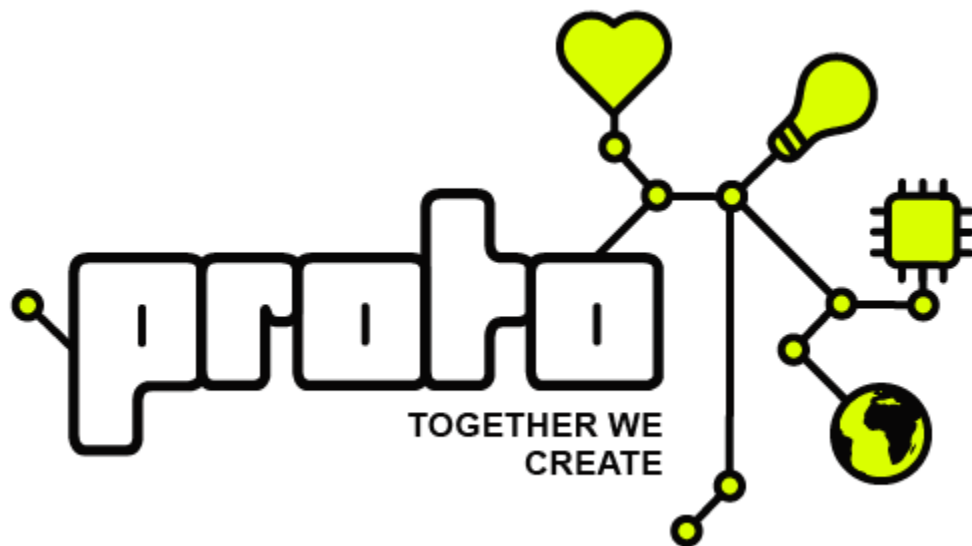


# Study Association Proto

## Annual Report 2020-2021

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# 1. Introduction

We probably all remember how we felt in March of 2020 when we received an email from the University of Twente saying that education would be cancelled for a week; we thought we'd be back in the classroom within three weeks. We all also saw that this was far from the truth.

Writing this report nearly a year and a half from that moment, we still need to keep 1.5m distance from each other, wear face masks, take a COVID-test at the slightest cough and limit our travelling movements and social contacts as much as possible. This has been hard on a lot of people, especially students who had to work in their cramped bedrooms for the better part of a year and most of whom have had to quarantine for at least a week when you tally up the panicked days waiting for someone's test results.

It's incredible how much every member has achieved over the past year. Passed their studies, attended online game nights, celebrated a lustrum from home, learned new skills and kept their head high. We as a board realise that all of these things are not possible without you - this year has shown us more than anything what it means to be an association.

As this year probably had its ups and downs for you, it also held its surprises (happy and sometimes a little sad) for us. One of these less happy surprises turned out to be that one of our board members needed to take some time for himself. It would have been impossible for us to keep Proto going without the help of our members who showed us that we're all in this together and we all want the best for S.A. Proto.

We've had incredible support from the audit committee who were always ready to help us out with questions and emergency function training, our lovely board of advisors who were there to pick us up when we were down, the candidate board who had to learn a lot of things very quickly to take over some tasks from us and the active members who helped us by taking over odd jobs we simply did not have time for. We want to thank you guys from the bottom of our hearts.

After this tumultuous year we're hopefully handing the awesomest association at the UT over to the candidate board with mixed feelings. Proto and her members will always hold a special place in our hearts and we hope to keep seeing all of you around for years to come!

Much love, Board 10.0

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## 2. Board Task Division

In the semi-annual survey, it turned out that not all respondents were aware of which board member had which function. Of course the board would like to see that every member knows who to approach with which questions, so this was deemed concerning. Luckily, during the second part of the year, it seemed that more people became acquainted with the board; most respondents matched the correct functions with the board members. The board is especially pleased to see that 100% of the respondents could point out the Officer of Educational Affairs where this was only 60% in February. This might be due to the higher amount of educational activities organised in the second half of the year, more about this can be read about [here](#).

### 2.1. Before the 3rd of May

#### 2.1.1. (Vice) Function division

Name	Function(s)	Vice Function(s)
Imke Verschuren	Chairwoman	Officer of External Affairs Officer of Educational Affairs
Jesse Visser	Secretary Officer of Educational Affairs	Treasurer
Jonathan Matarazzi	Treasurer	Secretary Officer of Internal Affairs
Sebastiaan van Loon	Officer of Internal Affairs Officer of External Affairs	Chairman

#### 2.1.2. Committee division

Imke Verschuren	Jesse Visser	Jonathan Matarazzi	Sebastiaan van Loon
Activity Committee Extraordinaire	Almanac	Culture committee	Acquisition Committee
DisCo	Alumni committee*	DIYCie	Camp committee
EEMCS-trip	EducaCie	Have You Tried Turning It Off And On Again committee	ENTROPcY
EmergenCie	GraphiCie	OmNomCom	FishCie
First Year Committee	InteracCie	SportCie	Guild of Drafters

Foundation ICE*	pLAN	Symposium Committee	Kick-In Committee CreaTe
Gala committee	ProtOpeners		Lustrum committee
Handyman committee	ProtoTrip		Protography
Societies			TIPcie

\* The Alumni committee and Foundation ICE are technically a separate organisation from Proto, but there is still a board responsible to ensure proper communication.

## 2.2. After the 3rd of May

115 In the week of the third of May, Jonathan Matarazzi indicated to the rest of the board that he would not be able to continue with his board functions for an undetermined period of time due to personal circumstances.

### 2.2.1. (Vice) Function division

120 The new function division was decided upon together with the Board of Advisors during a board meeting. The new division is based on workloads of board members at the time of Jonathan Matarazzi's departure, statutory regulations and workload of functions to be re-divided.

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Culture committee <sup>1</sup>	Alumni committee*	Camp committee
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First Year Committee	pLAN	Lustrum committee
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Gala committee	ProtoTrip	Protography
Handyman committee		TIPcie
Societies		
SportCie <sup>1</sup>		
Symposium Committee		

125 <sup>1</sup> Due to the high workload of the extra committees, committee responsables to represent the board were assigned to committees from a group of active members and the Candidate Board.

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### 3. COVID-19

#### 130 3.1. Protopolis

##### 3.1.1. Main use

Most of the year, the Protopolis was closed. During the months in which the Protopolis was open, the main use of the room was largely in accordance with the policy as it was set at the start of the year. The Protopolis was mainly a working space for the board and members could come in to ask questions. Registration lists were put up in the room for people who entered the room and the board made sure visitors upheld the rules set by the university and by the board themselves. During the entire year a maximum of five people were allowed in the association room.

Before the second lockdown in December, this number was often exceeded, which is why the board decided not to promote the re-opening for members at the start of June and decided not to encourage people to come and relax in the association room. The Protopolis could already be used as a working space for the board since March, but was not allowed to open for members. This was very effective: the five people maximum was only exceeded a handful of times between June and September, which is the longest consecutive period that the room was allowed to be open to members this year. It probably also helped that the board was not allowed to hand out food or drinks to members inside the association room.

The new, COVID-proofed set-up of the Protopolis was a success in terms of complying with the corona measures, but on the few occasions that the room was used for relaxing the lay-out of the room turned out not to be ideal. The screens could not be seen properly from the couches, there was no space for a third couch and the room could not be seen from every table which meant that the board could not keep track of everything that was happening. Therefore, it is recommended to change the lay-out of the Protopolis again as soon as university regulations allow the abandonment of 1.5m distance inside.

### 3.1.2. Food and drinks

At the start of the year, coffee and tea were placed on tables on the balcony outside of the association room. This worked fairly well and safely, but the only issue was that the board sometimes made coffee which was not used or had to scramble to make coffee when people showed up. This was not seen as a problem. When the Protopolis opened up for the board in March and for members in June, the (candidate) board sometimes went around the SmartXp to hand out coffee and tea. People working in the SmartXp usually enjoyed this.

Because of the lack of visitors and the ban on serving food later in the year, no new OmNomCom orders were placed throughout the year. The board looked into ordering together with other associations, but before anything could be finalised with them or with the Makro, the association room closed for the December lockdown, so no more research was done. It is recommended to stop ordering together with Atlantis as we have done in the past; Atlantis has moved to the Drienerburgh, which makes it very hard logistically to order from Makro together. All expired, but safe to eat, food from the OmNomCom was donated to the Voedselbank or given to members for free.

## 3.2. Activism

Information regarding this topic can be found in the [Member Updates](#) section of this document.

## 3.3. Activities

Information regarding this topic can be found in the [Activity Updates](#) section of this document.

# 4. Action Plan Updates

## 4.1. Protopolis Updates

### 4.1.1. Changes to the Protopolis

At the start of the year, the Protopolis was rearranged to accommodate the COVID-19 regulations. More space was created in the back of the room for the board to work and one couch was permanently removed to make more space to keep 1.5 meter distance from each other. A budget is set aside for the next board to buy a new couch. The board has also replaced two TVs for the Protopolis using Makro points.

### 4.1.2. Members in the Protopolis

At the start of the year members were still allowed to enter the association room for quick questions and to grab something from the OmNomCom. However, the room limit was set to five people, so when the full board was present, only one member was allowed in the Protopolis. Unfortunately, later in the year the room had to close completely. At the start of quartile four, the association room was allowed to be open again but only for the board members. The board has used the room as much as possible to have board meetings and to be present for members picking up packages for various activities. This did not always go smoothly, it happened occasionally that members would be met with a locked Protopolis and no board members present. It is recommended that, during pick-up moments for items, at least one board member is always present. Halfway through quartile four, other members were allowed in the room again, but with the same restriction of a maximum of five people at any given time.

## 4.2. Activity Updates

### 4.2.1. Committee Introduction

New members of committees have been encouraged to follow a training for their specific function. New first-year students were especially required to follow training. These trainings took place individually with a relevant board member. This seems to have been appreciated by the members.

### 4.2.2. Committee Size

Almost all committees have reached a workable size throughout the year. The board hopes that every committee will continue to have enough members at the start of next year to properly start up. The camp committee has elected to go over the normal maximum of 7 members in a committee, and now has 8 members. This is because the upcoming camp is expected to be much larger.

### 4.2.3. Committee Communication

Throughout the year, the vast majority of committee meetings took place online. The platform that was used most often was Discord, which was far from perfect but overall seemed to be the preferred option as well - Teams and Google Meets/Hangouts were used occasionally, but this was not the norm. Near the end of the year some committees had some physical meetings, for example the DIYCie had a working moment with a part of the committee and the KICC organised physical working moments.

Unfortunately, due to extended lockdowns, the goal of the board to organise more physical team buildings after the half year point did not work out. The board recommended the candidate board to look into providing these team buildings in the next academic year.



220 Respondents of the annual survey indicated that they had not seen a lot of improvement in how  
on top the board was of their committees, but they also indicated that it did not get worse. Of  
course this is not a situation that the board is happy with. Something else the board was really  
concerned with that resulted from the survey is that seven respondents said that they did not  
feel that their board responsible motivated them and their committees at all. It is recommended  
for future boards to try and evaluate their functioning as a board responsible more often and  
more in depth. This year this was only done once or twice, organising smaller quarterly  
225 evaluations could be a good first step.

