

Dear delegates and KTU SA community,

I am Augustinas Laimonas Bytautas, 4th course New Media Language student and the current president of KTU SA. In this letter I intend to share my motives for running for a second term.

First of all, I feel like my job here is not yet finished. During my first term I succeeded in accomplishing quite a few developments in both the organizational and financial management, a great deal of my efforts were put in making the organization's activity structurally efficient and logical. Even though most of my aims were attained, I cannot declare that "achieved" are equal to "set in stone" and "will continue working". I believe that as the creator and initiator of some structural processes, I would be a suitable executive.

Secondly, I have this vision of a western student's association, which, I truly believe, our organization can achieve, and that is exactly the direction I would like to go in. Admittedly, not even a second term could be enough, but a cultural foundation can go a long way. During my presidency I had the privilege and pleasure of delving into foreign practices, network with people from different countries, and, after all is said and done, I thoroughly admire their systems: the self-governing student's bodies control and administer every single thing that is in any way related to student affairs. Professional and paid work in Nottingham, full administration of sport matters in Aveiro, an immense political importance in the local municipality and local politics in general in Stavanger, and, of course, examples constantly mentioned by our Alumni - student's associations managing dormitories, various shops and even bars. A student's association is such an essential and substantial part of the university, that without it the university would just collapse and grind to a halt. I hope I am not the only one that sees this potential in our organization, not the only one with the eagerness to try to achieve this and not the only one to understand what steps we need to take to make this dream a reality.

Thirdly, I am running with a more global view on everything. During my term I concentrated mostly into the organization's inner processes and systems, their development. I believe that we can use the current position of our organization and the acquired sphere of influence for broader work: rally the presidents of Kaunas student associations and present the municipality with a proposal of establishing a new advisory organ; create projects regarding students' psychological health and present them to the corresponding ministries; possibly even work with KTU to finally launch a KTU app, with all the student-centered information, services and leisure activity functions managed by KTU SA (apart from the academical timetable and module marks).

These are the three motives that I present to you, so that you would take my candidacy into account.

For students and for the student movement!
- Augustinas Laimonas Bytautas