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## **Introductory note**

"Building the Now", the motto of a movement that has in its genesis an enormous sense of responsibility and commitment, essential for the continued good functioning of the Students Union of the University of Aveiro. This project also has renewal and representativeness as its starting point experience, essential for the success of any student association.

The movement is based on several fundamental pillars, of which we highlight as a priority the work in favour of an institution which is increasingly future-oriented, innovative, and closer to all the students, but also to the Aveiro region. It is fundamental to highlight the work in digital transformation for the pursuit of a consistent institution in the present, prepared for the future. The training and bringing-together of the whole AAUA v Structure are a key piece for an interconnected and prepared student community. It is important to highlight above all the relationship that needs to be stimulated with students so that we can converge interests, enhance activities and positioning in function of a common objective.

At the same time, we will take into consideration the discussion of a plural, multicultural Higher Education, of free access to the entire national and international community, always claiming the best for all. However, after the long work done over the last years in the Institution, we can now affirm that great projects may have the necessary freedom to emerge, such as a University Radio that will have all the potential to become one of the main media in the Region, but also the bet in the future of what is university sport through the creation of a Sports Club, as well as spaces dedicated only to E-sports practice and competition.

We will try to respond to all the challenges that are inherent to the responsibility of running a growing AAUA v, through the introduction of new dynamics, new concerns, and the adjustment of positions. We highlight the renewal of the AAUA v brand and its approach to the Region, whether through its image and communication, or through the potential of a physical space located in the centre of the city of Aveiro.

The multidisciplinary profile of the members of the candidate movement, as well as the uniqueness of our project, allows us to say that we are a team able to cover all areas of action and activity of and for our Academy.

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## Build Project Now

On June 28<sup>th</sup> 1978, the Students' Association of the University of Aveiro was founded and later became the Students Union of the University of Aveiro (AAUAv), a name we recognise today and that represents the almost 17 000 students of the University of Aveiro. Throughout its existence the institution has always sought to meet the growing needs of students in the most diverse areas of Higher Education.

The Presidency of AAUAv Management should, in our view, understand the functioning of the institution as well as the academic and social environment in which it operates. On this basis, it should bring together students who will enhance AAUAv through their experience and irreverence in order to create and train a multidisciplinary and multicultural team that will enhance the value of the institution.

Thus, the candidates to the Presidency of AAUAv Management, representing the *Building the Now* movement, have a vast experience within the AAUAv Structure, which becomes vital for the management of the institution, as well as of the whole team that works tirelessly on its behalf. In addition to dimensions such as local and national representation, management/capacity building of the team, enhancement of resources, development of future projects that allow the strengthening of the structure, as well as the brand in the region and country, are and will always be objectives.

Based on these assumptions, here follow some of our goals, crucial to the development of the Students Union of the University of Aveiro:

- To work strategies for the inclusion of all students in the Academy and ensure their well-being, regardless of gender, race, sexual orientation, social values in which they believe, among others;
- To stimulate discussion in the Academy about important issues in Higher Education, such as the price and conditions of housing or social action;
- To discuss and develop the necessary conditions for students to be able to continue playing sports, together with the Rectorate and SASUA
- To foster moments of entrepreneurship and participation for the Academic Community;
- To carry out Enterro'22, three years after its last edition, giving it new values and dynamics, working to make it more sustainable and inclusive;
- To strengthen the relationship between the various Academies in the country, seeking a wider discussion of Higher Education, as well as the creation of more plural projects;
- To foster AAUAv's active positioning in Higher Education discussion forums, namely in the National Meetings of Student Associations;
- To affirm the work developed in the reformulation of the institution's cultural strategy, mainly in the way it is shown to students and to the Region;

- Foster the associative spirit in UA, increasing the spaces for discussion and training moments for the AAUAv Structure;
- To develop a network of solid partners and consequently, services and funding.
- To work strategies that make AAUAv more independent from public funding;
- To foster the growth and potential of sports in UA and the Region, through the organization of the World Cross-Country Championship'22, as well as through the creation of a Sports Club;
- To work towards a strong Academy, focusing on the promotion of its well-being;
- To encourage the development of sustainable and innovative practices that impact the students' daily life;
- To create a University Radio, in order to have within our University one of the main means of communication in the Region.