#### 4.2.4. Activity Distribution

230 There was no period in the year where the amount of activities was too large. Even during the  
Lustrum activities, we have had 4 activities per week at most. The board has observed that  
people tire far quicker from online activities, and therefore have not pushed committees to  
organize more online activities, despite low attendance.

235 Respondents of the survey noted that they enjoyed the activities organised throughout the year,  
but they had a clear preference for physical activities. During the semi-annual GMM it was  
recommended to look into more options for adding physical aspects to online activities.  
Respondents said they saw improvements in the amount of online activities with physical  
aspects after February, which the board was happy to hear. Recommendations for future  
activities from the survey have been sent to the candidate board. In the semi-annual survey  
respondents indicated they would like to see more creative activities; in the annual survey,  
240 respondents indicated that enough creative activities were organised. The board is pleased with  
this outcome.

#### 4.2.5. Board Activities

The board has tried to host online get togethers. However, after experiencing that very few  
people show up to these activities, the board decided that it was no longer worth organizing.  
245 The board also tried to host a few open board meetings, but these also had a low attendance  
rate.

Aside from the online activities, the board has organised the Active Member Activity, which went  
to the Efteling this year. In general this was received quite well.

#### 4.2.6. Event Promotion

250 Events almost exclusively had to be promoted online. WhatsApp and Instagram were the main  
tools for this throughout the year. This was not extremely successful since promotion got lost in  
algorithms or chats a lot, but the board does not expect that any kind of medium would have  
improved this. The board has adopted a calendar to keep track of and space out promotions.  
Most of the time this Calendar worked well, especially with the board and social media working  
255 group sending reminders to committees. Hopefully with this implementation the board has been  
able to avoid spamming group chats. Some more original ways for promotion were tried out. For

example, the Almanac committee made special showcase videos of the Almanac, the Lustrum Songciety made a promotional music video and the camp committee also made a promotional video.

A social media working group was started as the end of the year drew closer, more information on this can be found [here](#). Respondents of the survey noted that they saw a slight improvement in the quality and amount of event promotion after February; it is expected that this is due to this working group.

## 4.3. Member Updates

### 4.3.1. Member acquisition

At the start of the year, about 90 new members signed up during the Kick-In through an online process. Throughout the year around 30 other people became members. The board presented Proto at a general Interaction Technology lecture, but this did not seem to have any effect - no new sign-ups were noted. The reason for this, sadly, is unknown. An online tool was made during the summer of 2020, which enabled signing up members online. This was extremely beneficial, since the only thing the board needed to arrange for the sign-up was making sure the signed contract was in order and no physical presence on campus or elsewhere was required. It is recommended to keep using this method of signing up members because it can be done from anywhere and is easy and intuitive. There were some issues with the recaptcha for people without a student account who wanted to sign up, but this was solved.

The board has also made efforts to ensure the involvement of upcoming students. A Whatsapp group was created together with the CreaTe staff for students who plan on joining CreaTe next year, which had around 80 members in June. The board organised an online pub quiz and a picnic already. It is highly recommended to continue connecting with upcoming students like this in the future. On the first of August, around 20 of these upcoming students had already finalised their Proto membership.

### 4.3.2. Member involvement

Throughout the year, the board tried very hard to get and keep members involved with Proto despite the online environment, but this proved very difficult. To help with this, Proto applied for a project case in module three and was accepted, but no students chose the project - according to the module coordinator, all COVID-related projects were not very popular. It might be nice to look at a module three project case again in the future, but with a different subject.

The board continued with organising activities and weekly coffee moments to make sure members had activities to visit, but the attendance rate was low. However, quite a lot of previously active members have stayed active and quite a lot of first year students frequently attended online activities, so overall the efforts of the board seem to have been at least partially effective.

295 During the last part of the year, when physical activities were possible again, some older  
members who had not been present at all in earlier years also showed up to activities, which  
was nice to see. They indicated that this was because they had missed the social aspect and  
lost touch with their social network around the campus. Some first year students also only  
showed up during the physical activities at the start and end of the year. It seems that for  
300 activities, hosting them physically is preferred by members.

### 4.3.3. Mental health

The board worked a lot on this topic. Efforts were made together with other study associations  
to set up information sessions and guest lectures with student psychologists or other experts,  
but this could not be arranged due to the high workload these people experienced. Proto joined  
305 a working group within the Organization of Study Associations (OS) that discussed and worked  
on this topic for a big part of the year and an official committee is currently being set up by OS.  
The committee also discussed different study associations' mental health policy and wrote  
numerous proposals and suggestions for improving the mental health facilities of the University  
of Twente.

310 The board also tried to focus on members' mental health by providing enough opportunities to  
come out of social isolation, albeit online. This was partially done through a weekly coffee  
moment, but not a lot of people showed up there most of the time. It also did not help that the  
board often simply did not have time in their schedules to have a set weekly session of one or  
two hours where a lot of members would also be available to relax. The board had meetings  
315 during most lunch breaks and other members had lectures outside of these breaks. There were  
also hardly any moments all board members had free every week. This made it hard to organise  
successful coffee moments. It might have helped to set biweekly moments instead or look at  
moments where part of the board could be present, but this was not implemented. Some  
committees also implemented a personal round on their agendas. This was received with some  
320 hesitation regarding its effectiveness and it often was not used very extensively, but it gave  
committee members a safe space to mention personal circumstances. The agenda point was  
used for this occasionally within the committees where the agenda point was implemented. It is  
recommended to discuss this agenda point with all committees at the start of the year to gauge  
interest. It was not suggested to all committees due to some miscommunications within the  
325 board; it is recommended that, if such things are implemented in the future, all board members  
collaborate and it is checked that this is done.

The CreaTe and I-Tech program committee have drafted up a list of points they would like to  
work on to improve mental health for students. Also after corona, the board recommends that  
this list is taken seriously since Proto can offer a lot of support for the social aspects of the  
points the program committee has come up with. The board also promoted activities and  
330 platforms that could help provide mental relief and a page was made on the association website  
with links to a university-wide mental health support page and other useful resources. The board  
recommends that this page is promoted and updated at least once a year by new boards.

#### 4.3.4. Board accessibility

335 In the semi-annual report and connected survey it was noted that the board mostly seemed very accessible. People could contact them for questions and have received (mostly) quick and useful answers, but could also contact them for a quick friendly chat. Some members did note that the board did not always seem open to feedback.

340 In the annual survey respondents said that they saw improvements on these points. They felt that the board had become quicker in communication and handling of documents such as financial requests, became more open to feedback and handled these points of feedback better.

345 At the start of the year, two Open Board Meetings were held where the first one had three attendees and the second one had none. This is why the board decided to host more 'open' input moments. One brainstorming session was hosted at the beginning of the year and later the weekly coffee moments could be used for giving input and feedback. This was not necessarily communicated as the main purpose of the coffee moment, but members did use the contact moment for giving input occasionally.

350 The online Good Idea Board was used by members as well. The board struggled for a while to find a nice way to communicate the outcome of discussions to members and eventually it was decided to add decisions regarding the Good Idea Board to the weekly newsletters. This seemed to be a fitting solution since no questions were asked by members about the outcome of good ideas. An alternative reason could be that people did not remember the good ideas at all, which is why it is recommended to further investigate the results of good ideas when physical feedback is not an option, but the updates in the newsletter seem to be a good start.

#### 355 4.3.5. Active members

A surprisingly high number of new active members was found throughout the year. The amount was not always equally divided over committees, but the new active members were enough to keep all active committees running smoothly. Take a look at the [Committees](#) section of this document for more information on specific committees.

360 Around the halfway point of the year, some active members indicated that they did not feel appreciated. This is far from what the board would like to see, so in the second half more effort was made to show the board's appreciation to the members. An active member activity to the Efteling was organised and the board worked hard to create packages for everyone, also for the members who could not attend the active member activity. These will hopefully be handed out  
365 at the start of the new academic year. The definition of active member this year was a member who was a member of any committee due to the forced inactivity of some committees whose members could not have been active even if they wanted to. The number of active members did not cause any problems for the active member activity since more people could join.

370 The active member activity seemed to make some active members feel appreciated, but others indicated they did not feel this at all. Some respondents who felt appreciation was an issue did say it got better after February, but others said they felt the outing to the Efteling was the only form of appreciation and that their committee members were more grateful for their efforts than

the board. The board was saddened to hear that this is how some active members have experienced this. It is recommended to future boards to sit in on a few of each other's committee meetings to see how other board members interact with their committees. Then the board can evaluate what could be improved to make sure appreciation is also felt by committee members during meetings and such, not only during one or two moments in the year when the board organises general active member events.

#### 4.3.6. International students

Due to the lockdowns and international students often staying in their home countries, the board found it hard to stay in touch with the international students. As for international students active in committees, this number actually grew from two to five members after February. This might not seem like a big increase, but it is quite hard to encourage international students to become active so the board is pleased with this number. The board tried to highlight the importance of committees for resumes for international students when promoting Proto during the master Kick-In and at an online lecture, which might have contributed to this fact.

For activities, the amount of attending international students seemed about as high as the previous year. The board noticed that talking English with international students during activities, also offline, went quite smoothly and conversations were often continued in English even when only Dutch speaking students were present. The board thinks this is a positive development and hopes that this trend will continue in the coming years. It was noticed that, once people started speaking Dutch, it was very hard for some to adjust back to English.

These observations were confirmed by an international student. They mentioned that a lot of Dutch students spoke English even when the international student was not necessarily paying attention, which they were pleased with. Only about 1 in 10 people sometimes spoke Dutch with an international student in a conversation, which made them feel a little bit like an outsider but they did not always mind this since it helped them to learn Dutch. This is a good start, but the board recommends new boards to strive for 0 in 10 people.

#### 4.3.7. Master students

During the master Kick-In the board really tried to stress the role of Proto in a career context. At the start of the year this did not seem to be very successful, and master students largely ignored activities and committee work. At the second committee market two interested master students were found for the InteracCie and another master student signed up for multiple committees that are not specific to the master. The InteracCie worked hard to organise activities for their fellow master students, but this did not seem to be very effective despite their efforts. Enough activities were organised, but interest and attendance was low. The committee expects the reason for this is that master students often do not become a member of Proto since they are already active at another association or simply do not see the use of a study association.

Throughout the year more master students signed up for Proto, although a general sign-up moment during the Kick-In did not yield any results. It would be valuable to look into why this was unsuccessful in the future. The board is very glad to see that the overall number of active

master students is rising together with the number of master students that become a member, and there is hope that this trend will continue in the coming years leading to a steady amount of active master students.

#### 4.3.8. Alumni

Unfortunately, no members for the alumni committee were found. Despite this, a successful online alumni panel and alumni day were organised. The Officer of Educational Affairs also sent mails to alumni with information regarding the advancement of the studies and the association, but also promoted donorship to Proto in these mails. The board recommends that once it is possible again, the new board looks into organising a physical alumni dinner both in Enschede and Utrecht since that city is easier to travel to than Enschede for alumni who have moved away.

