

1-30 June, 2026

1. Calendar of Events

Date	Activity	Participants
2026. 06. 02.	International Freshman Camp organizers' meeting	InSINC, EDÖK, EHÖK, ISAC, ESN
2026. 06. 03.	Talent Management Council	TGT members
2026. 06. 04.	Consultation	Levente Szemerédi, Presidential Commissioner
2026. 06. 05.	Scientific Council	TT members
2026. 06. 09.	Consultation	Botond Géza Gereczi, President of TTK DÖK
2026. 06. 09.	International Freshman Camp organizers' meeting	InSINC, EDÖK, EHÖK, ISAC, ESN
2026. 06. 10.	Consultation	Dr. Luca Erdei, InSINC coordinator
2026. 06. 10.	Consultation	Levente Szemerédi, Presidential Commissioner
2026. 06. 13.	EHÖK Electoral General Assembly	EHÖK General Assembly members, invitees, guests
2026. 06. 15.	Consultation	Dr. Péter Vámosi, President of DOSZ
2026. 06. 16.	Ministry consultation	Dr. Judit Lannert, Dr. Sándor Katz; DOSZ, HÖÖK, ESN, NIT delegates
2026. 06. 16.	Consultation	Dr. Luca Erdei, InSINC coordinator
2026. 06. 16.	International Freshman Camp organizers' meeting	InSINC, EDÖK, EHÖK, ISAC, ESN
2026. 06. 17.	Educational Organization and Student Affairs Committee	OHÜB members
2026. 06. 17.	Consultation	Levente Szemerédi, Presidential Commissioner
2026. 06. 17.	EDÖK General Assembly regular session	EDÖK General Assembly members
2026. 06. 22.	Consultation	Dr. Lilla Kóczián, DKÖP coordinator
2026. 06. 22.	University Leadership Meeting	University Leaders
2026. 06. 22.	Senate	Senate members
2026. 06. 22.	Consultation	Dr. Lénárd Darázs, Rector
2026. 06. 23.	Consultation	Dr. Emília Rikker, Director of Legal Affairs, Dr. Luca Erdei, InSINC coordinator
2026. 06. 23.	SH Excellence Awards Evaluation Committee preparation	Committee members

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2026. 06. 23.	International Freshman Camp organizers' meeting	InSINC, EDÖK, EHÖK, ISAC, ESN
2026. 06. 24-25.	Eurodoc Conference	Eurodoc, DOSZ, guests
2026. 06. 30.	DOSZ General Assembly	DOSZ General Assembly members, Dokháló contact person

2. Detailed Report

Ministry consultation

On the day following the consultation with the rectors on June 15, at the invitation of the DOSZ Presidency, I was able to participate as a member of the 6-person DOSZ delegation in the ministry consultation with student organizations, meeting with Minister Dr. Judit Lannert and State Secretary Dr. Sándor Katz. The day prior to the consultation, I consulted with DOSZ President Péter Vámosi regarding the preparation of the negotiation materials, sharing with him the EDÖK proposal package that had been previously reviewed by the EDÖK Presidency. All of its essential substantive elements were incorporated into the DOSZ negotiation material. During the approximately one-and-a-half-hour consultation, DOSZ President Péter Vámosi primarily addressed the issues affecting doctoral students, and it was typically the presidents of the other organizations' delegations who also took the floor.

The Minister highlighted the following keywords on behalf of the Ministry of Education and Children's Affairs regarding its higher education strategy:

- **student-centeredness:** the ministry respects self-governance, considers active citizenship an important part of the 21st-century university concept, therefore plans to form participatory groups, and intends to consult with higher education actors on a partnership basis.
- **data-driven approach:** they plan to make their decisions in a data-driven manner, and intend to make existing databases interconnectable and searchable alongside appropriate GDPR certificates.

She also added that in terms of per capita funding, our country is in a good position within the higher education sector in an EU context, thus she primarily considers the funding distribution mechanism to be in need of a review.

Regarding sector policy, the State Secretary shared the following plans with us:

- **2026:** views it as a transitional year; the legal status of universities operating in the KEKVA model must be settled as soon as possible to enable their return to the Erasmus and Horizon programs; **steps must be taken this year to settle the financial situation of state-maintained universities.**
- **2027:** they plan to introduce a new higher education act to stabilize and advance the medium-term situation of the sector; the contract-based funding framework is not considered an idea to be dismissed.

Regarding doctoral training, the State Secretary also:

- raised the idea that the current 3-tier system of doctoral training should be simplified, regarding which they also intend to hold consultations with the science portfolio;
- acknowledged that the dropout rate is extremely high in the current training system, to which the **low basic funding** and the opaque, **unpredictable supplementary funding** system contribute greatly.

As an initial consultation, no agreement was reached on specific measures, but the initiation of substantive dialogue in itself can be considered a significant step forward. In preparation for further consultations, it is of paramount importance to support and facilitate our internal strategy-making processes and our external communication. We can demonstrate substantive progress in both areas this month.