## **Build Educational Policy, Entrepreneurship, Internationalisation Now**

The main and most important purpose of any Student Association should be to represent and defend the interests of all Students. In this sense, the Building the Now movement believes that AAUAv should open the way for the Students of the University of Aveiro, with the intention of ensuring that their academic path is rich, fruitful and adequate to the needs of each one, always keeping in view the goal of enhancing the best civic, academic and professional training for our students. Alongside all the work of student defence and representation, student entrepreneurship should also be worked on, and the community as a whole should be encouraged to be a little more entrepreneurial. Only in this way will we be able to evolve as a society and be more complete as future professionals. The work in internationalisation is also crucial. In a university where more than 90 nationalities coexist, working on the inclusion of all and taking advantage of cultural diversity is undoubtedly a milestone that we want to work on.

Thus, the sector proposes to:

### **Entrepreneurship**

- Expand the 5.0 University Concept, broadening it in its diversity of action, as well as scientific areas that are until now little worked on;
- Continuing the organization of the Job Fairs
- Entrepreneurship Bootcamp, in order to discuss and train the student community;
- Preparation of the Candidature to a Professional Insertion Office;
- Creation of a physical space for University 5.0 to bring the project closer to the community and give it more dignity
- Celebration of the Youth Associations Day.

### **Internationalisation**

- Support and follow-up the Pedagogical Integration of International Students;
- Support in the learning of Portuguese Language for International Students, through the project Study Support
- Continuation of the constant collaboration with the various student structures representing international students of UA
- Celebration of important events to the International communities.

### **Educational Policy**

- Discussing the financing of Higher Education Institutions;
- Discuss the restructuring of Higher Education, valuing students in this discussion;
- Claim for a reinforcement of the Direct and Indirect Social Action
- Battle against the lack of university housing;

- Work for the revision of the Legal Regulation of Higher Education Institutions;
- Maintaining Institutional representation and participation in the Student Associative Movement;
- Creation of a Study Centre in order to give dignity and greater credibility to the various AAUAv documents;
- Creation of spaces to discuss matters of interest to students;
- Promoting students' active participation in the Residents' Forum;
- Developing studies that focus on the everyday problems of the Academic community;
- Continuation of the work in the initiative "Inclui-te"



## **Build Structure Now**

The Structure of the Students Union of the University of Aveiro is characterized by its permanent renovation and the interaction of the Nuclei-AAUAv with the student community and the Management itself, require extra attention. In this way, the Nuclei Support Sector of the Construir o Agora Movement declares itself as essential support to the capacitation e accompaniment of the entire Associative Structure. The investment on its training will allow us to develop better conditions for students, in various areas, especially since associative leaders with better preparation offer better opportunities to those they represent.

Therefore, the sector proposes to:

- Carry out two Forma-te@AAUAv and one Fórum@AAUAv moment, as to capacitate AAUAv entire structure;
- In and outside of the Forma-te@AAUAv moments, promote training for the Coordinations and General Meeting Board of the Nuclei-AAUAv, with especial emphasis in financial management, AAUAv platforms, external negotiation and training for the main sectors of the nuclei, and encourage training given by external members to the Structure and the Nuclei themselves;
- Develop and make available the AAUAv Academy platform, such as a complementary and antecedent platform, with key content for the coordinations of the Nuclei;
- Review and adapt all the Nuclei regulation, as to increasingly approximate it to the Structure' s necessities;
- Looking ahead to the possibility of the creation of Departmental Nuclei, adjust Nuclei Regulations, according to their specific characteristics;
- Continuously improve the CN-AAUAv, so that these will meet the necessities of the associative leaders, including topics suggested by the coordinations;
- Accompany the creation of the Plan of Activities and Budget (PAO), promoting synergies between Nuclei that are planning similar initiatives, and assessing difficulties in the process of PAO and the Annual Bills Report;
- Reevaluate the financial processes of the Nuclei, working on its continuous improvement;
- Visit the headquarters of all the Nuclei-AAUAv, assess their realities and biggest challenges, and the conditions of the space;
- Resume annual attribution of awards to the Nuclei-AAUAv, relative to their annual activity;
- Accompany the nuclei in their events, necessities and conditions and incentivate their participation in UA and AAUAv events;
- Work in the involvement of the Nuclei in the Education practices at UA - revindication of the Nuclei with the Course Commissions;
- Develop an effective and efficient Internal communication;