### 4.4. Educational updates

#### 4.4.1. Educational Committee

At the start of the year the committee was split into two groups (CreaTe Y3/I-Tech & CreaTe Y1/Y2). This division has been very successful and made the meetings a lot more productive. Four students who followed I-Tech courses also joined the committee making it possible to properly evaluate most of the I-Tech courses. All feedback gathered from the committee was quickly communicated to the teachers or discussed during (bi-)weekly meetings with the bachelor and master coordinators. The committee has also started sending out (bi-)weekly surveys to gather feedback on each module of CreaTe. It was hard to get consistent numbers of participants on the (bi-)weekly surveys, especially towards the end of the module. Despite this the teachers were very happy with the extra feedback they were getting. Overall the committee members have been very proactive and gave useful feedback.

#### 4.4.2. Educational Communication

The educational email has unfortunately not been used often during the second half of the year as the Officer of Educational Affairs found that there was not enough relevant information to fill up the email that students do not already get through Canvas. Social media, such as Whatsapp or Instagram, also seems unfit for educational information apart from announcements of educational activities or events.

The Officer of Educational Affairs found it quite hard to keep up with the evaluation of courses and modules. Despite the delay at the end of the year, all modules and some I-Tech courses have been evaluated and the documents can be found on the DokuWiki. The Officer of Educational Affairs has unfortunately not taken the time to update the CreaTe flowchart and has not looked into creating a I-Tech flowchart. This is still something the next board should look into.

It was one of the goals of the board to bring the 'study' back into the study association. Those who filled in the survey indicated that they felt that Proto had presented itself as an educational association this year. When asked whether or not they were pleased with this image, most respondents replied that they wanted Proto to present itself as an educational, but also as a social association.

#### 4.4.3. Study Material Sales

At the start of the academic year Proto took over the sales of books and sketching sets from IAPC. The Officer of Educational Affairs mainly took on this responsibility and has experienced very little trouble with the book sales. The sketching sets on the other hand were quite troublesome as there were a lot of issues with the supplier that IAPC previously ordered the sketching sets at. Despite this, students got their sketching sets on time and mostly complete. Only the blue pencils were left out as they were not delivered on time and will be saved for next year's sketching sets. It is advisable to seek a new future supplier for the sketching sets. Presently the chance of IAPC taking back these responsibilities seems unlikely.

#### 4.4.4. Information Markets

##### 4.4.4.1. Minor Market

The minor market was organised online using Discord and took place half way through January. The EducaCie had quite some trouble finding speakers and was not very assertive in finding new people and keeping in touch with the people that were interested to speak during the market. The market was unfortunately not very well attended. The lack of speakers might be the reason that not a lot of students were interested. The event could also have been promoted more than once.

Before the event, the participants that signed up were divided into time slots. The event started off with a short presentation from the bachelor coordinator about general information on minors and pre-masters. It was hard for the committee to make sure every presentation was kept within the time slots, because the time slots were quite short. The format that was used at the master market would have worked better. Despite this, the few students that were there did enjoy the presentation and thought they were useful.

##### 4.4.4.2. Master Market

Having learned from the minor market, the EducaCie assigned a sub-group of the committee to organise the master market. A lot more effort was put into finding speakers and the committee was more assertive in contacting new people and updating potential speakers on new information for the market. The committee could have been a bit more clear in their communication. One email was sent with all information for the speakers, but some participants indicated that they would have preferred multiple emails with smaller bits of information.

This market also still had to be organised online. The committee used a dedicated Discord server with a clear structure for all the rooms to make it more clear where everyone should go. There was also a pre-recorded presentation from the bachelor coordinator with information on

choosing a master, since she could not be there in person. Instead of having a lot of short time slots, the committee chose to have larger time slots with multiple presentations of similar or related masters that were clustered together based on the field of study. This made it so that the participants had to move around less and gave the presenters more slack in how long their presentations were. The students liked this format and it was a lot easier for the organising committee to manage.

Overall the master market was successful and the participants found it very useful. The presenters also indicated that they thought the organisation went smoothly.

#### 4.4.5. Study Nights

The EducaCie has done their best to organise as many study nights as possible, despite the lockdown and closing of university buildings during the year. Most of these study nights were in a hybrid format, which was manageable for the teaching assistance as long as there were some specifically assigned for the online part. During the period that all university buildings were closed the committee has tried to organise fully online study nights, but unfortunately not a lot of students were willing to attend. This is probably because students do not want to spend more time during the evening behind their computers as they have already spent most of the day watching lectures or making assignments online.

#### 4.4.6. Practice Material Database

At the start of the year, a number of new summaries were added to the DokuWiki, but the Officer of Educational Affairs has unfortunately not been able to actively go after more summaries or practise tests.

#### 4.4.7. Staff Appreciation

During each module the EducaCie has contacted a number of teachers to thank them for putting in the extra effort needed to make online education worthwhile and enjoyable for the students. Next to that, the committee held a vote for the best teacher of 2020/2021 and nominated the winner for the UT Educational Award.

### 4.5. External Updates

#### 4.5.1. External Support

##### 4.5.1.1. Financial Sponsorship

Achieving the required financial sponsorship has proven to be harder than expected. Many companies have been largely unresponsive at the end of the year. Sadly with the change in board functions Sebastiaan van Loon has had less time to work on contacts. A number of companies still have to sign/pay for their options for this year. The board has decided that working on company contacts had a lower priority compared to other tasks such as maintaining the bookkeeping and working on transfer documents. The total expected sum is around 4000 euros. In terms of financial health of the association this will have little to no impact since a



massive overall profit was made throughout the year, even though it is lower than the target set at the beginning of the year.

#### 525 4.5.1.2. Creative Sponsorship

A number of online lectures and workshops have taken place. Some were more successful than others. The online environment proved to be very restrictive. In general, people did not seem to be excited for an online lecture or workshop, even with the promise of free food. Next to the DIYCie workshop, our most successful workshop of the year was the Tamaguino workshop by  
530 Q42. People seem to be more enthusiastic to build something themselves. The low technical requirement to join the workshop also might have helped. This workshop could definitely be repeated again in the future.

#### 4.5.2. Acquisition Committee

535 The Acquisition Committee has tried to organise a small company market this year, however, due to the duration of the corona measures this idea had to be postponed to next year. The committee has found it difficult to remain motivated while most of the activities that were organised were generally not well visited, which was mainly due to the restrictions imposed by COVID-19. The Acquisition Committee has found a new member, hopefully this will ensure that  
540 the committee will have enough members next year. More members for the committee would be preferable, but not necessary.

#### 4.5.3. External Promotion

External promotion has been featured more leniently in the weekly newsletter. The mailing list was not used for this since the promoters did not pay anything. The future officer of External  
545 affairs can consider charging a standard amount for this promotion. The poster boards and narrowcasting have not been used regularly throughout the year due to the COVID-19 lockdown.

### 4.6. Financial Updates

550 An in-depth overview of the finances of the past year will follow in an upcoming GMM. Information regarding the financial health of S.A. Proto will be provided by the audit committee during this GMM to the best of their knowledge.

### 4.7. Other Updates

#### 4.7.1. Sustainability

555 Due to COVID-19 the advantages of single-use products outweighed the negative of generating a lot of waste. The board recommended the candidate board to look into promoting alternatives to committee clothing for some committees to avoid committee members buying shirts or other

pieces of clothing they will only use once or twice. Unfortunately no conclusions could be drawn from the decision to leave the bins outside of the room since nearly no food was consumed or waste was generated by anyone other than the board in and around the Protopolis. Overall unfortunately a lot of sustainability goals set at the beginning of the year were not achieved or could not be evaluated. It is highly recommended to look into creating more sustainable options for the association in the future.

#### 4.7.2. Social Media

Throughout the year, the board struggled to keep up with social media. Several members offered to help, and a social media working group was started in the last quartile to help the Officer of Internal Affairs with managing the social media accounts. The board really appreciated the help of this group, so they would recommend keeping this working group going as long as people are interested and the board is in need of help.

#### 4.7.3. Digitisation

Where possible, the board has removed the use of paper in archiving information. All new member contracts are signed and stored digitally and any contracts with other organizations have also been signed digitally. Unfortunately, not all bookkeeping can be digitalised as the law requires us to keep a physical archive. During checks by the audit committee they realised that keeping financial records online was very inconvenient, so these were printed out at the end of the year and stored physically. In accordance with the law, these records will be stored for seven years and then destroyed.

#### 4.7.4. Merchandise

Several items of merchandise were acquired this year. In February, face masks were made and sold based on a design that was sent in during a face mask design contest, back in October Proto zoodies could be purchased and in June new Proto ties were ordered. These will be shown to the GMM before production starts, but due to a COVID-outbreak in the factory the sample designs might be presented later. Once they arrive, these new ties will replace the old ones, which can still be bought as mementos. Proto also ordered a lot of free notebooks, which became very popular once module 8 had started in the SmartXp. There are still several boxes with notebooks in the Protopolis which should be enough to last the association for at least a year.

The sale of Proto zoodies went less quickly than expected, but after the closing of the initial sale a lot of members indicated their interest. Some zoodies were already sold in the previous academic year, but those could be picked up this year without any trouble. The zoodies were moved to Proto at the end of the academic year and are now available in the OmNomCom. The face masks generated a lot of interest from members, over sixty were sold.

#### 4.7.5. Foundation ICE

595 In March, the study trip was postponed to the summer of 2022 due to uncertainties regarding  
travels for the summer of 2021. Some participants decided to drop out of the trip, but the  
Foundation held application procedures for new people and those have been found by now. The  
Foundation, despite the approved budget plan at GMM 39, does not expect that a loan will need  
600 to be taken out with the university since most participants will have paid their full contribution  
and will have received their case salary once larger payments such as plane tickets need to be  
made for the trip.

#### 4.7.6. Societies

An updated version of the society document was added to the Proto wiki, which is more future  
proof; the document written last year mentioned a lot of year-specific things. Once COVID-19 is  
605 over, it should be considered to update the documents again to remove certain COVID-19  
clauses or at least re-write them to be more generally applicable.

The Lustrum Songciety completed their goal of creating an album with songs to celebrate the  
Lustrum of S.A. Proto, and sold quite a number of physical releases of said album. The songs  
can also be found on [Soundcloud](#) and [YouTube](#). Communication between the board and the  
610 society went smoothly, since a board member was also an active society member.

Sk8erbois and the Taartcie have not organised anything yet. In accordance with the updated  
society guidelines, this is not necessarily a problem yet. One new society, the PetCie, was  
approved.

#### 4.7.7. Legal documents

615 On the 1st of July 2021, a new law comes into force which forces associations to update their  
statutes to comply with these new laws (WBTR) before the 1st of July 2026. Since S.A. Proto  
has updated her statutes in 2019, no subsidy could be received from the Student Union yet (this  
is only given once every five years), so it was decided by the board to leave this update of the  
statutes to a new board. A document was written with all aspects of the statutes of Proto that  
620 need to be changed. It is recommended by the board who will carry out this changing of statutes  
to host a General Member Meeting where members can give their input on how to work out the  
new updates in the statutes.

