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# PREFACE

CAREER OFFICER

Hi everyone,

First of all, thank you for taking the time to read this latest edition of the EBF Magazine!

A lot has happened in the last few weeks. First of all, we hosted our half yearly general members meeting. Two days later the 2nd edition of Women in Business took place, and the week after we had our annual party with ESN. We hosted our Business Dinner, social events from multiple MCs, and our precious Marthe Wiendels gathered votes for the gemeenteraad elections! Did you vote?

We also introduced our new cohort of Active Members during the New Active Members Dinner, and welcomed them during the March Social and Active Members Day. We were happy to see this amazing new group of active members and are looking forward to seeing them at our next events.

Furthermore, we are currently in the process of recruiting the new EBF Board, so keep an eye out for April 13 to find out who will be our successors

Best regards,

Mark den Boer

EBF Board 2025–2026

# GET TO KNOW MARK



Hi! My name is Mark and I am the Career Officer in the EBF Board of 2025-2026. I am 23 years old and grew up in Driebergen, near Utrecht. In 2020, I moved to Groningen for my studies and last year I followed a master in Change Management. I choose to do a board year to expand my network, develop myself and most importantly, to enjoy the student life to the fullest for one more year.

In my free time, I love to sail and stay active in the gym or during a run. I love hanging out with my friends and often eat together with my house. I often see my ploeg and try to celebrate national holidays with my friends from back home.

## CAREER OFFICER

As the EBF Career Officer, I am responsible for the bridge between study and career. This means I help with acquisition of business partners, but also that I organise career events and guide a few MSc Committees. I Supervise the boards of the recruitment Days and the Groningen Consulting Association and keep close contact with the FEB Career Services and MSc coördinators.

I picked this role because of the flexibility and responsibilities. I really like to balance all different tasks and take on the variety of roles.



## FUN FACT

I have had 8 kinds of pets in my life. I even brought my dog to the office for a day.

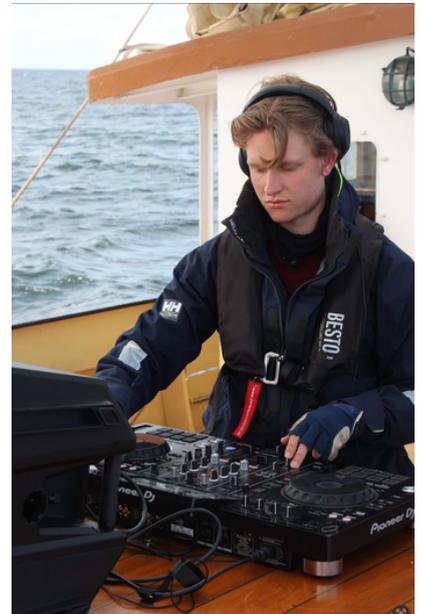
## WHAT IS MARK'S BIGGEST RED FLAG?

If I do not write something down, I'll probably forget it.

## THE EVENT MARK LOOKS FORWARD TO THE MOST

The event I am mostly looking forward to would be the EBF Festival, as it is such a large party during which we also somewhat celebrate the end of the year. By then we will have our candidate board, so having such a big party with two boards and all of our active members will for sure be amazing.

Ofcourse it is difficult to only pick one event. In two weeks I will go to Brussels with two of my master committees and I am also very much looking forward to that. Just like the batavierenrace, the candidate board training sessions and many more events.



# MARK'S HIGHLIGHTS OF THIS YEAR SO FAR



I really don't think I could pick just one. One of my biggest highlights of the year has been the EBF x JFV Christmas Ball in Palace, but I also really enjoyed the Mid-year Social, the EBF x MARUG Recruitment Days and Women in Business. Our merger with the Groningen Consulting Association has also been an amazing journey. I think it's fascinating how ambitious and intelligent the guys from their board actually are.

Women in Business is the event which I'm the most proud of, as everything went well and we heard amazing feedback from all sides. It cost me a lot of effort to organise it, but seeing it go well made it all worth it.

## WHY MARK DECIDED TO DO A BOARD YEAR

I really enjoyed the student life and wanted to extend it, but I did not like the idea of doing an extra Master. I did want to keep developing myself professionally and explore my options after studies, so saw a board life at the EBF as the perfect way to combine all of this.

## FAVORITE DRINKING GAME

Stresspong



# **MONTH SPECIAL: HOW TO MAXIMIZE ALL EBF BENEFITS**

**With being over the half of the academic year, we give you some tips to benefit from everything that EBF has to offer!**

## **JOIN THE THESIS WORKSHOP**

**EBF offers a thesis workshop, special for all students that have to write their thesis. Are you in need of some extra tips and tricks, writing your results, discussion, conclusion or anything else? Or are you struggling with some specific questions? Join the Thesis Workshop! This Thesis Workshop is meant for both Bachelor as (Pre-)Master students.**

**The workshop is held on the 15th of April at Zernike.**

## **JOIN THE IDP OR LUSTRUM COMMITTEE**

**The IDP Committee organises a 4-week trip to South Africa and the Lustrum Committee organises the next EBF Lustrum. Both committees organise one of the highlights that EBF offers. Does this sound interesting to you? Join the info meeting on the 9th of April.**

