

# Election program of the coalition JinoVIZE2020 (IPS and ISS)

For elections to the Academic Senate of FSS CU 2020



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## **COVID-19 as an opportunity aka we can do it!**

- **Pandemics does not only have to be a threat, it may also be an opportunity: for the university, our faculty, and its study programs**
- **We will push for digitalization in areas that allow it, and for an increase in efficiency in how things are run at the moment. The long-awaited launch of the digital circulation of internal documents is a way to start!**
- **Before launching new measures, their efficiency needs to be tested first**
- **It is crucial to allow for the sharing of information among different sections of the administration**
- **We should learn from what worked during the state of emergency!**
- **Let us continue with online registration of students into international study programs**

## **Studies for the 21<sup>st</sup> century ... do not be afraid of changes!**

- **State exams as the dignified end of studies, not stress**
  - We will initiate discussions on the form of the final state exams
  - We will encourage making use of good practice from within Faculty (IES) and from abroad – we should combine more challenging studies with a defense of the final thesis only
- **Foreign languages for everyone**
  - We will seek (alongside the good practice set by IPS) possibilities to increase the offer of foreign languages among the institutes
  - Due to the nature of the study programs at the Faculty, a sufficiently large portfolio of beginner language courses is crucial for the relevance of the studies in the 21<sup>st</sup> century
- **Enhance the quality of full-time and online studies**
  - Think of, prepare, and reflect on the courses and their evaluation along with the needs of the students
  - Strengthen the educational skills of the lecturers
  - Feedback as a vital tool for lecturers and students
  - Increase participation of international experts, including via online course

## **Administration for the academic community, not the other way around**

- **We want to study and work at a faculty that cares about our needs and opinions**
  - Friendly and open administration that facilitates studies and work, not the other way around
  - An indispensable part of faculty's regulations is their explanation to the academic community
  - Supportive and informative tools to aid students and lecturers instead of (sole) regulations and restrictions
- **We want to support joint activities of students from different institutes, expert collaboration, and exchange of experiences across the Faculty**
- **Full-fledged inclusion of international students and lecturers into the life of the Faculty**
  - All relevant information must be also in English, including the utilization of different platforms to communicate with international students
- **We will support students with special needs and their lecturers**

## **Jinonice as a place where we feel well**

- **We will do everything we can to save the university canteen**
  - We will actively seek a way to keep the university canteen, as the project does not think of a canteen in the new Jinonice campus
- **All institutes at one place**
  - Integration of the Faculty in one building in Jinonice to enhance the social networking of students and to build a common identity. The core of our education should be in a building that is genuinely ours (the university administers the Hollar and Opletalova buildings, not the Faculty)
- **Study department where we study**
  - We support the Dean's intent to move part of the administration, especially the Study Department, to the Jinonice building
- **High-quality facilities for lecturers and students alike**
  - Possibility to get involved in the realization of the "Jinoprojekt" in the maximal possible way

## **We want to be visible ... all of us and for a good purpose**

- **We need to better explain the societal value of social sciences**
  - Focus on the promotion of our academicians and students
  - Contribute to the popularization of our institutes among high-school students and the public
- **We will push for the strengthening of communication with potential applicants**
  - Support meaningful promotion of the Faculty among potential applicants from the Czech Republic and abroad
  - Strengthen communication with international institutions to set up joint study programs, research projects, or recruit new students
- **Work on quality PR and further develop it**
  - We promote an equal focus on all the institutes