A document was also written for new boards regarding their liability. In certain cases the current  
board, but also previous boards can be held accountable for problems involving the association.  
625 This document was written to help new boards understand when they can be held accountable  
and for what, as to make sure that they will always act in such a way that liability of the residing  
or previous boards cannot be claimed by anyone.

#### 4.7.8. Prodcast

Since February, the Prodcast has recorded three episodes. After the first episode a sound  
630 engineer was added to the Prodcast team. As of now, the Prodcast episodes are perceived to

be quite chaotic and sound quality can definitely be improved, but overall members seem to quite like the podcast. The first episode was downloaded 39 times. It is recommended that other boards keep the Podcast going, but should look into bringing more structure into the recordings by means of an agenda and into regular publishing of episodes.

#### 635 4.7.9. Board of Advisors

At the start of the year, the communication with the Board of Advisors was quite limited, which was experienced as unfavourable by both the board and the Board of Advisors. After the half year point this feeling of discontent was discussed and after that the communication and information flow to and from both sides greatly improved. In the past half year there was a  
640 meeting about once every three weeks, which was experienced as more successful than one meeting every quartile as was done in the first half year since the Board of Advisors and the board could keep each other more up to date in times of strictly online communication.

Overall the Board of Advisors properly carried out their tasks with regards to checking the General Member Meeting documents and helped greatly with supporting the board after  
645 Jonathan Matarazzi's departure. Not all members of the Board of Advisors could be present for all meetings, but this was not perceived as a problem.

During the change General Member Meeting there was some discussion regarding the diversity of the Board of Advisors. The board feels that the fact that four out of six members were from the previous board and the fact that there were no external members were not a limiting factor  
650 at any point during the year.

#### 4.7.10. Audit committee

At the start of the year, some communication issues existed between the Audit Committee and the Treasurer. After the change of functions within the board, the Audit committee proved essential in making sure Proto stays financially healthy. The Audit committee has overseen the  
655 education of the new Treasurer, Sebastiaan van Loon, and Candidate Treasurer and has helped and supported with general questions.

## 5. Committees

### 5.1. Forming Committees

Two online committee markets were organized this year, with the second one offering free food delivered at home. Despite this, attendance at the markets was far lower than expected. At the  
660 second market many of the people that did sign up to receive food did not show up at the market. A followup mail was sent to all attendees of the committee market to showcase some of the committee options they missed and send them a reminder that they could still sign up for committees. A more general promotion has been done for committees on WhatsApp.  
665 Committee promotion has also been done among peers and by word of mouth by the board and other members. Some committees that were especially in need of new members were also

featured on Instagram, but this did not seem to help very much. The board expects that approaching members directly was the most successful.

## **5.2. Acquisition Committee**

670 See 4.5.2.

## **5.3. Activity Committee Extraordinaire**

This year, the ACE focussed mostly on activities that last multiple days. At the start of the year, they organised single-evening activities of which the first (capture the flag) had to be cancelled due to COVID and the second (online murder dinner) did not attract enough participants. In  
675 May, they organised a week-long puzzle hunt together with the Lustrum Committee, which was a success. They also started organising a Taskmaster week, but this was postponed to next academic year to give the committee enough time to prepare for the activity. To end the year, the committee organised a tie-dye activity. Four out of five old members will leave the committee, so new members have also been invited to join the committee for next year. Seven  
680 people have expressed interest and will all become a part of the committee next year. This increase is a result of preference of the candidate board responsible.

## **5.4. Almanac Committee**

This committee has worked very hard to design and publish the almanac for the second lustrum of Proto. The book was published on the 10th of May and was very well received by the  
685 members. Although at times it was hard to keep up with everything that had to be done, the committee supported each other well and the tasks were distributed to whoever had the time to finish them. The pick-up of the almanac on campus was well organised, but unfortunately a lot of members did not pick up their almanac on time. The books were moved to the Protopolis where they could later still be picked up by members, whenever the board was present. With  
690 almost €800 of sponsorship acquired, the committee was able to reach their goal and distribute the books for free to everyone that pre-ordered.

## **5.5. Camp Committee**

The Camp Committee has been waiting for a realistic opportunity to reinitiate the organisation of camp. The committee currently aims to organize the camp in October. This camp will be  
695 accessible for both first and second year students of the upcoming academic year. This is to give the first years of academic year 2020-2021 an opportunity to experience camp properly and meet more fellow students in person. The committee has found one extra member, bringing the total committee members to 8. The committee has also started looking for helpers for next year. The committee has struggled with finding a suitable location to hold a camp for a larger group.  
700 As of writing this the location is still uncertain.

## 5.6. Culture Committee

705 This committee organised two fun activities (Sinterklaas present building and Bob Ross paint-along) in the past year. Attendance was not always very high (see the [Appendix](#) for exact numbers), but this did not make the activities less enjoyable. The number of members in the committee was not very high (three members including the board responsible) since some older members left the committee and only one new member was found after the first committee market. Near the end of the year, the board responsible for this committee became Imke Verschuren, but Frank Lammers took over the practical tasks of that function within the committee. This transition went quite smoothly and the committee worked on an idea for a cookbook for Proto members and a 3D-printed harp until the summer. The latter has been extended to next year to provide a fun activity at the start of the academic year as well, the cookbook was postponed to gather more recipes using a physical form instead of a digital one.

## 5.7. DisCo

715 At the start of the year, the DisCo decided not to organise any parties until the 1.5m distance rule was abandoned by the university. This has not happened at any point during the year, so the committee has not been active. The members of the committee intend to pick things up again next year, starting with a party during the Kick-In. Due to issues with the planning, this party unfortunately did not take place.

## 720 5.8. DIYCie 1.0

At the start of the year, the old DIYCie organised the long-awaited LED-matrix activity. The new DIYCie (formerly known as DIYCie 2.0, but since the older DIYCie finished their activity the 2.0 was dropped) started organising another big activity, but due to the workload the committee decided to work on multiple smaller projects involving audio instead. It is not yet sure when exactly these projects will be finished since some committee members are planning on leaving. The goal is to finish at least one project before the end of 2021. Near the end of the year, the board responsible for this committee became Imke Verschuren, but Peter van der Burgt and Sander Koomen took over the practical tasks of that function within the committee. This transition went quite smoothly and the committee made some good progress with prototypes for the new projects. Online building sessions were simply not feasible, so people worked on some sub-parts at home and sat together in small groups as soon as it was allowed again.

## 5.9. EducaCie

See [4.4.1](#).

## 5.10. EEMCS-trip

735 This trip was cancelled due to COVID. The reservations made for the trip to Prague were cancelled and resulting costs were paid, since the boards of all associations decided that it

would be nice for the next EEMCS-trip committee to organise something entirely new. No member was found after the first committee market and the trip was cancelled before the second market took place, so this committee remained empty this year.

## 740 **5.11. EmergenCie**

Most of the year, the EmergenCie could not do a lot. New ERO straps were ordered in January and were perceived as a nice change by the EROs once they needed to use them again. Because of the lockdowns, not all members could do their repeat course. Since trainings are slowly being given again, there is currently a waiting list. Two new EROs joined the committee, 745 but this was only just enough to compensate for the high number of members whose ERO license had expired. Summer courses will be organised by the university which four of the EmergenCie members can attend.

## **5.12. ENTROPcY**

750 The ENTROPcY took a more passive role this year. The belief of the committee was that people were already oversaturated with online activities. Therefore, the committee has decided to hold off on organising an activity. The committee is planning to organise a bigger activity in Q1 next year.

755 The committee has offered to assist the board after the departure of Jonathan Matarazzi, but most of the pressing tasks were already divided among other board members or other active members. This is mainly because this issue was first discussed within the Board of Advisors and most tasks were divided in collaboration with them.

## **5.13. First Year Committee**

760 The First Year Committee went through quite some member changes. In October, one first year member left but two first year members also entered the committee. After the second committee market a third member joined the committee. Throughout the year, the committee organised multiple successful activities, the highlights being a Harry Potter evening and Saboteur evening. A second year responsible has been found for this committee for next year.

## **5.14. FishCie**

765 The FishCie have made sure that the fish survived, even though this was sometimes harder due to restrictions. There were some issues throughout the year with feeding, mainly during the time when students were not allowed to come to the university. The committee found staff members who were willing to help. There was an incident where the fish received way too much food on a day, presumably by the cleaning staff. After hanging up a sign to not feed the fish, this has not happened again. The fish have received living plants and a growth lamp for the plants.

## 770 **5.15. Gala Committee**

This committee consisted of two members (board responsible included) for the biggest part of the year. They started organising a gala dinner since they did not expect a real gala to be possible. A location for this was found, het Wapen van Beckum, and all decorations and transport were arranged. Together with the Lustrum Committee it was decided to combine the  
775 Lustrum and gala dinner. Unfortunately, restaurants were not allowed open at the time of the Lustrum dinner so an online alternative was set up with restaurant Mazza in the city. During this period one member from the Lustrum committee also joined the Gala committee to improve communication between the two committees. This dinner was a success and a new date for the physical dinner will be set by the candidate board. It will not take place any later than the 31st of  
780 December 2021.

## **5.16. GraphiCie**

The GraphiCie has unfortunately only found one new member and will need a number of new members next year. The committee also needs a new chair, as there is no official chair at the moment. The committee has been busy making social media posts as physical posters were not  
785 very useful during the period that all university buildings were closed. The committee improved the look of the association's social media posts a lot and this should definitely be kept up. The committee has introduced a new feedback system using WhatsApp instead of Trello for more and quicker feedback. The new feedback system has been quite successful and makes committee members feel more involved.

## 790 **5.17. Guild of Drafters**

The Guild of Drafters has not had much to do this year. A lot of members have had no practice with drafting this past year. Because of this, the TIPcie plans to organise a reintroduutory course to get people familiar again with Abscint and the Mobitap. The Guild has organised a team building this year, which was well received by those that attended. In the last weeks of the  
795 academic year two additional drinks were held. Despite the lack of additional training, these drinks overall went very well and were well visited.

## **5.18. Handyman Committee**

For this entire year, the Handyman Committee could not carry out their function due to lockdowns. This is why they decided to work out a project with EL-wire where participants could  
800 create their own EL-wire sign. This project unfortunately faced quite some delays throughout the year so ended up being finished in April. The committee then started working on a project for the Acquisition Committee to thank companies for their contribution at an event that is planned for next academic year. Halfway through the year, new members joined the committee where older members left or took on less tasks. Since the committee felt that cookie points did not  
805 really work to motivate members to work on their action points, they started working on a



'Handiest man of the week' board to put in the Protopolis as a hall of fame for a committee member who has contributed to the committee a lot in a certain week.

## **5.19. Have You Tried Turning It Off And On Again committee**

810 The committee has found three new members with a moderate amount of experience. They are currently working on their first projects but still need a lot of orientation before they are fully familiar with all our systems. Unfortunately, the two most experienced members have left the committee at the start of the academic year and the system administration tasks have been transferred to the current chair of the committee and the board responsible. The committee needs a lot of dedication from its members, which is unfortunately not possible for all members, 815 and for this it is still in need of more active members. The new members have also shown interest in becoming more active and taking on some of the system administration tasks so the current system administrators will start transferring their knowledge to these new members as well. Next to this, the committee has been busy documenting the systems they maintain to make it easier for new members to orient themselves.