Two articles were published on Eduline about the consultations (Hungarian press articles with translated English titles):

- [2026. 06. 16. Judit Lannert consulted with student organizations on dormitory places, scholarships, and the livelihood of university students](#)
- [2026. 06. 18. Many researchers live on 140 thousand forints a month: the advocacy group for doctoral students asked Judit Lannert for an urgent increase in the scholarship, unchanged for ten years](#)

DOSZ General Assembly

At the 1st General Assembly session of DOSZ in 2026, upon the submission of DOSZ President Péter Vámosi and the substantive proposals of institutional representatives, we unanimously adopted a joint resolution addressed to the Government in the interest of settling the basic doctoral scholarships as soon as possible. The public communication of the resolution has also commenced.

Furthermore, at the meeting, I continued to attempt to act as a mediator between Dokháló, which initiated the petition with over 1700 signatures, and DOSZ. However, the contact person who attended the meeting only participated in the first half of the session, and thus did not take part in the substantive situation assessment and strategy-making negotiations that developed concerning the resolution.

Dokháló

From the perspective of drawing the widest possible attention to settling scholarships, I also consider the [opinion piece published by Dokháló on MÉRCE in recent days](#) to be a positive development and an important momentum, since the drastic decline in the real value of normative basic scholarships is our common and most urgent problem. As I evaluated in my presidential application, significant but narrowly targeted excellence grants have appeared in recent years; however, these truly do not solve the systemic and long-standing deficiencies of base funding.

At the same time, I find it regrettable that the article portrays the work of institutional doctoral students unions and DOSZ as becoming marginalized. The students' frustration over stagnating basic benefits is completely understandable and highlights the fact that official advocacy groups must communicate their goals more visibly and firmly in the future. However, I am convinced that internal reinforcement, rather than external pressure often formulated against official representations, is the way forward.

The democratically elected representative bodies, guaranteed by the higher education act and institutional regulations, can truly be made stronger by active student participation and constructive criticism. I believe that effective advocacy can be achieved through the unity of the doctoral student community, not through internal division. Exactly to this end, in accordance with what was stated at the May EDÖK General assembly, and continuing to recognize the significance of bottom-up initiatives, I will endeavor to take on a role as a mediator as well. My goal is to ease tensions between advocacy bodies and student self-organizations, bridge the divides, and refute negative preconceptions. The interests of the nearly two thousand ELTE doctoral students are best served if we can act in unison, on a strategic basis, free from ideological and party-political overtones.

Public Communication

To advance the public communication of our activities, I have implemented further developments on our Hungarian communication platforms:

1. I created a [Strategy menu item](#) on our website, where our most important strategic news can appear in a tiled layout, continuously updated and traceable over time, in an easily understandable tone. By clicking, our social media content can be displayed in an integrated manner.
2. On the [main page of our website](#), I set up a scrollable, automatically rotating banner, where the latest news can be displayed with a large visual lead.
3. I made our [Facebook page](#) more active, where I regularly post public interest news about our activities. Our post containing the graph depicting the devaluation of doctoral scholarships and the petition reached nearly eight thousand views and one thousand engagements according to Meta statistical data.
4. I launched an [Instagram page](#) for EDÖK, where I also strive to publish the most important news. Despite our currently small follower base, the post about the petition, containing the graph, reached over five thousand views through this new platform as well.

English language developments are planned as the next step for further increase of the visibility of our advancements.

University Leadership Meeting

Prior to the June meeting, I consulted with DKÖP coordinator Lilla Kóczyán about the situation of the phasing-out DKÖP applications. At the meeting, Rector Dr. Lénárd Darázs reported on the developments of the rectors' ministry consultation, and informed the University Leaders that the ministry has invited the rectors of state-maintained universities for further consultation. In connection with this, I was able to briefly consult with the Rector after the Senate meeting, requesting a consultation regarding doctoral training programs and doctoral benefits. The Rector was open to a later detailed report and a consultation. This is expected to take place next month. At the meeting, EHÖK President Anna Dorottya Nagy gave a presentation in connection with the procurement and execution of student events.

Senate

At the June meeting, the reports on the 2025 operations of the doctoral schools were approved, the substantive elements of which we will certainly be able to channel into the strategy-making process. The body approved the proposal regarding the establishment of the "Transdisciplinarity for Sustainability" doctoral program within the Doctoral School of Environmental Sciences. Furthermore, upon my proposal, the body also approved the 1st package of the modification of the EDÖK Statutes. The effective version is thus now available in Hungarian on the [central website of ELTE](#), as well as on [EDÖK's own website](#), English translations are also planned as a next step.

EDÖK General Assembly

At the June technical session of the General Assembly, we approved the clarification proposals sent by the Directorate of Legal Affairs and those raised within our own circles regarding the 1st package of the Modification of the Statutes.

International Freshman Camp

I initiated a consultation with Director of Legal Affairs Emília Rikker regarding the procurement order of the International Freshman Camp. The responsible chief organizer of the event will be InSINC coordinator Dr. Luca Erdei, with whom I am working closely to manage the university administrative tasks related to the preparation and execution of the camp, partly based on my experiences gained as president of TTK HÖK last year. We preliminarily expect 160 international freshmen at the camp, spanning across all training levels.

Thank you for reading my report; please feel free to contact me with any questions or remarks you may have!

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