



Doctoral Students Council

A protocol of the 1st meeting on November 14th 2023

The meeting was held in a hybrid form.

Attendance list:

1. Helena Anacka
2. Rengel Cane Sia
3. Jakub Baczyński-Keller
4. Adam Olszewski
5. Maria Ferlin
6. Vipin Kumar Oad
7. Afaq Hassan
8. Karolina Selwon
9. Krystian Zieliński
10. Łukasz Cichocki
11. Afaq Hassan
12. Farooque Janjh
13. Muzafar Kalwar
14. Aleksandra Karpińska
15. Patryk Lichocki
16. Aleksandra Ławniczak
17. Ewelina Pawelczyk
18. Arsalan Muhammad Soomar
19. Abu Al Hassan
20. Ignacy Rogoń

In addition Paulina Duch-Żebrowska, Hayat Ullah and Maciej Jasiński were present.

Course of the meeting:

- 1. Ignacy Rogoń has opened the meeting session.
- 2. Attendance has been checked.
- 3. Vote on acceptance of the protocol from 9th meeting of previous term of office was held among members of previous council. Protocol has been accepted.
- 4. Results of co-election were announced
- 5. Appointment of audit and election committee. Candidature of Helena Anacka, Rengel Cane Sia and Abu Al Hassan has been put to vote.

16 votes for	0 against	no one withheld
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 Audit and election committee has been appointed.

- 6. Selection of the chairman. Two candidatures were proposed:

1. Adam Olszewski	2. Ignacy Rogoń
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 Each candidate gave a speech asking for the support of the council. Q&A was held.

- 7. The Audit and Electoral Commission prepared two separate votes for the candidates. Due to technical reasons, the first vote was canceled. The second vote has started. Due to technical reasons, the vote had to be postponed so that each council member could cast a vote. During the break, Ignacy Rogoń gave a presentation on legal acts applicable to doctoral students. Finally, one council member, Affaq Hassan, was unable to vote. The council agreed to disclose the voting results.

1. Adam Olszewski	2. Ignacy Rogoń
8 votes for	10 votes for
8 against	6 against
2 withheld	2 withheld

- 8. After the announcement of the election results, Adam Olszewski withheld his candidacy, and Ignacy Rogoń has been appointed as a chairman of the Doctoral Students' Self-Government.

- 9. Election of deputy chairman was announced. Ignacy Rogoń has proposed to candidatures – Jakub Baczyński-Keller, and Vipin Kumar Oad. After short discussion vote was held.

10 votes for	1 against	1 withheld
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 Vipin Kumar-Oad and Jakub Baczyński-Keller were appointed as Deputy Chairman.

- 10. Treasurer, Adam Olszewski has presented current state of PhD Students' Self-Government budget. Paulina Duch-Żebrowska has indicated the need to appoint new funds for conference co-financing program. Ignacy Rogoń has decided on unlocking additional funds. Adam Olszewski has stated that by the end of the year he will be resigning from the position of the chairman. Ignacy Rogoń indicated need for appointing other positions: Chancellor, Treasurer, Conference co-founding committee leader, Cultural Events and Integration committee leader and Social Media committee leader.

- 11. Council has discussed candidature prolongation of prof. Michał Mrozowski as Director of Doctoral Studies at Faculty of Electronics, Telecommunication and Informatics. Vote was held.

8 votes for	2 against	no one withheld
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12. The council appointed Joanna Sypniewska as representative of PhD Candidates in WIMIO Council.
Vote was held:

11 votes for

0 against

no one withheld

13. Council has discussed candidatures for representative of PhD Candidates in WCH Council. Two candidatures were proposed: Farooqe Jahnji and Jakub Baczyński-Keller. After short discussion Jakub Baczyński was appointed as new representative of PhD Candidates in WCH Council.

6 votes for Jakub

5 votes for Farooqe

no one withheld

Jakub Baczyński was appointed as new representative of PhD Candidates in WCH Council.

14. St. Nicolaus Poster Session and Christmas Party were announced by Ignacy Rogoń. Booked dates are 12.12.2023 for the poster session and 16.12.2023 for the Christmas Party.

15. Issue of the rest breaks and proposed changes to the regulations were discussed. Adam Olszewski has presented his views on prolongations of PhD and shared a summary of the meeting with vice-rector Milewski organized by the Young Researchers Team:

„During the meeting Rector Milewski agreed to "soften" all proposed regulations, introducing only vacation recommendations. Moreover, the Rector wishes to add an "open ballot" of exceptions to the rules in justified cases. In our opinion all regulations should act as "recommendations" and therefore preferred (not obligatory). The Rector also agreed to introduce an additional scholarship for the 5th yr. It will be possible to apply with to Prof. Milewski for such a scholarship for 2-3 months to complete the research. Council suggested to exceed this time. The Rector is still interested in the introduction of "Social scholarships". We have to come back with our proposition to Rector. Proposition of social scholarships was prepared by Adam Olszewski and sent to Chairman. Moreover, Human Resources department will try to introduce official ways to get advance conference payment. This is part of the HR4R strategy which was developed in the University. In council opinion, HR department can handle this, and we don't need to interrupt them so much.”

Ignacy Rogoń has presented e-mail correspondence with vice-rector indicating fundamental differences between Adams's statement and views presented in the email by vice-rector. Chairman has proposed an idea for new „rest breaks” system:

1. The PhD Candidates are obliged to agree on the rest break with their supervisors.
Appropriate data must be entered into the system. Rest breaks should not interfere with the doctoral student's responsibilities. After returning from a rest break, the doctoral students are obliged to report to the supervisor within three business days, which is confirmed by the supervisor in the system.
2. Public holidays apply to the doctoral student, unless the supervisor allows the doctoral student to work during them.

16. Current affairs were discussed shortly. Chairman has announced that the photoshoot of the new council and 2nd meeting will be held in the following week.

17. Ignacy Rogoń closed the meeting