## **820 5.20. InteracCie**

The InteracCie has found two new members who are very enthusiastic about the committee and try their best to organise activities for the I-Tech master students. Although the committee has tried to organise a number of online activities for the master students not many seemed to be interested. This is most probably due to the nature of online activities. The activities should also 825 be promoted more and sooner. The committee noticed that a lot of master students were not yet members of our association. We hope this can be changed by better introducing the association during the master Kick-In and the start of the academic year.

## **5.21. Integration Week Committee**

For a review on the committee, see the documents of [GMM 40](#).

## **830 5.22. Kick-In Committee CreaTe**

The Kick-In committee started a bit later than planned. Finding enough active participants proved to be tough. Eventually enough participants were found to properly start. With the board having to shift their focus with the departure of [Jonathan Matarazzi](#) and with a general lack of experience within the committee, it became apparent that some extra help was needed. Two 835 older year students who had previously organised the Kick-In were found and they are currently aiding in preparations.

So far it has been difficult to predict what has to be prepared for the Kick-In. There is a good chance that everything will be possible again by this time but as of writing this the exact measurements during the Kick-In are still unknown. The committee is mostly working on

840 physical activities, but does keep the possibility of having to host (partially) online activities in mind.

## **5.23. Lustrum Committee**

845 The Lustrum Committee has been hard at work to make the best of a tough situation. The expectation and aim of this committee was to organise physical activities again. With a lot of uncertainty throughout the year and sadly measures still in place at the time of the Lustrum, the committee had to adapt very quickly. Multiple activities had to take place online, namely, the Hype drink, the Gamble Night, the Beer Tasting, the Gameshow, the Lustrum Dinner, the Cake bake competition, the Brak High-Tea and the Documentary Screening. Some activities had to  
850 be cancelled, namely the Pub Crawl, the Murder Game, the Cantus, the Protolympics, the Robot wars, and Proto Got Talent. The fate of the End party is still undecided, this party might still take place in the upcoming year. So far only the Puzzle Race and the Barbecue could take place physically. The committee made a little profit at the end of the Lustrum period.

## **5.24. OmNomCom**

855 The OmNomCom has had almost nothing to do this year. Due to Proto being closed nothing has had to be restocked regularly this year. Some of the expired food that was still edible was donated to a food bank.

## **5.25. pLAN**

860 The committee has organised many online activities. The committee has not been very serious the last couple years and this is sometimes noticeable in the preparation of events. It was also hard to keep up the spirit while only being able to organise online events. It might be worthwhile to try to get the committee more on track and try to organise more high-effort activities. Although the goal of having more high-effort events has not really been achieved, the number of smaller activities the committee organised were a lot of fun.

## **865 5.26. Protography**

The Protography has found some new members. There have been very few activities where taking pictures was possible. Overall, not much has happened to this committee in the year. It is advised that in the upcoming year a Protography chairman is assigned who is willing to respond to emails and assign activities to Protographers.

## **870 5.27. ProtOpeners**

Unfortunately during the year the Protopolis has not been open for members very often. Due to this, the ProtOpeners committee has not been very active and only during the start of the year was the committee asked to take care of the room when the board was not able to. Despite not

875 being very active this year most of the current ProtOpeners are still excited to come back for the next academic year and look after our association room.

## **5.28. ProtoTrip**

Unfortunately, the ProtoTrip had to be cancelled at the start of the year due to travel restrictions.

## **5.29. SportCie**

880 Throughout the year, the SportCie organised multiple successful events. At the start the committee struggled a little bit to find enough new members, so some older members stayed in the committee. Near the end of the year the board responsible for this committee became Imke Verschuren, but Daniela van Meggelen took over the practical tasks of that function within the committee. This transition went quite smoothly and the committee organised tennis and a visit to AvaTarZ climbing forest after it as well.

## **885 5.30. Symposium Committee**

The Symposium committee has seen a change of supervision halfway through the year. The committee was moved to Jonathan Matarazzi, because the Kick-In committee was moved to Sebastiaan van Loon. Some members have been found after the second committee market, but with the absence of Jonathan Matarazzi, plans for the committee have been put on hold. After 890 Jonathan Matarazzi's departure, Imke Verschuren took over the task of the board responsible for this committee. The committee will continue working on their plans after more committee members have been found.


## **5.31. TIPcie**

895 The TIPcie has not been able to organise many activities this year. At the start, there was a short opportunity to organise outside drinks. However, corona measures quickly became more strict. At the end of the year, the TIPcie was able to organise a few drinks again, which were well received. During the first drinks of the year the committee experimented with holding drinks on Wednesday afternoon instead of Monday. After mixed opinions were received, a small survey was held to determine what day our association prefers. As it turns out, Proto is about 900 evenly divided between Monday and Wednesday, with a very slight preference for Wednesday. Because of this small difference, Proto aims to move its drinks back to Monday. This way Proto drinks will never conflict with other associations.

The TIPcie has also organised an online beer tasting in collaboration with the Beiaard and the Lustrum Committee, and later returned there again near the end of the year when terraces were 905 opening up. Both of these activities were well received and well visited.

The expected losses from SBZ, as discussed in GMM 38, have turned out to be lower than expected, with a maximum expected cost of about 400 euros for our association. The University might even pay this loss.

## 6. Final Words

As might already become evident from this report, not everything went as smoothly as we had hoped. Things were sometimes late or forgotten which sometimes led to frustration from members. We're grateful that you stuck with us and gave us time to find our and Proto's place in a constantly changing world and hope that, now it's all over, you look back on the year with the same pride as we do that we managed to pull through together. Stay safe, stay healthy and get vaccinated! 

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## 7. Appendix A - Overview of all activities between February 2021 and September 2021

Date/Time	Event	Organising committee	Signups
2021-02-01 19:30	Jackbox Game Night	pLAN	12

2021-02-03 12:45	Board Interest Lunch	Association Board	18
2021-02-04 20:00	Harry Potter Evening	First Year Committee	16
2021-02-10 9:00	Online Career Fair	Acquisition Committee	-
2021-02-11 19:30	Team Fortress 2 Activity	pLAN	11
2021-02-12 19:00	Lustrum Beer Tasting with Beiaard	Lustrum Committee	26
2021-02-14 0:01	Cookiemonster face mask order	Association Board	21
2021-02-14 0:01	Proto logo face mask order	Association Board	36
2021-02-15 20:00	Chats with previous Board members	Association Board	16
2021-02-17 12:45	Online workshop 'How to deal with stress'	<i>External</i>	-
2021-02-17 19:30	GMM 40	Association Board	14
2021-03-01 19:30	EEMCS Workshop: Effective Digital Communication	External	0
2021-03-02 19:30	Time Management Workshop	<i>Acquisition Committee</i>	-
2021-03-03 12:00	Dicord chillings	Association Board	-
2021-03-04 20:00	Bob Ross Paint Along	Culture Committee	19
2021-03-08 20:00	Gala dinner theme announcement	Gala Committee	15
2021-03-10 12:00	Chillin on Mibo	Association Board	-
2021-03-11 19:30	Dungeons & Dragons One-Shot	pLAN	27
2021-03-15 12:45	Creative Innovations Brainstorm	Association Board	8
2021-03-15 20:00	Lustrum Gameshow	Lustrum Committee	35
2021-03-17 19:00	[POSTPONED] Lustrum Build your own Robot night	Lustrum Committee	26
2021-03-18 19:30	GMM 41: Semi-annual Financial Report Board 10.0	Association Board	10
2021-03-19 12:45	Committee Market	Association Board	29
2021-03-22 15:00	Workshop Startups: Theory vs. Practice	External	15
2021-03-23 19:30	Chess Tournament	<i>pLAN</i>	11
2021-03-24 12:00	Mibo chilling	Association Board	-
2021-03-24 20:00	Lustrum Hype drink	Lustrum Committee	9
2021-03-25 12:45	Career help by TalentIT	Acquisition Committee	6
2021-03-26 13:00	EEMCS faculty council interest lunch	External	-
2021-03-27 11:00	Turning of the Seasons Pre-Activity: Suit fitting	<i>Gala Committee</i>	3

2021-03-31 12:00	Discord & Chill	Association Board	-
2021-03-31 20:00	Turning of the Seasons Pre-Activity: Wine tasting	Gala Committee	24
2021-04-01 20:00	Eggsellent Easter	External	4
2021-04-05 10:00	Almanac Pre-order (Pick-up)	<i>Almanac Committee</i>	106
2021-04-05 10:00	Almanac Pre-order (Shipping)	Almanac Committee	30
2021-04-06 19:30	I-Tech Speed Dates (non-members welcome)	InteracCie	3
2021-04-07 19:30	Among Us 3!	pLAN	-
2021-04-09 12:30	CreaTe M11 Feedback Panel	EducaCie	5
2021-04-16 20:00	EEMCS Freshmen Activity	External	0
2021-04-19 20:00	Get to know your fellow students pubquiz	<i>Association Board</i>	-
2021-04-20 17:30	[POSTPONED] Turning of the Seasons Lustrum gala dinner	Gala Committee	85
2021-04-20 17:30	[POSTPONED] Turning of the Seasons Lustrum gala dinner - Date sign-up	Gala Committee	12
2021-04-20 18:00	Online gala dinner	Gala Committee	32
2021-04-20 19:00	Werewolves of Protopolis	Lustrum Committee	16
2021-04-21 20:00	Do-group info evening	Kick-In Committee CreaTe	2
2021-04-22 16:30	Batavierenrace	SportCie	19
2021-04-23 10:00	Do-Group signup	Kick-In Committee CreaTe	-
2021-04-26 12:45	CelebrACEion X: Lustrum Puzzle rACE	Activity Committee Extraordinaire	17
2021-04-26 20:00	YER Time Management Workshop	Acquisition Committee	-
2021-04-28 19:00	[Cancelled] Lustrum Chill Night	Lustrum Committee	10
2021-04-29 19:30	Master Market	EducaCie	42
2021-05-02 20:00	Lustrum Cake baking competition	Lustrum Committee	13
2021-05-03 19:30	[Cancelled] I-Tech - Movie Night & Discussion	InteracCie	3
2021-05-05 20:00	Online Lingo Night	Association Board	3
2021-05-07 20:00	GoD teambuilding	Guild Of Drafters	10
2021-05-08 10:00	Make Your Own Glow Sign - Discord Session	Handyman Committee	3
2021-05-11 12:45	Lustrum Brak High Tea	Lustrum Committee	24

