Proposals for updating the Faculty's Long-term Development Strategy

The current Long-term Development Strategy of the Faculty of Science, Masaryk University (Faculty) was approved in May 2021. During 2022 - 2025, the Faculty formulated annual updates as specific goals for individual years. As a dean, I would initiate an active discussion with the Academic Senate, Directors, the Scientific Board and ISAB, leading to a thorough revision and update of this key strategic document.

The main points proposed for the discussion:

Teaching and education

To streamline our communication with public and to motivate talented applicants

Develop a conceptual cooperation between institutes, sharing of rooms and capacities

Strengthen the emphasis on practical skills, multidisciplinary experience, relevance to practice

Cooperate with external partners, assigning of the student topics, entrepreneurship skills

Encourage motivated students, involve them in research and application projects

Engage students in peer-to-peer tutoring, popularization and communication of science

Support educational activities in rational use of AI in all fields

Continue to strengthen teaching in English in bachelor's and follow-up master's studies

Motivate participation in classes using hybrid classes and interactive forms of teaching

Develop a wide range of Lifelong Learning opportunities and use microcertificates

Improve the education of future teachers as ambassadors of the Faculty

Science and research, doctoral studies

Involve the Scientific Board and the ISAB in conceptual discussions and quality assessments Reflect indicators of quality and the impact of R&D results in the evaluation and budgeting Support the best scientists and teams in applying for international grants, especially ERC Create an attractive, clear and supportive environment for new international scientists Emphasize applied research and knowledge transfer to the private and public sectors Ensure mechanisms for the sustainability of previous strategic investments and new infrastructures such as Preclinical Center, EIRENE RI

Finalize reforms in doctoral studies, strengthen international standards

Organization, people and life at the Faculty

Improve the awareness of current events and planned development of the Faculty

Support the autonomy of institutes with an emphasis on the role and personalities of directors

Strengthen collaboration and sharing in research, teaching and other aspects of Faculty life

Implement the HR Award action plan with emphasis on equal opportunities and the Gender Equality Plan

Assure development of both Faculty campuses such as building children's corners, extending capacities at Kotlářská, assuring student catering and facilities on the Bohunice Campus

Adapt the budgeting rules

- to reinforce importance of current trends and data,
- to motivate cooperation between institutes in teaching and other activities,
- to support implementation of excellent international grants,
- to better reflect the quality and impact of R&D results,
- to promote the applied research and knowledge transfer.

Support the engagement in community events and association activities



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