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PERSONALIA I am someone with an inert feeling of responsibility for the tasks I take on myself, who aims to learn and achieve more than he could have done a year ago. I aim to always find a nuanced view of a situation before acting on it with an analytical approach if possible and a more personal approach when needed. I prefer directness over unnecessary formalities and bureaucracy and will see anyone who works hard and seriously on equal footing.

ACTIVISM **SEVERAL COMMITTEES AT C.T.S.G. ALEMBIC** **SEPTEMBER 2014 – PRESENT**

Over the past years I have participated in nine different kinds of committees, both small and big, within Alembic. Some noteworthy ones are the Study tour committee, the program Kick-In committee and the role of Commissioner Planning and Stock of the drinks committee.

CHAIRMAN OF C.T.S.G. ALEMBIC **SEPTEMBER 2016 – SEPTEMBER 2017**

In my chairman year my focus has mainly been on internal policy, cooperation and continuity within both the board as well as the larger committees and contact with organisations within the University. Of these organisations my focus was on collaboration with other study associations to reach set goals for both Alembic and the other associations.

S&T FACULTY REPRESENTATIVE OS **SEPTEMBER 2017 – SEPTEMBER 2018**

As S&T representative of the Organisation of Study associations I mainly focussed on, both actively and reactively, supporting the S&T study associations. By sharing experiences and knowledge and building a discussion platform together with the associations we created an efficient and fruitful collaboration together.

Other responsibilities included supporting two different OS committees as well as the internal board meetings, attending the OS GMA's and being involved in more UT broad meetings.

ADVISORY BOARD OF C.T.S.G. ALEMBIC **FEBRUARY 2018 -PRESENT**

Member of the Advisory Board of Alembic, where both solicited and un-solicited advice is given to the board, the GMA and the larger committees within Alembic.

CHAIRMAN O.H.D. EKRIXI **JUNI 2018 – PRESENT**

As the chairman of 'dispuut Ekrixi' together with the other board members of Ekrixi we spent the past half a year creating an organisational structure where this was missing before. Besides this, Ekrixi has always been a great source of information from different associations, keeping me up to date with current affairs, something that has been proven to be useful during both my Alembic and OS board years

WORK HISTORY**SERVICEDESK CARRÉ, UNIVERSITY OF TWENTE****NOVEMBER 2017 - PRESENT**

ServiceDesk employee in the Carré building on the UT. This job has allowed me to make useful connection within the organisational structure, which I have been able to fruitfully use for my activism both within Alembic and the OS.

TRAINING AND TEACHING CSE STUDENTS**SEPTEMBER 2016 – PRESENT**

Starting from my third year and on, I have been training and teaching students from the Chemical Science and Engineering educational program. The give workshops include topic such as effective meetings, presentational skills, but also practicals in more study related topics.

EDUCATION**IB MYP DIPLOMA, MAARTENSCOLLEGE, HAREN****SEPTEMBER 2008 – JULY 2012**

The International Baccalaureate Middle Years Programme is an international program that is only taught at a few high schools in the Netherlands, but I spread around the globe. The IB MYP diploma is internationally recognised and acclaimed.

VWO DIPLOMA, MAARTENSCOLLEGE, HAREN**SEPTEMBER 2008 – JULY 2014****BSC CSE, UNIVERSITY OF TWENTE, ENSCHEDE****SEPTEMBER 2014 – JULY 2018**

Bachelor's in Chemical Science and Engineering

MSC CSE, UNIVERSITY OF TWENTE, ENSCHEDE**SEPTEMBER 2018 – PRESENT**

Master Chemical Science and Engineering – Chemical and Process Engineering

Dear OS board and study association representatives,

The aim of this letter of motivation is to give you a small insight into my background within the OS and associated organisations, as well as give a brief overview of my interests and how I see these align with the open position within the supervisory board of the SU. My name is Ruben Uineken, I am a fifth-year student and I have just started my master Chemical Science and Engineering, meaning I will still be around on the UT for about 2.5 years. Over the past 4 years and a bit I have become increasingly involved within the University of Twente, especially within the world of study associations. While the first 1.5 years of my activism were spent primarily within Alembic, my vision shifted to a broader perspective when I became the candidate chairman of Alembic. During both my candidate period as well as my board year I have actively worked with other study associations with the aim to let both parties' benefit. This both on the University of Twente, but also with chemistry study associations throughout the Netherlands. Not only have I always perceived this as useful and beneficial to our association and her members, but it is something I enjoy very much.

On this trend I have continued to be involved with study associations through my place within the board of the Organisation of Study associations last year. As the S&T representative I have worked hard to help the study associations, something I look back on with great pleasure. I truly believe that all the study associations at the University of Twente are something special and important we need to cherish and keep developing. I feel lucky that I have already been able to work hard to achieve this on both the study association level as well as the umbrella level. However, I would lie if I told you my ambitions have been met when it comes to supporting the study associations and all they stand for.

Some time ago I was made aware of the opening of the position of study sector representative in the supervisory board of the Student Union. This piqued my interest, as it is a position where it would be possible to support the work of the study associations, but in a different way than I have done up until now. Becoming a voice both for critical thinking as well as actively keeping the wishes of study associations in mind sounds like an amazing opportunity to me. I would love to use my experiences as a board member to improve the reflection on the SU from a higher level, as well as increasing the degree of communication between the OS and their representative in the supervisory board. Since I cannot possibly know every detail that the study associations want and need, I would work on keeping myself up to date with the current state of affairs. I would achieve this by making myself known and as approachable as possible to the study associations, as well as actively seeking them out when relevant situations pop up. The OS GMA seems like the perfect platform for this to me.

In order to achieve the best results in discussions, I always try to reach the best results for all parties involved, not only for the party I'm representing. During the FOBOS meetings which I attend last year for example, I found it more important that every committee and association got a compensation for their work than that OS got all the grants. I believe this quality to be very important in negotiations and discussions.

It shows I aim to achieve the best for all involved and when I press an issue on behalf of 'my' associations this will be taken seriously. I find this critical when working on a UT broad scale.

It must be admitted that I am not too familiar with the inner workings of the SU. Of course I have communicated and worked with the SU plenty, but I have never worked directly within their organisation as an employee or committee member. I do however believe this to be more of a strength than a weakness, as it will allow me to bring an experienced but outside view to the supervisory board. With this outsider's view I will aim to be critical and not be too susceptible to the current status quo.

If you have any further questions/remarks regarding this letter or my applications, please do not hesitate to contact me via my personal info as provided in my resume.

With kind regards,
Ruben Uineken