2021-05-12 12:45	EQIB Job Application workshop	Acquisition Committee	9
2021-05-12 14:00	Game Guild: Pixel Art Workshop	External	-
2021-05-12 19:30	Online Dominion	<i>pLAN</i>	12
2021-05-16 0:00	Together We Jam - Lustrum Songs Album Pre-Order	Lustrum Songciety	17
2021-05-17 19:00	EEMCS LinkedIn Workshop	External	11
2021-05-18 19:45	Tamaguino workshop by Q42	<i>Acquisition Committee</i>	20
2021-05-26 19:00	CreaTe Y1: Studynight Algorithms	EducaCie	9
2021-05-26 20:00	Saboteur	First Year Committee	6
2021-05-27 19:30	Among Us!	pLAN	10
2021-05-31 16:00	Finally! A drink	TIPcie	22
2021-05-31 20:00	Study Trip Information Presentation	Foundation ICE	26
2021-06-01 19:30	CreaTe Y2: Studynight General	EducaCie	14
2021-06-02 15:00	[Cancelled] Lustrum Protolympics	Lustrum Committee	12
2021-06-02 19:30	I-Tech Game Night	InteracCie	3
2021-06-03 9:00	Active Member Activity	Association Board	40
2021-06-07 18:30	[Cancelled] Lustrum Robot Wars	Lustrum Committee	9
2021-06-09 19:30	League of Legends Tournament	pLAN	10
2021-06-10 20:00	Lustrum Documentary	Lustrum Committee	16
2021-06-14 15:30	Monday Afternoon Drink!	TIPcie	45
2021-06-14 19:30	I-Tech Open Studynight	EducaCie	0
2021-06-15 20:00	Camp helpers needed!	Camp Committee	19
2021-06-16 17:00	Tennis workshop ft. T.C. Ludica	SportCie	17
2021-06-20 23:58	Study Trip Sign-up	Foundation ICE	-

## 8. Appendix B - Results of the annual member survey

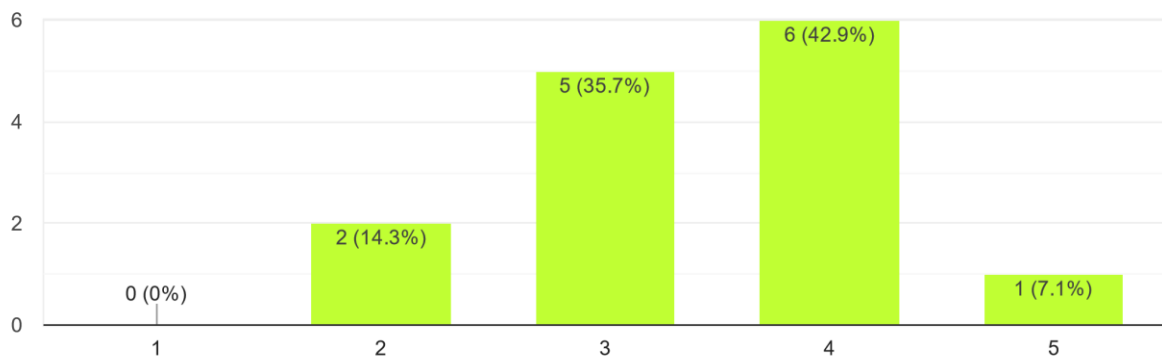
The annual survey was filled in by 14 people.

### 945 8.1. Questions regarding education

#### 8.1.1. Proto has presented itself as an educational association this year.

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14 responses



#### 8.1.2. Do you think Proto should present itself as an educational association\* and why (not)? \*(With 'educational association' it is meant that the focus moves from social activities to primarily educational activities and services)

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- Proto should be there to facilitate help, guidance and bonding for students and chill with other (old) boards such as the one of E.T.S.V Scintilla.

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- I think that the general social activities vs educational activities division is alright.
- Next to being a study association, a great part of Proto is the social aspect. So I think it should be a 50-50 balance between educational and social activities. Maybe even more social.

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- I think it should do both: present itself as an educational association and be there when educational issues come up, but also serve as a community for students within CreaTe and I-Tech (which can be achieved through social activities).
- There were little possibilities to host educational activities, so my answer would be no, not really. However, it is understandable that little to no (educational) activities were held.



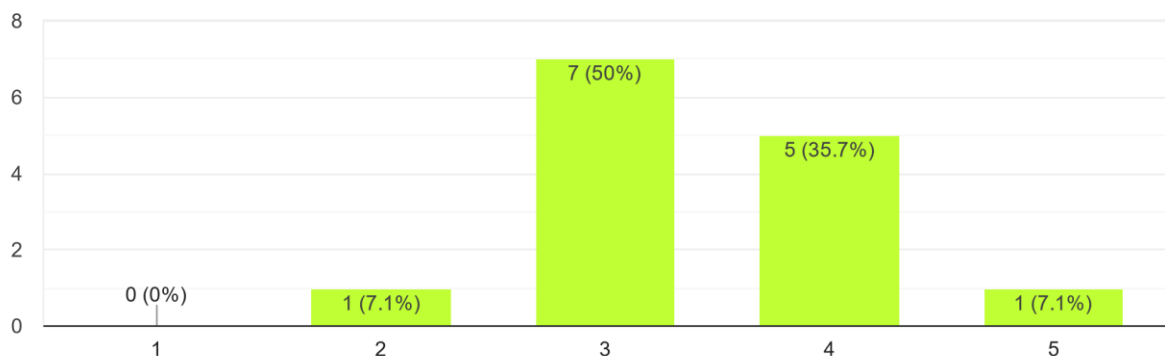
- 965 - Yes and no. I think educational elements are good to have, but the community building in the shape of social activities is equally as important; however, that does not mean that we should organize 20 drinks per week ofcourse. There are multiple ways to organize social activities. And even a combination (social + educational) might be good to look into.
- 970 - No, activities are nice to spend the time
- Yes, as it's the accompanying association for our study. Although many activities are social, it is and should still be the organisation you go to for educational activities or services.
- 975 - It could use more of the "educational association" vibe as now it is mostly for fun. Which is fine, but I think people forget that Proto can offer a lot of things on the educational level as it is a STUDY association
- I personally don't think we need to move any focus, the two can exist in parallel, and I think the social aspect of a study association has shown its importance very much in the past year
- 980 - Mainly some support for graduation phases would be nice. (helping with creating study-group or something). It now feels as walking though a desert without support

## 8.2. Questions regarding the board of S.A. Proto

### 8.2.1. The board has functioned well this year.

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14 responses

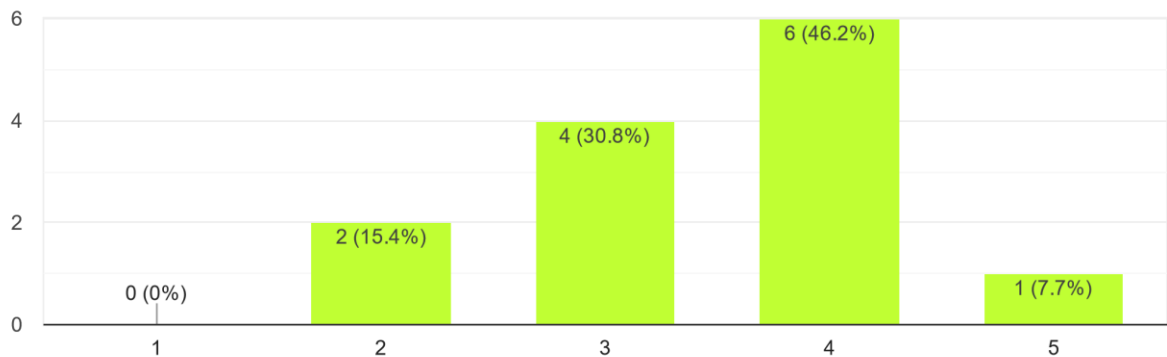


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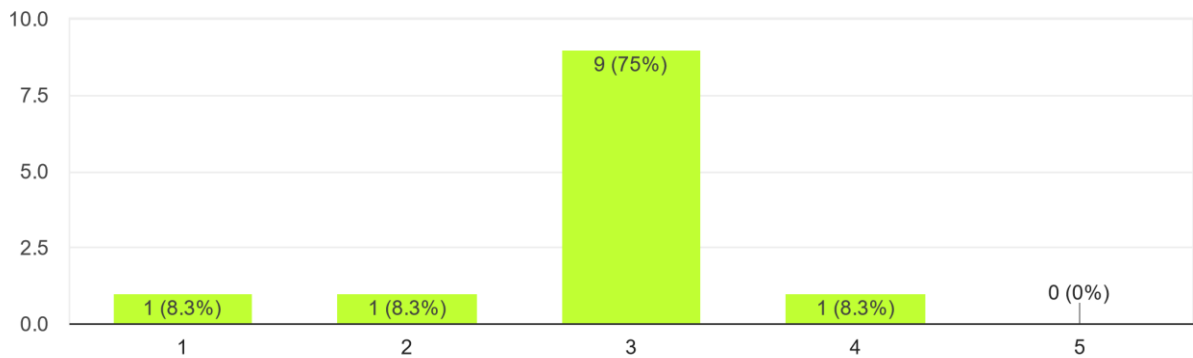


8.2.3. The board has been more on top of their committees since February.

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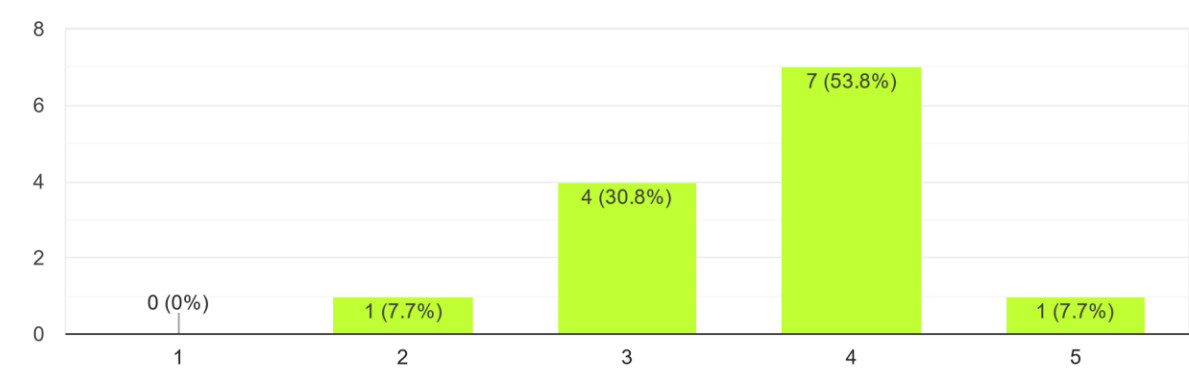
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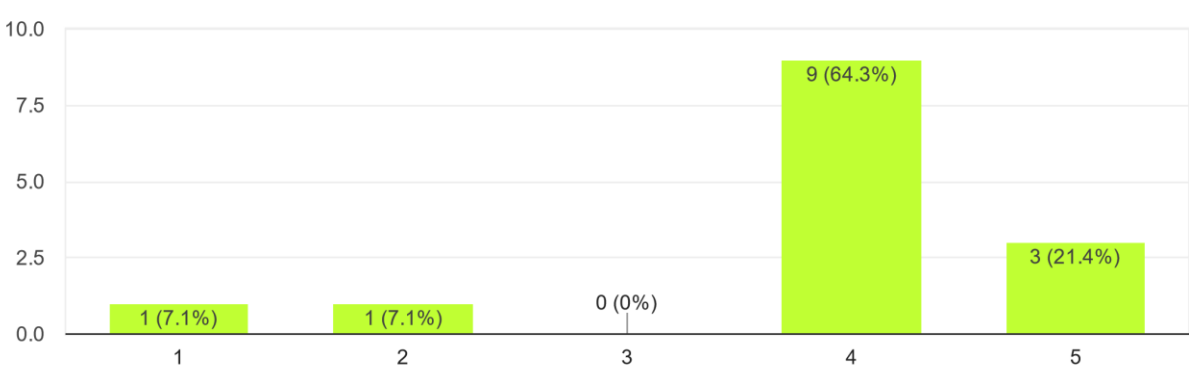
8.2.4. The board has become more open to member suggestions throughout the year.

