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ELTE ÁJK DÖK President's Report

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Dear Members of the Assembly of Delegates,

I hereby wish to inform you of the tasks I have carried out as President of the Doctoral Student Union of the Faculty of Law. This report covers the month of September 2026.

1. Calendar of Events

September 16. **EDÖK Presidium meeting**

September 22. **Faculty Council meeting**

2. Report

The central task of September 2026, for every faculty, was to conduct the election of representatives to the Faculty Assembly of Delegates and to recruit applicants for it. Forming the composition of the Assembly is of fundamental importance for the functioning of doctoral student representation, since the legitimacy and effective work of the body largely depend on a broad range of doctoral students taking part in selecting the representatives, and on a sufficient number of well-prepared candidates taking on a role in the representation.

From the Faculty of Law, five persons applied by the originally announced deadline. Based on the decision of the Executive Board of the University Doctoral Student Union (EDÖK) of 2 October 2026, the application deadline has been extended; the new deadline is 9 October 2026. The extension allows doctoral students who have not yet decided on applying to join the process as well, so that the election can take place with a broader pool of candidates and higher participation.

On 16 September 2026, I attended the meeting of the EDÖK Presidium, the main questions of which likewise revolved around the election of representatives. At the meeting we discussed by what means the level of student representation could be increased, how the turnout in the elections could be raised, and how PhD students could be brought closer to the work of the Doctoral Student Union.

The first Faculty Council meeting of the semester was held on 22 September 2026, in which I took part as the doctoral student representative. The central topic of the meeting was the determination of the semester's work and meeting schedule, which provides a framework for the faculty's decision-making in the autumn semester; personnel matters followed on the agenda.

The Faculty Council elected Balázs Gellér and Miklós Márton as heads of department, appointed Bertold Baranyi and István Gass as assistant professors, and Eszter Horváth will continue her work as an assistant lecturer. In view of the personnel changes at the Department

of Administrative Law, Marcell Kárász and Krisztián Renner-Kis will be employed on fixed-term contracts.

Jubilee diplomas were also presented at the meeting, after which the Dean summarised the results of the admission procedure. The faculty has secured the highest number of state-funded scholarship places in years, and the funding made available by the government also made it possible to retain the criminology programme. We were able to implement a significant increase in student numbers in the law, political science and criminology programmes alike, which can be regarded as a favourable development for both the faculty's educational offering and its student body.

The meeting also addressed the more important events of the semester, namely KOMON, the commemoration organised on the anniversary of the 1956 Revolution and the related commemorative performance of this year's mock trial society, as well as organisational questions concerning the faculty TDK (Students' Scientific Circle) conference of 5 November 2026 and next year's OTDK (National Students' Scientific Conference). The latter deserves particular attention, since organising the faculty-level conference and preparing the later national conference also offer doctoral students an opportunity to get involved.

The most important task of the coming period is the successful conclusion of the election of representatives; to this end, we will continue to try to reach as many doctoral students as possible until the application deadline expires.

Thank you for reading my report; should you have any questions or comments,

please feel free to contact me!

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