## **GO TO THE TEDXUNIVERSITYOFGRONINGEN**

**TEDxUniversityofGroningen, in collaboration with EBF, is set to host this year's TEDx event at the Forum on April 14th 2026. The theme of this years edition is "Inside Out: Understanding Growth From Mind to Planet". The theme has been carefully selected to inspire and motivate attendees, encouraging a forward-thinking mindset focused on realizing one's aspirations. The event will feature a roster of six distinguished speakers, each offering insights into the realms of growth.**

## **SIGN UP FOR THE CONSULTANCY TOUR**

**3rd year or (pre)master student? Join the Consultancy Tour! You will visit four consultancy companies at the Randstad. You will make cases, enjoy networksocials, lunches and dinners. This event is on the 22th and 23th of April and contains a night at a 4\* hotel**

## **COME TO THE OFFICE ON WAFFLE WEDNESDAY**

**On Wednesdays, you can come by the office between 12 and 2 to get a free waffle :)**

**Interested in one of these events? Check out our website!**

# WOMEN IN BUSINESS



On February 18, the EBF organised the second edition of Women in Business. The event combined an inspiring session with top female speakers and direct recruitment through an informal high wine at the Market Hotel.



The speakers were Manon Wolters (CEO Hanzevast), who was part of the first EBF Board 18 years ago; Marianne Brackel, with an impressive career at Optiver and the VVD Amsterdam; and Sakura de Vries, a recent FEB graduate now doing a traineeship at the Rijksoverheid. The day was chaired by Myrthe Smith (EBF Board 2023–2024), who also hosted the EBF Conference 2025.



With an intimate group of around 40 participants, we aimed to create a safe space for open discussion. After the individual talks, a panel discussion allowed participants to ask their questions directly.



We concluded with a high wine, where students could connect with recruiters from Deloitte, Van Oord, and the speakers themselves.

Fortunately, the Market Hotel slightly overestimated the servings, so those three glasses hit quite hard. One board member even needed an hour to find her bike afterwards: informal recruitment at its finest.

# A DAY IN THE BOARD LIFE

**Monday 16th of February**

The day started with a Board Meeting. We discussed the last details of the Women In Business event and talked about the planning and task division of the day. Another focus point in the meeting was the Half Yearly General Members Meeting. In the evening, we had this event which needed some preparation. Of course, the weeks before the event the whole board was busy preparing. During the Half Yearly General Members Meeting, the EBF Board present their accomplishments so far and talks about the policy we presented at the beginning of the Board Year. Ann presented the general policy, and Rick presented the financial policy. After some questions, we ended the evening with some drinks with everyone that joined. Afterwards, we went to the MARUG Social.

## QUOTES

Barbara: "I am going to give my brother a football shirt for his birthday"

Rick: "Which club?"

Barbara: "Scapino"

Barbara: "A few days ago my Swap did not have a bell... I felt like I lost my personality"

Annick: "I am going to drink 20 esma's and I will drink a lot of alcohol afterwards! Oh wait, that contains alcohol already"

Annick: "I don't know what to give my boyfriends dad"

Barbara: "Give him something practical, like a hedge trimmer"

Imme: "Is Cinderella the English word for princess?"

Rick: "Vegetarian chicken, if you eat that you get salmonella right?"

# RECAP FEBRUARY

On the 9th of February, the February Social took place. Since this was our Mid-Year Social, the beers were free and Bozu was only 1 euro! It was an amazing evening where many of you showed up.



On the 10th, we organised a Board Info Meeting to get to know what it is like to be the EBF Board. On the 16th, the Half-Yearly General Members meeting took place. Here, the EBF Board presented their accomplishments so far.



On the 18th, we organised Women In Business. Here, female students listened to inspiring female speakers, joined a interactive discussion panel and finished the day with a high wine.



On the 25th, we had the EBF x ESN party at Copas, organised by the International Committee! On the 27th, IE&SD had an alumni event!



# UPCOMING EVENTS

**2 APRIL: WELLBEING EVENT - SIP & PAINT**

**9 APRIL: (PRE)MASTER CHANGE INHOUSE TOUR**

**IDP & LUSTRUM COMMITTEE INFO MEETING**

**13 APRIL: APRIL SOCIAL**

**14 APRIL: TEDXUNIVERSITYOFGRONINGEN**

**15 APRIL: BRUSSELS TRIP IE&SD/ECONOMICS**

**15 APRIL: THESIS WORKSHOP**

**15 APRIL: INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITY - POOLING**

**19 APRIL: DEADLINE IDP & LUSTRUM COMMITTEE APPLICATIONS**

**20 APRIL: SMARTEST MEMBER CONTEST**

**22 APRIL: CONSULTANCY TOUR**

**30 APRIL: BEDRIJFSKUNDE B&M BORRELBOOT**

# CLOSING WORDS

Thank you all for reading this month's magazine. I hope you enjoyed our past events as much as I did and hope to see you on our upcoming ones. We are very happy to see so many of you enjoy our events and help us in the organisation. See you at our next events!

Kind regards,

Mark den Boer

