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First of all we hope you and your loved ones are safe and we wish you all the best during these difficult times.

The COVID19 virus affects us all. Therefore this newsletter will give an update about the situation of the VSI/e. Furthermore we present the highlights of the general members meeting and you can check out the online activity that we will host.

Update about our scheduled activities

All activities up to summer are postponed due to the COVID19. This means that the VSI/e-Japie activity and the Theme Event cannot take place as scheduled before. The board is looking for possibilities to hold the Theme Event later this year. In summer we will evaluate if further actions are necessary for the program of the second half of this year.

Instead we will host an online activity: you can read all about this, further on in this newsletter.

Of course we all hope this pandemic to pass fast. In that case the program for 2020 will be reshaped. The provisional program is as follows:

Cycling Tour Maastricht - September 17

Theme Event - September
Network Workshop - October
Career Evening - November 18

Online (Pub) Quiz - May 22

This time you can even join an activity while sitting on your couch. On Friday the 22nd of May, the VSI/e will host an online (pub) quiz. In teams of 4 you can test your knowledge and compete against other alumni.

The quiz will start at 20h00 on Zoom, but you can already subscribe now via our website: <https://www.vsi-eindhoven.nl/activities>.

Career Evening - November 18

Also this year we invited some alumni to speak about their careers. This year we are very happy to announce that the speakers will be:

Yoran Zonneveld (ASML)

Aukje Doornbos (DSM - Managing Director DSM Energy Curable Solutions)

Wan Hon Chu (Long career in the food industry)

So make sure you block Wednesday evening November the 18th in your calendar.

GMM - January 31

On the 31st of January this year 29 alumni gathered at Popei on Strijp S in Eindhoven. Before the serious meeting, the board arranged a walking tour through the Strijp S neighbourhood. Two tour guides told us all about the new up and coming part of the city, which has a lot of industrial history as well.



In the evening the general members meeting really kicked off. During this meeting the financial report of 2019 was approved and the budget plan of 2020 was agreed upon. Yoran Zonneveld left the financial control committee as his term ended. He is succeeded by John Heynen.

A discussion was raised about the annual membership contribution. First of all the moment of payment will change from August to January from 2021. Also, the board noticed that quite some effort has to be put to non-automatic payments; late payments take a lot of administrative work. After a discussion with the general members meeting, there is decided that from 2021 the contribution is raised from €15,- to €20,-. A €5,- discount will be given for members paying before the 1st of February, either automatically or manually.

There was a recap of 2019, where we hosted a Brazilian percussion workshop, we held a theme event on Health Innovation, we celebrated our 5th lustrum, we had a summer BBQ, a cycling tour and the annual career evening.

Finally there were some switches in the board. Ingeborg Schreur-Piet and Job Vissers stepped down and Dannie van Osch and Harrie van de Westerlaken joined the VSI/e board. Harrie will focus his tasks on external relationships, while

Dannie will maintain the contact with TU/e and will organize activities.

After the official gathering, it was time for some drinks...

Contribution 2020

As decided in the GMM of 2019, the contribution of 2020 is €15,-. The automatic payment is planned for the end of April 2020. Of course manual transfer is possible as well.

