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Context / Reason
<p>On December 15, 2020 the Executive Board took an intended decision to sign the attached Framework Agreement between TU Delft, EUR and Erasmus MC (appendix 1). After the Decision-in-principle and the Declaration of Intent, this is a new step within the Convergence cooperation.</p> <p>It is important to know that the final decision-making lies with the three boards. This means that the employee participation remains with the employee participation bodies of the three institutions, even after signing this Framework Agreement.</p>

Jurisdiction UC / Question to the UC
We would like to receive your advice.

Short Summary
Parties make further overarching agreements for the cooperation by means of present Framework Agreement. New elements within this agreement compared to the Declaration of Intent are the proposed Governance, the establishment of a staff office, the establishment of a convergence fund and the agreement to have finished the partial agreements for the three themes by mid-2021 by the latest.

Follow-up process
Appendix 2, The English version, will be sent to the University Council before the end of this week.
The Framework Agreement will be discussed between the Steering committee Convergence and the representative advisory bodies of the three institutions. This consultation will be scheduled for January 2021.

Specifics
To give shape to the collaboration between EUR, TU Delft and Erasmus MC, the three separate institutions took an intended Decision-in-principle on December 16, 2019 ("Principebesluit). As a follow-up to the Decision-in-principle parties signed a Declaration of Intent on July 8, 2020 ("Intentieovereenkomst"). After signing the Declaration of Intent parties have continued the substantive elaboration of the cooperation. This substantive elaboration is laid down in this Framework Agreement ("Raamovereenkomst").

The Dutch version of the “Raamovereenkomst” is leading. The English version is only a translation of this major version.

**Documents to be attached**

Appendix 1 - Concept Raamovereenkomst EUR - TU Delft - Erasmus MC

Appendix 2 – Concept Framework Agreement EUR – TU Delft – Erasmus MC