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Bericht für die 1. ordentliche Sitzung im Wintersemester 2025 der Universitätsvertretung der HTU Graz am 15.10.2025

Referat für Austauschstudierende

New Head of the Department and Board

As of July 2025, a new board started its mandate. Daria Shabatska is now the new Head of the Department for Exchange Students.

Events:

We have successfully organized **twelve events** together with ESN Uni Graz so far. Among the organized events were city tours, yoga, hikes, a trip to Italy, Buschenschank and others. We also organized a successful Sturmstand and a trip to Italy. In addition, our regulars' table continues to take place weekly. In the coming weeks, we have various events planned including skiing, opera, thermal baths and more.

Welcome Presentations:

We held a presentation twice at the International Welcome Days of the International Office with a presentation followed by ESNcard sales, and everything went very smoothly.

Buddy Program:

This semester 16 local TU buddies are involved in the buddy system, supporting a total of 25 exchange students. The Intercultural Awareness Session was once again held by the International Office for all buddies.

Office Hours:

Office hours will continue to be held every Wednesday, during which exchange students can receive personal advice and register for events. In addition, they can purchase ESNcards, which entitles them to discounts at our events and at various local partners in Graz and around the world

Future Direction:

In the next semester, we plan to improve onboarding for new members and strengthen the motivation of our current team. Internal team events such as a hut weekend and a Zotter + Therme event are already being planned. We are also introducing an internal buddy system to support onboarding and organizing workshops for new members on event management and use of our internal event system. Additionally, we aim to involve more members as mains during office hours.

Daria Shabatska – Referentin für Austauschstudierende

