

ELTE TTK DÖK Presidential Report

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Dear Delegate Assembly!

I would like to inform you about the tasks I have performed as the President of the Doctoral Student Self-Government of the Faculty of Natural Sciences. I prepared the report for May, 2026.

Event Calendar

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| May 4. | Doctoral Open Day |
| May 5. | TDT meeting |
| May 6. | Dean's Council and Faculty Council |
| May 13. | Extraordinary TDT vote |
| May 18. | Participation in the EDÖK Presidency meeting |
| May 27. | Extraordinary Faculty Council – Voting on the 2027 budget |
| May 29. | Regular meeting of the EDÖK Delegate Assembly |

Report

In May, the tasks related to the Doctoral Open Day, primarily its preparation, proved to be a serious task. We organized catering for the Doctoral Open Day together with the President of the Doctoral Student Council, András Gombás, and to inform those interested, I invited one or two doctoral students from all six doctoral schools who could answer student-specific questions.

I gave a presentation on behalf of the TTK DÖK at the event. In my presentation, I presented the advantages of applying to be a representative in the TTK DÖK, and I encouraged future first-year students to apply to be a representative.

I think the event was a great success from the perspective of the TTK Doctoral Student Council, as we proved that this year's DÖK leadership is capable of supporting such an important event and, upon request, is also capable of mobilizing doctoral students who did not participate in the TTK DÖK Delegate Assembly.

Nothing worthwhile was said at the TTK DÖK meeting on May 5, as was the extraordinary TDT vote.

In contrast, at the Faculty Council on May 6, it was proposed that the relevant paragraphs of the Cooperative Doctoral Training be included in the doctoral regulations. I supported the proposal, but I drew the faculty management's attention to the resolution adopted by the EDÖK Delegate Assembly, including that anyone who is in the DKK but is reclassified to paid training should have the opportunity to be reclassified from there to a state-supported place. I also drew attention to an inaccuracy in the wording in the government decree, which was transferred to the text of the doctoral regulations. After we discussed these at the Dean's Council, I only said at the Faculty Council that we support the proposal, since they only concerned the correct interpretation of the regulations.

The preparation for the EDÖK meeting and the EDÖK meeting took place in the second half of the month. These included current organizational issues, developments related to Cooperative Doctoral Training, the transformation of the questionnaires for student feedback on teaching work (OHV), the preparation of the autumn representative elections, the discussion of the presidential report, a petition for an increase in the doctoral student scholarship, as well as the amendment of the EDÖK Statutes and the preparation of its English-language version. In addition, a "presidential representative responsible for strategic matters" was appointed.

At the end of May, an extraordinary Faculty Council meeting was held in the Dean's Council Room, with the only item on the agenda being the discussion of the budget situation. Without mentioning any specific numbers, the head of the economic office and the university chancellor are optimistic about next year's budget, because all planned expenses are covered, meaning that the situation of the Faculty of Economics has improved compared to last year, but a salary increase cannot be planned in the current situation, but in the event of additional resources being involved, the Faculty management assured those present that their first task will be to settle

salaries. From the perspective of doctoral students, it may be positive that next year there will be minimally more resources than in 2026 for the operation of the doctoral schools operating at the Faculty of Economics. Thank you for reading my report. Please contact me with confidence if you have any questions or comments!

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