News from the Student Representation
March-April 2024

What we did

“Prossima Fermata” - transport survey in Trentino
The next stop project aims to create a questionnaire on mobility flows in Trentino, the analysis of the data collected and the creation of a public database. The first phase of the project has entered into full operation with the distribution of the questionnaire which we invite you to fill out for maximum effectiveness of the project: [here is the link](#).

“Università nei conflitti”
As the Student Council we are organizing moments of reflection on the role of university research in war contexts. The most direct reference is precisely the events of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, whose tragic events, as you know, have been at the center of international news in recent months. The first event was held on May 9th 2024 in Povo and hosted Professor Paola Rivetti, fellow at the Dublin City College. The objective of this initiative is to create a place where it is possible to peacefully and openly discuss a topic with strong ethical connotations that must interest the entire university community. We will keep you updated on the upcoming events.

Motion to support special educational needs
After a shared elaboration, which also saw the participation of students directly affected by the inclusion measures, we developed and approved a motion which is part of the process of improving services for people with Special Educational Needs (including Specific Learning Disorders) that the University is carrying out.
In particular, we asked for 1) the improvement and extension of the current compensatory and dispensatory measures for exams and supplementary measures for teaching, 2) the awareness and training of all components of the University (in particular the teachers) and 3) of systematic monitoring actions.
We remind you that for reports or problems you can contact, in addition to your representatives, the department delegate and the Student Inclusion Office. For more information, [visit the relevant web page](#).

Motion to support student associations
We have approved a motion asking UniTrento and Opera Universitaria to expand and simplify the support and enhancement measures for student associations, which currently play a fundamental enriching role for our university community.
We have focused on a simplification of the Regulation, which, among other things, will allow all associations to draw from funds for sporting activities, the increase in the general budget, the request for more space and the recognition of the training role of Volunteering.
We take this opportunity to advise you to keep an eye on the page containing the names and contact details of the accredited organisations.

**There's a new Student Ombudsperson**

In the March session the Student Council met Professor Lucia Rodler, the new Student Ombudswoman, to discuss the most important issues at the moment for the student community and to underline how important the dialogue between Representatives and the Ombudsperson is. The Ombusperson is the figure of guarantee for students, also in relationships with teachers and technical-administrative staff. If you want to know more, check out the [webpage relating to its role](#).

**ECIU meeting in Hamburg**

On 4 and 5 April our delegate for Internationalization met in Hamburg with 13 other student representatives from the ECIU University network.  

ECIU University is a network of European universities collaborating to create innovative and interdisciplinary education. It is founded on the idea of a "university of the future", and offers courses based on challenge-based learning, applied research and collaboration with industry. You can find out more on the university website. In this context, students of different nationalities, including our internationalization delegate, met to draft the Statute of a future ECIU Student Council.

**A student-built furniture for the Mesiano terrace, ITACA 2.0**

Last April 23, ITACA 2.0 was inaugurated, a wooden structure designed and built by students for students, to provide a space of conviviality and sharing to all those who frequent the Mesiano terrace. The new furniture has deckchairs, tables and chairs to spend breaks at the university while enjoying the view of Trento and the Adige valley.

Both the original construction and this newly inaugurated one are a project of the Acropolis Association, which allowed its construction through a self-construction workshop. The team that followed the work was made up of 80% female engineers.

**SuperTrento: we made it!**

The SuperTrento participatory route consisted of an active dialogue between the administration of the Municipality of Trento and the community to design the surface freed by the burial of the tracks between Scalo Filzi and Muse. As a member of the Student Representatives we have repeatedly underlined that this urban adaptation must take into account the need of university students to see more spaces dedicated to student housing, and for recreational and socio-cultural purposes. These observations were included among the Guidelines of the urban planning project, on which the public administration will then actively work.

**Student Council opinion on the University’s multi annual strategic plan**

We gave our opinion to the University on the state of implementation of the University Strategic Plan 2022-2027, a document that defines the objectives that the University sets itself and the strategic actions it is implementing to achieve them.