- Ensure the sustainability of the Structure in the multiple topics which concern sustainability;
- Value the historical path of the Structure, from a collective and individual point of view;
- Internally publicize the Nuclei' s activity agenda;
- Reinforce the Associative Project, facilitating the Student-Nucleus-AAUAv connection;
- Incentivize the continuity and reactivation of inactive Nuclei;
- Reformulate the Annual Training Plan, boosting it continuously and approximating to the Nuclei' s necessities;
- Promote the active discussion by Nuclei, regarding the Institution' s strategy.

## **Build Internal Administration Now**

The Students Union of the University of Aveiro has been increasingly nourishing its relations, becoming, nowadays, a fundamental pillar in the enrichment of the academic life of all students from Aveiro. The gradual growth of this structure entails a complex internal organization, so Efficiency and Effectiveness are key words when it comes to the implementation of ideas and decisions when managing goods and spaces.

Thus, the sector proposes:

### **Collaborators Network**

- Reinventing the reward system for employees by implementing thresholds in the distribution of rewards;
- Creating a platform for managing AAUAv collaborators in order to make their distribution more effective when attending events;
- Autonomise the process of selecting the collaborators availability for events;
- Creating a database of independent cultural groups;

### **Student House**

- Continuing redefining the concept "Student House", giving it more valences;
- Requalifying the spaces in the Student House, namely, the creation of recreational and educational spaces provided by our sponsors and the introduction of a new 24h space for students to study.

### **AAUAv Assets**

- Reinventing and redefining the strategy of selling consumable goods as well as renting AAUAv goods

### **Fleet**

- Redefining strategies to requalify the AAUAv fleet

### **Academic events**

- Reorganising the structure of major events such as the "Grande Arraial Académico", Welcoming Programme, "Enterro", among others.

### **AAUAv Play**

- Continuously improving the AAUAv Play platform, facilitating the institution's internal administrative processes

### **Regulations**

- Reviewing, on a continuous basis, the regulations of the Students Union of the University of Aveiro

### **Student Bar**

- Reinforcing the continuous evolution of the Student Bar, improving it in order to offer the best service
- Trying to offer meals which accommodate the students' tastes, and trying, whenever necessary, to provide a service for those who have food restrictions
- Carrying out maintenance of the space so that it, throughout the year, is preserved and can offer the best quality

### **Shops in the Catacombs**

- Responding to all needs regarding merchandising, communicating permanently with the Catacombs shop
- Creating a space of free expression for all students
- Boost the copy centre to meet student needs

### **Digital Transformation**

- Boosting the institution's WebApp, using it in all cultural moments as well as for AAUAv's services.

### **AAUAv's History**

- Studying the history of AAUAv, recording its more than 40 years.

### **Presentation protocol**

- Developing a protocol of presentation for the institution, in order to create a worthy document to bring the institution closer to its partners.

## **Buils Sport & Wellness Now**

The “Construir o Agora” movement intends to have as its present points throughout the 2022 term the work in Wellness, whether physical or mental, as well as the promotion of Sport, committing to diversify its offer and approaches to it, so that students have access to specific and targeted opportunities.

Thus, the sector proposes to:

### **Within the scope of the UA Cup:**

- Simplify the athlete registration process;
- Review internal regulations, in order to meet their needs;
- Direct support to the Nuclei throughout the entire competition;
- Make competition safer, empowering elements of the organization;
- Referee training for students, giving them skills and guaranteeing the quality of the competition;
- Develop a digital platform that contains the games, results and winners;
- Reinforce the image of the UA Cup, and create a mascot to make the competition more popular;
- Restructure the opening ceremony, giving it new features and enhancing it.