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13 responses



8.2.5. The board has given me enough opportunities to give feedback.

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14 responses

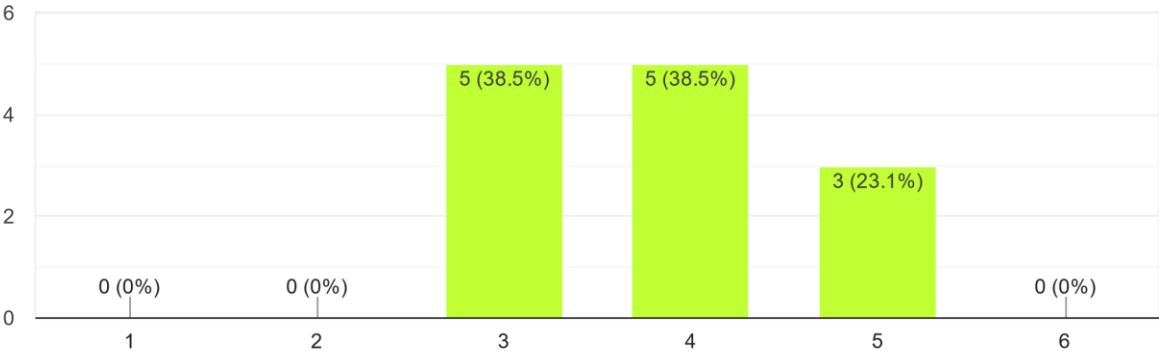


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8.2.6. The board has accepted (most of) my feedback and improved upon these points.

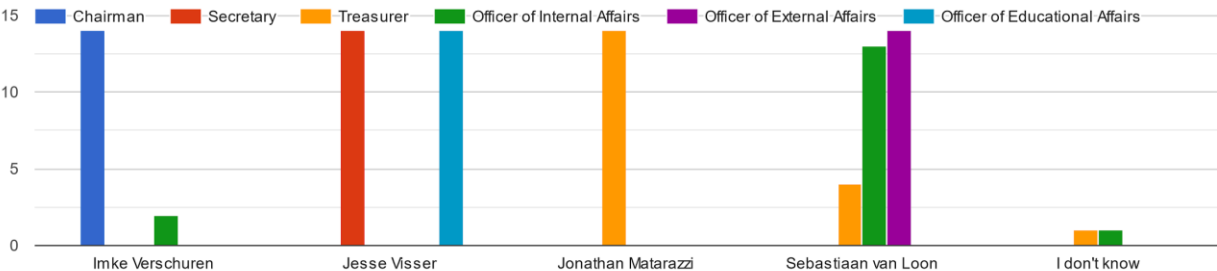
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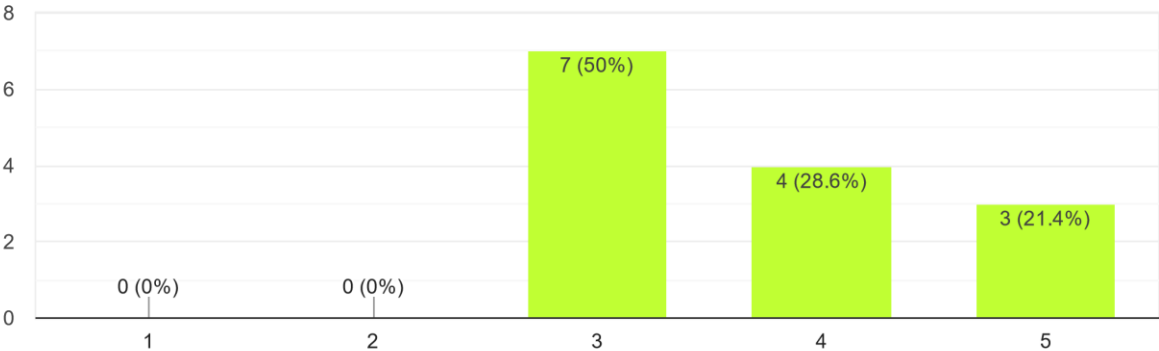
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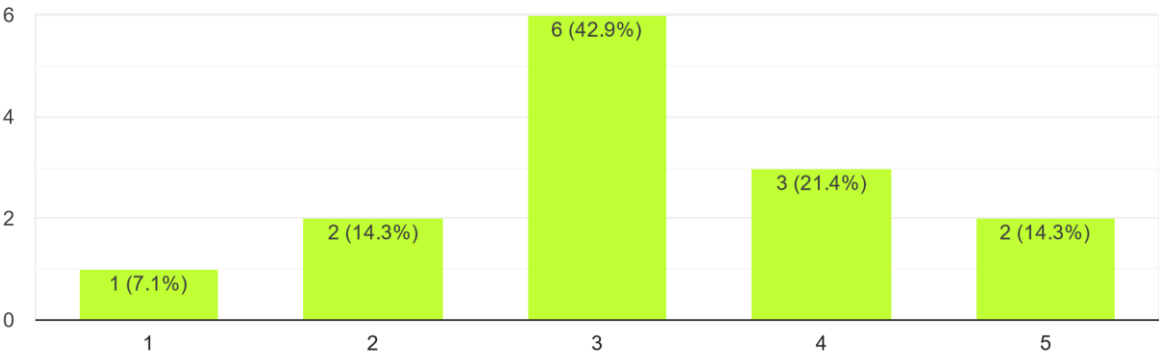
1005 8.2.8. Communication with the board has become easier throughout the year.

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14 responses



8.2.9. I feel that S.A. Proto's presence (both online and offline) has grown this past year.

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14 responses



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8.2.10. Is there anything you'd like to add about the functioning of the board in the past year?

- You are all great people and deserve all the love 🥰❤️
- While it's been a tough year, I do admire how you guys still keep going.

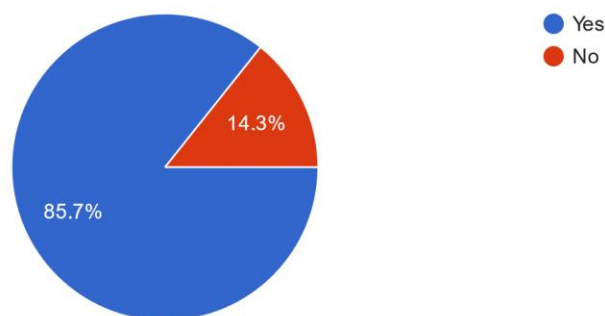
- 1015
- You have had a tough year. While there have been quite some hiccups and points to improve upon, you have not given up. Thank you for staying strong and working through it all.
  - I felt like, especially near the end, the board responsables were not really actively present anymore. The extent to which differed per board member, but I noticed this especially
- 1020
- with Jesse. This was a bit frustrating sometimes. It might have been good to discuss this.
  - Not every board responsible put as much effort in their committees as would have been desirable
  - Presence of Proto has grown in different ways. As there was more possible physically or
- 1025
- with packages for pick-up, the activities felt more like activities rather than just online. About the functioning on the board I still believe they were behind the facts and that they did not encourage committees to try their hardest and flourish. This had to come from the committees themselves (I felt)
  - they managed the falling out of Jonathan well, it must have been hard work
- 1030
- Just one big compliment to all of you, you managed to do something I cannot even imagine, fulfilling six board roles with four (and at the end of the year three) people. It is an amazing achievement so thank you for holding on this year!
  - You did great, even with such a small board and so much trouble on the way!

### 1035 8.3. Questions regarding the committees of S.A. Proto

#### 8.3.1. Are you a member of a committee?

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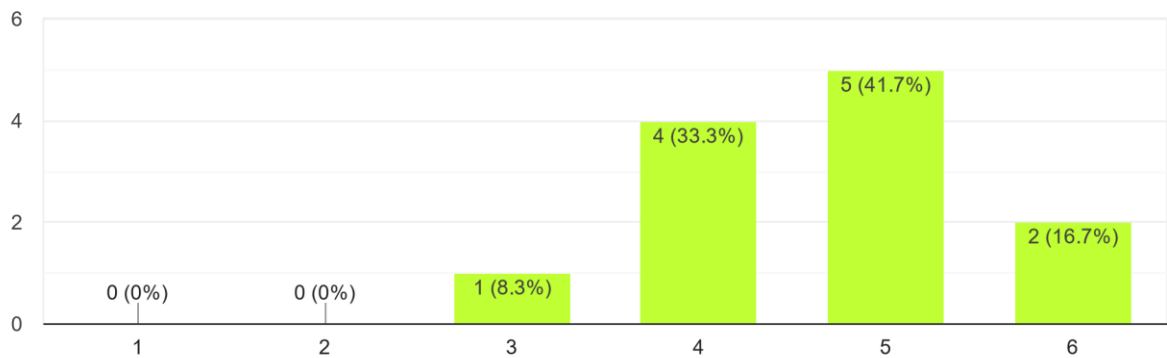
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8.3.2. I enjoyed my time as a committee member this year.

