 April, 1 May) – Organisation is in progress.

Responsible is Melike, Julia and Vera in Harstad.

Social gatherings at Driv – We intend playing the game “Amigos” to encourage and provide a platform for Norwegians and international students to interact positively. Responsible is Shirani. To date we have had one successful evening and will continue for the next 2 Wednesdays.

Sunday Sport – This has been a bit disrupted but will take place on Sunday 27 Feb. We have applied and got a place at the Saturday tournament in indoors football in Tromsø. Our ISU football team took part in 2 tournaments in Tromsø. The students really enjoyed this and even won some games. Currently we have soccer, Volley ball and Cricket on a Sunday at Kraft. Responsible is Abdul Hoque.

Hugin's Report – 12 April as a part of the South American Awareness week on campus.

May Farewell Party – 28 May in the Light House of Tromsø.

Unofficial Parties – These are parties held by international students who celebrate various national occasions. These are also well attended.

Student-Uke

ISU intends submitting the following 3 activities for this event:

19 April-Hugin's Report-19h00 to 21h00-Driv

24 April-Full Moon Gathering- venue and time to be confirmed.

– Presentation of Russia by Russian students. The object of these gatherings is to demystify negative perceptions students may have about other countries. Various countries or cultures will make presentations during the following months. Check our website for updates. Responsible is Evjenia.

28 April-International Cuisine- venue and time to be confirmed

However, we are applying for funding to the Student Week Program organizers.

ISU Constitution Revision

The revision of the ISU Constitution has been completed after a series of consultation meeting. Several people appointed at the February GA were responsible for that, but that did not exclude or diminish any of the possibilities of the other students joining. Those interested were invited to the meetings held every Tuesday at the ISU office 16h-18h, or they could send an e-mail, get the constitution via it and send their propositions in the same way. All the amendments were sent out to students before the Easter break in order for them to read it. A General Assembly will be held in the last week of April 2005 to consider the new version.

Finance

Firstly, our office was robbed and our cash box and 1 750 was stolen.

We received 50 000 from NSU for 2005. The reason for a decrease in our budget was because by September 2004 we had a bank balance of 24 000. This money was for

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2004. We challenged the decrease but were told that there were other organisations that needed money too.

Our current bank balance is 43 990. 14 and we therefore had to revise our activities. Please find a copy of ISU incomes and expenditures (spring 2005) attached.

We look forward to a good and constructive working relationship this semester.

Report prepared by Priscilla de Wet, President

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