### **Within the scope of the CNU's:**

- Announce the moment of try-outs to attract athletes, so that the UA teams are increasingly capable and plural;
- Value athletes, through the various moments of communication;
- Create a sporting ceremony in order to value the athletes who will compete in the Final Stages of University Sport.

### **In the context of Wellness:**

- Demonstrations on how to achieve a healthier lifestyle, both physically and mentally;
- Promote Wellness inside and outside the university, through workshops, consultation, among others.
- Promote the Academic Week's day activities, reminding that the week is not limited to concert nights;
- Support the Project “Nova Nave” in the sports pavilion;
- Raise awareness of the reality experienced in adapted sports and value the sports practiced.
- Create Inter-polytechnic, Inter-residence and Inter-department championships;
- Disseminate and apply to national and international sports competitions;
- Organize the Sport Gala;
- Create an E-Sports Room, increasing the value of this competition;

- Create the Sports Club, together with the UA, in order to promote the talent of our students, as well as the region.

## **Build Culture Now**

Culture is complex.

Culture is progress and adaptation.

Culture is art, tradition, but also innovation.

It is diversity and individuality, but above all, inclusion.

Culture is information and knowledge.

“And everything that is culture is movement”.

Thus, the sector proposes to:

- Streamline the cultural Agenda, a plural agenda that aims to cover all UA students;
- Promote daytime dynamization of the Student's House through cultural and leisure moments promoted by students, as well as through innovation in the night-time concept;
- Boosting the dynamization of the Stage Room, transforming it in a space to host concerts by emerging and nationally quoted artists;
- Provide a space for debate and reflection, comfortable and in a cozy environment through the Living Room Sessions;
- Streamline the Dr.Why Cup competition, involving all UA Course Nuclei.
- Conduct CoMA and CoDJ's, involving the participants in events open to students;
- Promote events that represent the International Cultures present at the UA, providing an opportunity for their presentation, as well as for enriching the knowledge of the entire community;
- Include the artistic projects of UA students in cultural events held at the Academy and in the city, such as CRESCENTE UA, as a way of promotion and support for our students;
- Hold the Enterro'22, promoting greater musical diversity through suggestions given by the Students and stimulating cultural activities during the afternoons the week's afternoons;
- Promote the Cultural dynamization of the UA Campus and Inter Campi Interaction;
- Promote the holding of Vouguinha do Caloiro in one of the Campi;
- Promote the promotion of cultural events with other Academies, in order to unite students from various cities;
- Support and collaborate in the projects of the AAUAv's Sectorial nuclei, through the consultation and discussion of their needs and visions;
- Carry out a Transmission Cycle of Cinematographic Productions;
- Boost the closeness to the city, including the city's cultural spaces in events;
- Promote access to contemporary political, cultural and artistic discourse;

- Create and implement the University Radio, together with the UA;
- Promote a partnership between the 3 of the Region's Cultural Agents - 23 Miles, Teatro Aveirense and GrETUA;
- Streamlining of Integration.



## **Build Communication and Image Now**

Communication assumes a fundamental role as an aggregating element, contributing to shortening distances among the members of the academic community of the University of Aveiro.

In this sense, to build Communication, AAUA v will have to potentiate all the resources and tools which it has at its reach and to bet on the mediatization of its activities with the aim of profiting and giving projection also to its partners.

In this way, the sector proposes to:

- Dynamising the digital platforms in an interconnected way, maintaining an organised communication and easy access to the community;
- Maintaining an informal and proximity communication whenever possible, in order to connect the institution to the current reality;
- Ensuring transparency and inclusiveness in disclosure.
- To create a space dedicated to Mental Health in the Institution's communication means;
- Implementing graphic mechanisms which identify activities and/or sectors in communication;
- Creating the AAUA v IGTV project and enrich it with content from the most diverse forums;
- Promoting environmental responsibility through awareness-raising actions, as well as in the intrinsic form of communication;
- Boosting the use of the WebApp and constantly improve it throughout the mandate;
- Boosting the Mupis present in the AAUA v spaces, with content from the Institution;
- To boost the rebranding of the brand "Aveiro é Nosso", betting on its rejuvenation and approaching the communication of the region;
- To continue the implementation of the Institution's new identity;
- To establish relations with the media, both locally and nationally, in order to extend the institution's reach;
- To assure the transmission of the Final Stages of University Sport, so that all students can follow the path of our athletes;
- To foment artistic creations of the UA students, so that these creations can later serve as a brand or symbol of the students from Aveiro;
- To stimulate the creation of a Student Identity in the city.