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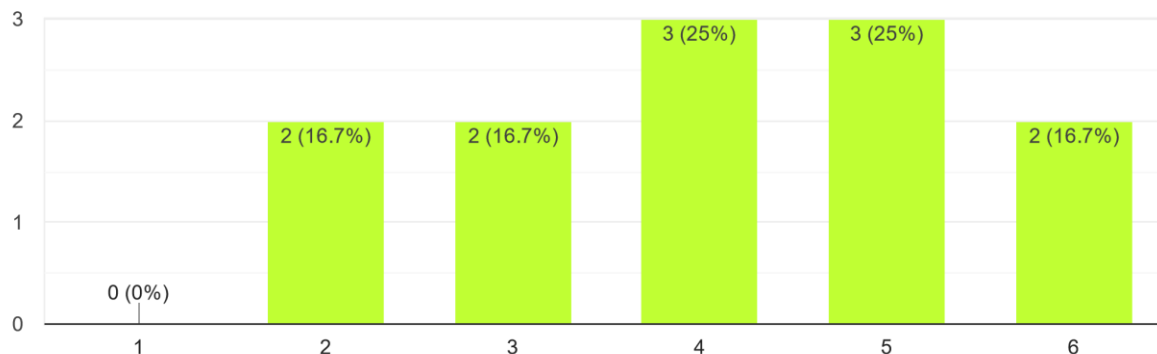


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- 8.3.3. Would you like to be part of a committee (again) next year and why (not)?
- Yes, activism has been great fun.
  - Yeah, because I am already a big part of the proto community and still like it that way
  - Yes, I liked being active
- 1045
- Definitely, I very much enjoyed the contact and conversation in the committee and hope to be able to spend more time on it coming year.
  - I would if I can find the time, but a small committee.
  - Yes
- 1050
- Maybe, mostly for the continuation of the committee itself tho. I definitely want to scale down the amount of committee work I do.
  - Yes, I think joining committees this year was the perfect way for me to on one hand learn a lot and on the other meet new people (which was really nice since it was quite hard to do so the previous year). And of course after all these online activities I am hyped to organize some physical ones!
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- yes, just to remain part of proto I guess

### 8.3.4. I feel appreciated as an active member.

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12 responses



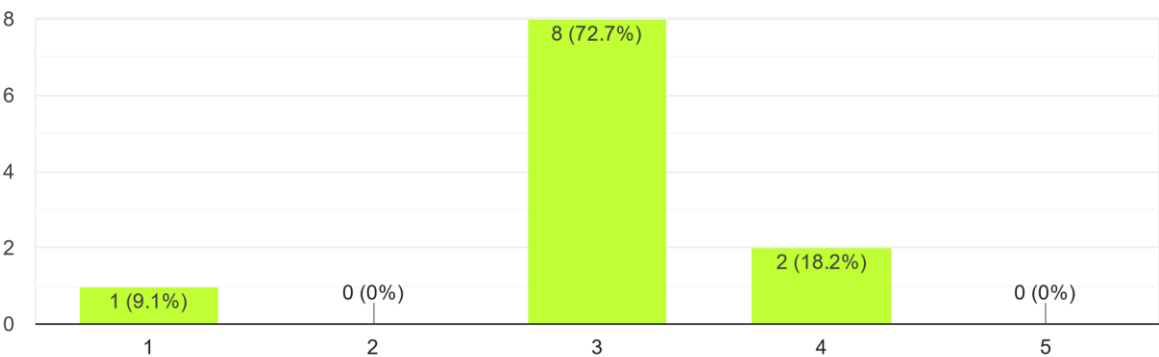
### 8.3.5. Why do/don't you feel appreciated?

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- The AMA made me feel appreciated.
  - I do think this has improved over the past half year, but it's still a minor issue: It really enthuses committee members when their board member is enthusiastic about their performances and action points done. Just a simple "Nice" or "Well done" when a committee member has done a big action point goes a long way for the whole committee.
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- Personally I do not feel a lot has changed since the halfyearly survey. It was nice that we went to the Efteling, but in my opinion, board responsables were not more appricative towards committee members and it's a bit sad that the promised active member package is still not here, especially since people are now on holidays and such.
- 1070
- I have not really seen anything that would make me feel appreciated. Except for the AMA, that was fun :)
  - With the WhatsApp groups and Active Member Activity and just plain gezellige people in the association I do feel appreciated.
  - I feel appreciated by the fellow Proto-members and the fellow committee members most of the time. The board does not seem to share their gratitude towards committee-members and I did not feel this gratitude either. Not during the committee work, results the committee put forth nor at the end of the year
- 1075
- AMA, committee clothing budget
  - Efteling was nice! Apart from that I don't see it a lot however.
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- Especially the active member activity to the Efteling was loads of fun :)
  - it's difficult digital now. So eh?



8.3.6. I feel that committees were sufficiently promoted in the second half of the year.

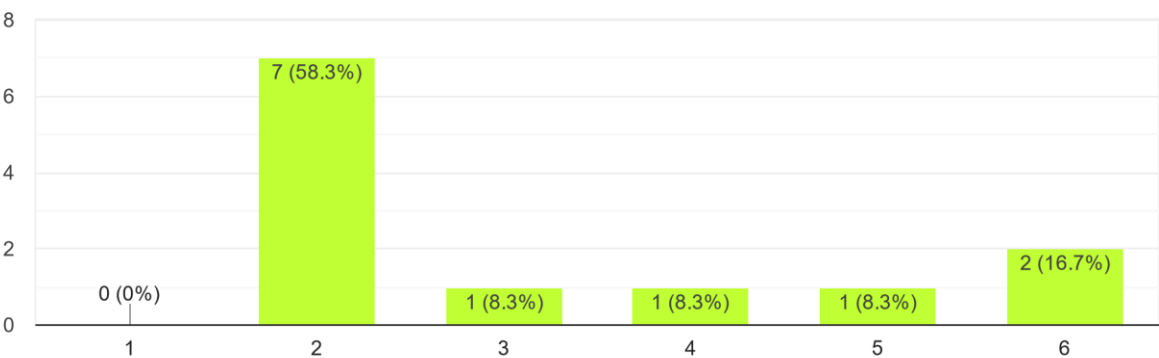
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8.3.7. My board responsible motivates my committee.

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12 responses



8.4. Activities organised by S.A. Proto

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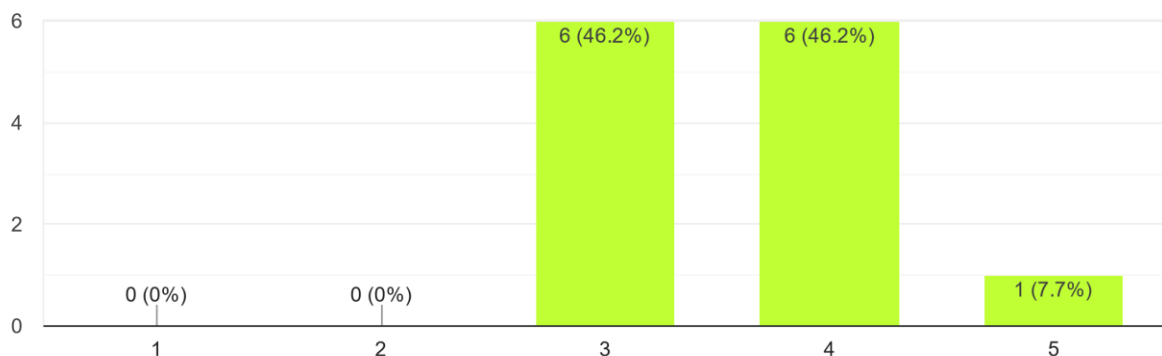
- Nice drinks at the end of the year!
- I think you've been quite original in the online activity ideas, which is really hard, so well done!

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- We made the most of it! As soon as offline activities were possible again, some nice activities were held. The online activities also had their own charms, but in an obvious different way.
  - As far as possible, they were fun. In the end, I felt like not all opportunities were grasped.
  - With the Corona measures they made the most out of it the activities with what was possible and I felt they couldn't do much more then that.
- 1100
- At the end of the year more activities with physical aspects or more well-rounded online activities were organized which was nice!
  - online < in person
  - Fun given the circumstances
  - Of course because of corona they were not as great as they could have been. However,
- 1105
- I think all committees did their best to organize fun activities for all members.
  - fun, but I didn't have time to go :(

#### 8.4.2. I feel like more online activities with physical aspects have been organised since February.

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13 responses



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#### 8.4.3. Is there anything you would like to see differently next year, or an activity you'd love to see organised?

- I'd love to see a soldering course at Proto
  - Cantus! And hopefully (finally) a camp.
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- Not really, I hope that we will not have an overload of activities next year, since we can go back to physical again. I also hope there will be a bigger focus on pleasing master students (first, it needs to be determined what exactly it is they want)
  - An event where you can trade (?) clothes; Cantus; A workshop + social event combination (YER organizes this); Something like an action painting or graffiti event;

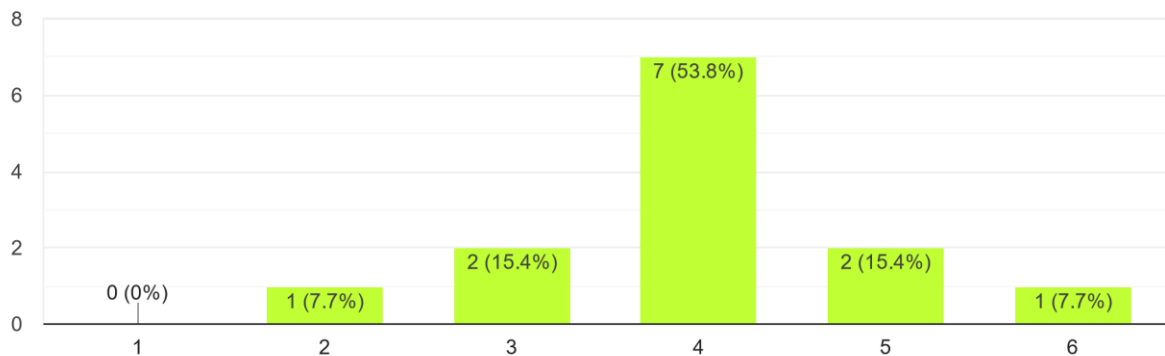
- 1120 - More "complete" activities with a clear start, activity and closing off (especially online this is important I think). Also other activities that are more on a drop-in method, so not a start, mid and end, but where anybody can walk in whenever (like we can at the drink). Maybe those activities are inviting to more types of members as they are less of a commitment (maybe/?)
- 1125 - Real-life robot wars  
- Really hoping the gala can continue next year!!  
- Weekend activities! I don't have time during the week!

#### 8.4.4. I have seen the quality and amount of activity promotion improve this year.

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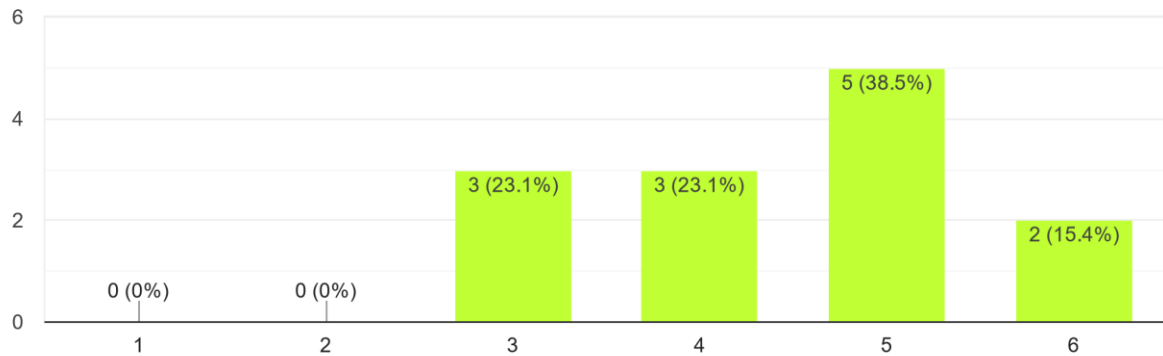
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8.4.5. I have seen enough creative activities this year.

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13 responses



8.4.6. Do you have any other comments about the activities of this year?

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- You did well withing the boundaries you had
- Committees needed and need to in the future set up better, more creative and more concrete promotion plans
- Promo was difficult this year. I often didn't know about something until it showed up in my calendar for the week

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## 8.5. Remaining comments

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