In the opinion we said we were partially satisfied: if the progress made on teaching and internationalization finds our favor, we say we are concerned about the state of implementation of the initiatives on infrastructure and digitalisation, which in our opinion would require greater resources.
**Work in progress**

*Sustainable mobility*
For mobility by bike, some racks will be moved from the offices of Palazzo Prodi and the Department of Economics and Management to the Povo Collina Povo-Mesiano campus and work is underway towards the creation of cycle workshops where students will be able to repair their bikes independently and free of charge in spaces University. For electric cars, three electric charging stations will also be implemented near the DEM, in Mesiano and Povo 1.

*Maintenance and parking spots in Povo*
We continue to report the need for urgent maintenance of the Povo facilities. In the meantime, we can tell you that the potholes in the Vietnam car park will soon be repaired and drained, while the renewal of the paving in Povo 1 should be completed in the summer. Also in the latter location, three parking spaces have been added in the outdoor car park.

*Opera Scholarships*
Our representatives are collaborating with Opera to prepare the call for scholarships and accommodation places for 2024-25. We are working to make the tender even more inclusive and to identify the optimal deadlines. Furthermore, we are moving in the direction of a further increase in the amounts of the grants! We will soon know all the details.

*You might be interested in*

**Career fair**
This year too, the Career fair will take place, the annual University event dedicated to bringing together the world of work, the student community and graduates. For more information, see this link. The event will be on May 15th from 10:00 to 17:00 at Trento Expo, via Briamasco 2.

**Agreement on University basic funds**
An agreement has been reached between the Autonomous Province of Trento and the State to increase the basic annual quota that finances our University by 12.4 million euros. The game now shifts to the need to find financial coverage in time to ensure the stability of the 2024 budget. This news relieves us, however we reiterate the importance of providing for an elastic adjustment mechanism for provincial financing, to prevent crisis situations from recurring like the one we have gone through in recent years.

*P.S.* As you can see, the representatives is there and is trying to work for you! If you have any doubt or problem you can contact us via email or socials your Department representatives or the Student Council.

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About us
The Students’ Council (CdS) is the upper body that expresses the opinions and the political will of all the students of the University of Trento, by the means of Motions and Opinions. Here are discussed topics regarding the community of the University of Trento in general. Deputy delegates are nominated and they work together with their commissions on each specific topic. The Council elects its President, who represents all the students inside and outside our University, and is a member of both the University Governing Board and the Provincial Coordination Committee. You can find our Regulations, documents, and more details about the CdS on the dedicated section.

Components of the Student Council
Raffaele Amistadi - Secretary
Chiara Bifolchetti - Internationalization, Language Center (CLA) and ECIU Ambassador
Vincenzo Coccoluto
Livia Crisà - representative in the Academic Senate and in the Municipal Board of Students
Consuelo Daud Gonzalez - Equity and Diversity
Nicola Decarli - Internships and placement
Gabriele Di Fazio - President of the CdS, member of the Board of Directors of the University (CdA)
Otman El Amri - Internationalization, representative in the Joint Committee and in the FormID
Anna Gentile - Didactics, member of the Quality Assurance Committee (PQA)
Giovanni Migotto - Transports
Luca Pistore - Vice President of the CdS
Mattia Rutillii - University facilities, representative in the Library Council (CdB)
Riccardo Sidoti - Welfare, representative in the Evaluation Board (NdV)
Doina Sirbu - Didactics
Agnese Spagnolo Scurti - representative in the FormID
Filippo Stenico - Relationships with the Territory and Associations, member of UniCittà and representative in the Municipal Board of Students
Anna Piccoli - representative in the Joint Committee and in the FormID
Gianmarco Ruvolo - Representative in the Academic Senate
Alessandro Vettori

External Delegates
Chiara Marangoni - Information technologies and digitalization
Daniela Marchetti - Sport
Elisabetta Sabbatini - Environmental Sustainability
Cecilia Torboli - Sport
Filippo Zanei - University facilities