## **Build *Aveiro é Nosso* Now**

The “Aveiro é Nosso” sector concentrates several practices that aim to promote a closer relationship between the student community and the region of Aveiro, encouraging social innovation and the development of socially responsible practices on the part of the student to promote civic participation in the Academy. In its initiatives, the social dimension will prevail, then extending it to other aspects such as: sporting, cultural and commercial matters, promoting the incorporation of students into the community of Aveiro.

This way, our sector proposes to:

- Continue the Dinneln initiative, expanding its scope of action and target audience, reaching the entire community and responding to various needs;
- Continue the Study Support project, enhancing the face-to-face aspect of it which is essential for better monitoring;
- Promote a fair for local producers on the main avenue of the Campus, bringing the region's community closer to the student community;
- Explore the “Aveiro é Nosso” centre, together with the UA corps, making this a volunteer center in the region;
- Organize the “Aveiro é Nosso” Festival, only with artists from the region and students from the UA;
- Organize various sporting events, including solidarity walks and sporting tournaments throughout the Aveiro Region;
- Promote greater proximity to UA Municipal Councils, ensuring a greater presence of the Academic Association in the city;
- Promote Sustainability at the UA Campi and Aveiro Region;
- Measure the AAUA's Annual Ecological Footprint, carrying out initiatives that try to progressively reverse and reduce the institution's footprint;
- Organize a summit on climate change.

## **Build General Assembly Board Now**

The General Assembly Board of Students is the highest deliberative body of the Students Union of the University of Aveiro. Comprising five elements elected by student suffrage, it is up to them to convene and direct the General Student Assemblies (Assembleias Gerais de Alunos, AGA), swearing in the governing bodies of the Students Union of the University of Aveiro, accompany its functioning and assure the electoral processes within the structure, respecting all the principles of democracy, independence and representation expressed in the statutes by which it is governed.

Therefore, the candidates to the governing bodies of the General Assembly Board for the Build the Now movement, propose to:

- Fulfill and enforce the Statutes of the Students Union of the University of Aveiro and its regulation, directing the General Student Assemblies in a transparent and impartial manner;
- Hold General Student Assemblies, whenever they are necessary, and promote the participation of students;
- Improve the communication of the notices for General Student Assemblies and render them appealing;
- Fulfill and enforce the Electoral Regulations and manage transparently and impartially all the electoral processes ensured by the Electoral Commission, composed by elements of the Board;
- Effectively train the members of the General Meeting Boards of the Nuclei of the Students Union of the University of Aveiro;
- Support, whenever necessary, the governing bodies of the Students Union and Nuclei.

## **Build Fiscal and Jurisdiction Council Now**

The Fiscal and Jurisdiction Council (CFJ) is a governing body belonging to the Students Union of the University of Aveiro, responsible for supervising all financial and management elements.

The candidates to the CFJ of the Build the Now movement commit to reinforce the activity on the fiscal surveillance of the administration, ran by AAUAv and respective Nuclei, verify the Plans of Activities and Budget (PAOs) proposed by AAUAv and its Nuclei, issuing a reasoned opinion, verify the Annual Bills Report (RACs) elaborated by AAUAv and the Nuclei, issuing a reasoned opinion, proposing the application of sanctions in the terms of the Statutes and Regulations of AAUAv in effect, be directly represented in the General Assembly and assure any further competences which are legally determined.

As a key activity, within our manifesto, we propose training integrated in Formate@AAUAv organized by the Nuclei Support sector, so that it is easier for Nuclei to elaborate PAOs and RACs. This activity's goal is the harmonization of PAOs and RACs, helping in the interpretation made by CFJ since they will all be written based on the standardized filling method presented by the body.