



PTE DOK DELEGATES ASSEMBLY

Summary of the most important topics mentioned on the PTE
DOK meeting

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Relevant agenda items

- Decision on the delegation to PTE LAW Doctoral and Habilitation Council
- Report on the privacy practices implemented in connection with the newly introduced Privacy Policy
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Decision on the delegation to PTE LAW Doctoral and Habilitation Council

The president of the Doctoral Student Association said that we would like to change the delegate to the Doctoral and Habilitation Council of the Faculty of Law. The current member, dr. Patrícia Niklai Dominika is going to be replaced by dr. Balázs Hohmann, the delegate of the Doctoral School of Law

The results of the vote are shown in the table below:

Doctoral and Habilitation Council of the University of Pécs			
Name	Yes	No	Abstention
dr. Balázs Hohmann	11	0	1

Report on the privacy practices implemented in connection with the newly introduced Privacy Policy

The vice-president of the Organization said that the previously discussed Privacy Policy imposes a large number of tasks on all departments of the University and that it was therefore necessary to designate a privacy officer. In addition, data management records had to be prepared. These documents state the ground, form and duration of the processing of personal data received by the Doctoral Student Association. Four such records were made. The first was written for the official website for the Organization, which [has already been published](#). [Currently available in Hungarian] The other three relate to the main data management profiles; these are books containing personnel information, electoral records and scholarship applications.

The completed documents were also forwarded to the University's data protection officer for supervision.

Consultation on the English language content of PTE DOK

The vice-president of the Organization said that by providing English-language content, they are seeking to increase the overall transparency of PTE DOK for foreign students. As a first step the organization would like to translate all the necessary rules and application documentation into English. The vice-president mentioned that he commissioned his colleague at the Directorate of Foreign Affairs and Marketing to translate the documents. As a result, the PhD students will be able to use the necessary documentation from September in certified translation.

This matter is especially important because from this year, foreign students can apply for the outstanding scientific and art scholarship, and it is important that reports and modification requests can be handed in easily by foreign students as well.

Information on the possibility of withdrawing the "defense fee"

The president of the organization said that the elimination of the complex examination fee was only the first step, and we would also like to achieve that the "defense fee" would not have to be paid by the university's doctoral students, of which the average amount is 200,000 HUF in the 22 doctoral schools of the University of Pécs.

The president outlined the concept of the Doctoral Student Association, which he would like to discuss later with the academic side too. More analysis is needed in the process of the initiative, and the organization is currently studying the defense fees of other Hungarian universities.

Information on the booklet for Stipendium Hungaricum scholarship holders

Recently, Stipendium Hungaricum scholarship holders have indicated that they need a summary that provides basic information about Hungary, Pécs, the University and the training itself.

In response to this request, the Doctoral Student Association has prepared and published a so called "Compass", which is now available on the official [website](#).

Information on dormitory accommodation for doctoral students

The president of the organization said that doctoral students can apply for dormitory positions, and their points will be based on their credits. This is especially useful for those who have already passed the complex exam.

The main goal is to apply equity and deregulation to the PhD student dormitory application process. In connection with this, the organization initiated several changes in the current documents, the adoption of which reflected the constructive intent of EHÖK.