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Context / Reason
<p>The Executive Board annually sets the following tuition fees:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>The institutional tuition fees for students who do not meet the degree or nationality requirement for the statutory tuition fee (WHW Art. 7.46 section 2);</li><li>The rate of the increased statutory tuition fee for study programmes with the special characteristic of small-scale and intensive education (WHW Art. 6.7 Sections 1 and 2). At EUR, this applies to EUC;</li><li>The fee for the premaster programs (WHW Art. 7.57i). These fees are based on the statutory fee and will therefore be determined once OCW has determined the statutory fees for 2024-25.</li></ol> <p>On 20 April 2023, the CvB decided to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>Increase institution fees for 2024-25 by 4.8%, following the price trend of the statutory fee.</li><li>Increase EUC's increased statutory rate for 2024-25 by 4.8%, following the price trend of the statutory rate.</li></ol>

Jurisdiction UC / Question to the UC
The UC has the right to advice on the institutional fees for all public funded programmes (WHW 9.33a, sub b).

Short Summary
<p><b>Previous decision-making</b></p> <p>The Institutional Fee Committee (IFC) annually advises on institutional fees. Last year, they did so for the first time, namely for the 2023-24 fees. In doing so, they not only looked at inflation, which is the basis of the statutory fee increase, but they also took an (inter)national comparison with related study programmes into account. In addition, institutional fees were clustered, more than they were before. The effect was a higher increase in fees for non-EEA students for most programmes, including a so-called transitional arrangement. This prevented re-enrolling students from being surprised with a higher-than-expected fee. The university council advised positively on the proposed institutional fees 2023-24, advising that the possibility of extending the policy on waivers/scholarships for non-EEA students should be investigated. The IFC took the above into account when advising on the 2024-25 fees.</p>

### Institutional fees 2024-25

The CvB adopted the recommendations of the IFC regarding the level of the institution fees 2024-25 (appendix 2). This means that the fees will all increase by 4.8% next year, and we will thus follow the increase in the statutory rate N-1. Since last year's increase already resulted in a better market position for EUR and positive results were achieved by clustering the fee rates, the IFC now proposed to look only at the inflation rate for 2024-25. The increase will be relatively high, but it prepares us for potentially rising costs and secures our market position. In the meantime, the IFC will analyze possible changes in student intake once these figures are available. Appendix 1 provides further details, including how the inflation rate was calculated last year by OCW. Appendix 2 shows the fees for 2024-25.

As agreed last year, the IFC has explored ways in which additional funds could be used as tuition fees scholarships for students with a lower socio-economic background. A survey was conducted among the vice-deans to find out what opportunities they see for expanding such waivers and/or scholarships. Overall, this created a positive picture, leading the IFC to recommend expanding two existing waivers/scholarships, namely the Erasmus University Holland Scholarship scholarship and the Erasmus Trust Fund Scholarship. This means an investment from faculties based on the number of non-EEA students enrolled and 1 additional scholarship from the Erasmus Trust Fund. The Trust Fund is positive about this initiative and is exploring whether it can be supported by private sponsors. See appendix 3 (ppt) for details and below for the faculty responses to these recommendations.

School	Proposed fees 24-25	Proposed increase EUHS and Trust fund scholarship
ESSB	Approved	Approved
EMC	Approved	Approved
ESL	Approved	Approved
ESHPM	Approved	Approved
RSM	Approved	Approved
ESE	Approved	No intentions to provide more tuition fee waivers for non-EEA students. ESE already has a generous waiver policy in place.
ESPHIL	Approved	10% increase HSP approved, but no extra Trust Fund scholarship (limited budget in combination with only a few non-EEA students)
ESHCC	Approved	Approved, but implementation 1 year later (due to prolonging transitional arrangement)

### Follow-up process

1. The University Council gives formal advice.
2. The new rates will be communicated to the students via the website.
3. Relevant faculties, departments and support staff will be informed.
4. Enrollment systems will be updated.

### Specifics

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### Documents to be attached

Appendix 1 - Advice Institutional Fee Committee

Appendix 2 – Institutional fees 2024-2025  
Appendix 3 - Advice on extension of waivers (ppt)